



# SEPTEMBER 11 - 15, 2023

Monday Sep 11	Tuesday Sep 12	Wednesday Sep 13	Thursday Sep 14	Friday Sep 15
Day 2	Day 1	Day 2 (Collab)	Day 1	Day 2
Regular Bell Schedule & Flex Time Begins		Staff Collaboration Time 8:30-9:50am  Classes Begin at 9:55am		<b>Rosh Hashana</b> Judaism Sep 15-17

Sep 10-16: Mennonite Heritage Week

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

#### **First Week – Thank You!**

The entire McNair staff would like to thank our McNair families for your patience as we work through all the details of school start-up and finalizing student schedules and programs. It has been wonderful seeing all our students back in the building and we look forward to reconnecting with parents and caregivers at the upcoming Meet the Teacher Night on September 21. Please watch your email for more information.

#### **Flex Time Begins Monday**

This week we will begin our scheduled Flex Time after Block A. For this week, to help establish structure and expectations, we are asking that all staff and students follow the schedule below. Students on a study block can report to the library for Flex Time.

- Monday** All Students in Block A Classes for Flex
- Tuesday** All Students in Block B Classes for Flex
- Wednesday** *Collaboration Day – No Flex*
- Thursday** All Students in Block C Classes for Flex
- Thursday** All Students in Block D Classes for Flex

Flex time is a “golden opportunity” for students to learn about and work on a topic of their choice. School staff are available in classrooms and students are expected to [go online to sign up](#) for the class of their choosing prior to the start of each day’s Flex Time. On an ongoing basis (sign up will be available throughout the year for the current and next weeks). Students will be introduced to this system at the beginning of Monday’s Flex Time.

#### **Rosh Hashana (Judaism – Sep 15-17)**

Beginning at sunset, Rosh Hashana celebrates the Jewish New Year and marks the beginning of the 10 Days of Awe leading up to Yom Kippur.

### DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Sep 19 *Ganesh Chaturthi (Hinduism)*
- Sep 20-21 *Grade 8 Connections Days*
- Sep 21 *Meet the Teacher Night*
- Sep 22** **Pro-D Day (school closed)**
- Sep 23 *International Day of Sign Languages*
- Sep 24 *Kol Nidrei (Judaism)*
- Sep 24-30 *Int’l Week of the Dead People*  
*Gender Equity Week*
- Sep 25 *Yom Kippur (Judaism)*
- Sep 26 *Mawlid-al-Nabi (Islam)*
- Sep 27 *School Photos*
- Sep 28 *Grad Boat Cruise*
- Sep 29 *Sukkot (Judaism – Sep 29-Oct 6)*  
*Orange Shirt Day*
- Sep 30** **National Day for Truth and Reconciliation**
- Oct 2** **School Closed in lieu of Sept. 30**

### Bell Schedule

<i>Regular Day</i>	<i>Start</i>	<i>End</i>
<b>Block A</b>	8:30am	9:40am
Flex Time	9:45am	10:20am
<b>Block B</b>	10:25am	11:35am
Break	11:35am	11:50am
<b>Block C</b>	11:55am	1:05pm
Lunch	1:05pm	1:45pm
<b>Block D</b>	1:50pm	3:00pm
<i>Collab Day</i>	<i>Start</i>	<i>End</i>
<b>Collab</b>	8:30am	9:50am
<b>Block A</b>	9:55am	10:55am
<b>Block B</b>	11:00am	12:00pm
Break	12:00pm	12:15pm
<b>Block C</b>	12:20pm	1:20pm
Lunch	1:20pm	1:55pm
<b>Block D</b>	2:00pm	3:00pm

Please Note: Printed bell schedules distributed on the first day show an incorrect start time for Collaboration Days. The corrected schedule is listed here.

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