THE MCNAIR WAAG

November 30 – December 4, 2026

Monday Nov 30	Tuesday Dec 1	Wednesday Dec 2	Thursday Dec 3	Friday Dec 4
Day 1	**Day 2**	**Day 1**	**Day 2**	**Day 1**
Block A 8:30 9:25 **Block B** 9:30 10:25 **Break** 10:25 10:40 **Block C** 10:45 11:40 **Lunch** 11:40 12:20 **Block D** 12:25 1:20 **Pep Rally** 1:20 3:00	**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	**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	**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	**Collab** **8:30** **9:48** **Block A** 9:51 10:53 **Block B** 10:58 12:00 **Break** 12:00 12:13 **Block C** 12:18 1:20 **Lunch** 1:20 1:55 **Block D** 2:00 3:00
Pep Rally and Senior Basketball Home Opener 5:30pm Senoir Girls vs Boyd 7pm Senior Boys vs Boyd **(Prizes, Food, and Fun)** **PAC Meeting 7PM** **On TEAMS**	**Health and Safety Meeting** (at lunch)	**Lockdown Drill (at lunch)** **Mini School Potluck** @6:30pm (Large Gym)	**SBT Meeting (at lunch)**	**Collaboration Day** (Classes begin at 9:51am)

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

"Diversity is the one true thing we all have in common. Celebrate it every day." *Winston Churchill*

As winter break approaches and lights begin to shine a little brighter across our communities, we are reminded of something powerful: hope thrives in diversity**.**

At McNair, every student, family, and staff member brings a unique story, culture, language, tradition, and perspective. Together, these differences create something much greater than a collection of individuals. They create a community. Hope is often described as the belief that tomorrow can be better than today. But hope does not grow in isolation. It grows when people feel they belong. It grows when voices are heard. It grows when we learn from one another and discover new ways of thinking, celebrating, creating, and caring.

Nature teaches us this lesson well. Diverse ecosystems are stronger, healthier, and more resilient because each part contributes something valuable. School communities are no different. Our diversity expands our understanding, fuels creativity, and helps us navigate challenges together. Every culture shared, every language spoken, and every tradition celebrated adds another thread to the rich tapestry of McNair. The opposite of hope is not difference. The opposite of hope is division.

When we retreat into sameness, we limit ourselves. We miss opportunities to learn, grow, and connect. But when we embrace different perspectives, we open doors to new ideas, deeper understanding, and stronger relationships. Diversity challenges us to see beyond ourselves and reminds us that there are many paths to joy, success, and belonging.

At McNair, inclusion is not simply a goal. It is a promise. A promise that every student matters, every story has value, and every person deserves to feel seen, respected, and welcomed.
When we share our cultures, we share our joys.

When we share our stories, we build understanding. When we celebrate our differences, we create a stronger future together. This holiday season, may we continue to learn from one another, celebrate one another, and inspire one another. Because hope grows where everyone belongs. **At McNair we *champion students & their learning*.**

Marlinaires Food Drive 2026 – Thank you
Marlinaires have been bringing awareness of food security as an initiative to show kindness for others. They have been collecting non-perishable food or cash for the Richmond Food Bank. Thank you to all those that pareticpated and shared your good fortunate with those that need a little extra help.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Dec 7	Staff Meeting
Dec 9	Ed Fac Meeting
Dec 10	Winter Conference
Dec 11	Staff Luncheon
Dec 11	Winter Movie at Lunch (Large Gym)
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)
Jan 13	Literacy 10 Graduation Assessment
Jan 13	Ed Fac Meeting
Jan 14	SBT Meeting
Jan 15	Collaboration Day (Classes begin at 9:51am)

Basketball Home Opener Pep Rally
Get ready to cheer! The Senior Girls and Boys Basketball Home Opener is on November 30, 2026. To kick things off, the Athletic Council will host an Pep Rally during Block D, introducing all our teams and players. Wear your grade colors to the Pep Rally… Grade 8: Green, Grade 9: Red, Grade 10 Yellow, Grade 11: Black and Grade 12: Blue.

Basketball Home Opener and Fighting Cancer
Join us at McNair's Basketball Home Opener for an exciting evening of fast breaks, big plays, and school spirit while supporting a great cause. Let's pack the gym, cheer on our athletes, and show our McNair pride as we come together to help fight cancer.
All proceeds from the concession, games, and prize draws will support our Cancer Fundraiser... turning every basket, cheer, and donation into a chance to make a difference. Together, we can score both on and off the court.

Students with Emerging or Insufficent Evidence
Final evaluations of student learning for Semester 1 will occur in late January 2026. However, on December 16, 2026, a small number of our students will receive an "Incomplete Learning Report / Plan." because they are not yet meeting expectation in their courses and are at risk of not completing the Learning Standards by the end of the semester. These plans will detail the learning that must be demonstrated to successfully meet the Learning Standards for the course. The reports/plans will be emailed home on December 16th with the expectation that students will engage in the necessary steps to improve their standing.