THE MCNAIR WAAG

November 23 – November 27, 2026

Monday Nov 23	Tuesday Nov 24	Wednesday Nov 25	Thursday Nov 26	Friday Nov 27
Day 1 **Block A** 8:30 9:51 **Block B** 9:54 11:15 **Break** 11:15 11:25 **Block C** 11:30 12:51 **Lunch** 12:51 1:36 **Block D** 1:39 3:00 **Vaccination Clinic** Grade 9 Immunization @11:30am	**Day 2** **Block A** 8:30 9:41 **Flex Time** 9:44 10:24 **Block B** 10:29 11:40 **Break** 11:40 11:50 **Block C** 11:55 1:06 **Lunch** 1:06 1:46 **Block D** 1:49 3:00 **Parent Teacher Conferences** Sign-up closes @12pm **School trustee Visit** @11:30am **Animal Rescue Club** Bubble Tea Sale @lunch	**Day 1** **Block A** 8:30 9:30 **Block B** 9:35 10:35 **Break** 10:35 10:50 **Block C** 10:55 11:55 **Block D** 12:00 1:00 **PTC** 2:00 4:00 **Grade 7 Volleyball Jamboree 3-6pm** **Parent Teacher Conferences** (2-4PM) Early Dismissal	**Day 2** **Block A** 8:30 9:30 **Block B** 9:35 10:35 **Break** 10:35 10:50 **Block C** 10:55 11:55 **Block D** 12:00 1:00 **PTC** 2:00 4:00 **PTC** 5:00 7:00 **Parent Teacher Conferences** (2-4 & 5-7PM) Early Dismissal	**Pro-D Day** **(School Closed)** 8:30am **Welcome** 9:00am **Literacy by Design** 10:30am **Understanding Internet and Phone Addiction** 1:00pm **Department Meetings**

Marlin Strong: Every student, every day, whatever it takes!

"Coming together is a beginning: keeping together is progress; working together is success." *Henry Ford*

At McNair, a student's journey is filled with possibilities. As we approach Parent-Teacher Conferences on November 25th and 26th, we are reminded that nurturing hope in young people is a shared responsibility between dedicated teachers, motivated students, and supportive parents who believe in their child's potential.

Hope grows when students know the important adults in their lives are working together. Learning begins at home, and parents play a vital role in helping their children develop confidence, resilience, and a belief in what they can achieve. By partnering together, we create the conditions for every student to thrive.

One of the most powerful ways to strengthen this partnership is through Parent-Teacher Conferences. Open conversations between parents and teachers help build a shared understanding of a student's strengths, challenges, goals, and possibilities. After all, report cards tell part of the story, but they don't tell the whole story.

At McNair, we encourage parents to advocate for their child, help set meaningful goals, and stay connected to school life. By introducing yourself to your child's teachers and sharing your insights, you contribute valuable perspectives that help us better support student growth. These conversations foster not only achievement, but also hope, helping students see what is possible and believe in their ability to get there.

Parent-Teacher Conferences are more than meetings. They are opportunities to build trust, strengthen relationships, and create a roadmap for success. When home and school work in harmony, students feel supported, empowered, and hopeful about their future.

Together, let us continue to inspire hope, celebrate growth, and ensure every student at McNair has the opportunity to reach their full potential.**At McNair we *champion students & their learning*.**

Importance of Parent Teacher Conferences
Parent-teacher conferences build collaboration, strengthen communication, and ensure shared responsibility for student success, fostering trust and academic growth.

Parent Teacher Conferences (In-Person or Virtual)
November 25th (2-4pm) and November 26th (2-4pm & 5-7pm). All conferences are virtual or in-person. Parent sign up closes on November 24th. Students are welcome to join parents during the Parent Teacher Conferences. **All parent-teacher conferences must be booked online.**

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Nov 30	Pep Rally and Basketball Home Opener
Dec 1	Health and Safety Meeting
Dec 3	SBT Meeting
Dec 4	Collaboration Day (Classes begin at 9:51am)
Dec 7	Staff Meeting
Dec 9	Lockdown Drill (Lunch)
Dec 9	Ed Fac Meeting
Dec 10	Winter Conference
Dec 11	Staff Luncheon
Dec 14	SCC Meeting
Dec 14	At-Risk Learning Updates Due at 8am
Dec 16	At Risk Learning Completion Plans Emailed Home
Dec 17	SBT Meeting
Dec 18	Last day of Classes before Winter Break
Dec 18	Turn off/unplug electronics before break
Dec 18	Holiday Breakfast
Dec 21-31	Winter Break
Jan 1	New Year's Day
Jan 4	First Day of Classes after Winter Break
Jan 4	Staff Meeting
Jan 5	Health and Safety Meeting (Lunch)

Midterm Learning Updates (Report Cards)
Semester 1 midterm learning updates were published online on the MyEdBC Parent Portal on Wednesday, November 18th. We encourage everyone to sit down with their teen and review this report. Please sign-up for a parent-teacher conference.

Semester 1 Midterm Learning Update Timeline

November 18	Learning Updates published.
November 25-26	Parent-Teacher Conferences (Bookings close November 24th @12pm)

Parents: Preparing for Parent-Teacher Conferences
Before the conference: Ask your child about how they feel about their school and classes. Ask your child if there is anything they wish for you to talk about with their teacher. Make a list of topics. Prepare questions to ask the teacher (i.e. Does my child have good work habits? Does my child participate in class? Is my child happy in class? How can I help?).

During the Conference: Ask the most important questions first. Ask for explanations of anything you don't understand. Make a follow-up plan with the teacher. End the meeting on time.

After the Conference: Talk about the conference with your child. Talk about the positive points and be direct about concerns. Share the plan you and the teacher created and that you will keep in touch with the teacher.

Basketball Home Opener and Pep Rally
The senior girls and boys basketball home opener will be November 30, 2026. Athletic council will also, host a Pep Rally to introduce all the teams and players during the Block C.