UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

الإمارات العربية المتحدة
وزارة التربية والتعليم

Academic Calendar 2026-2027

For public and private schools following the UAE Ministry of Education curriculum

August 2026

Academic Calendar 2026–2027 for Public and Private Schools Following the Ministry of Education Curriculum

تربية وتعليم

Start of the Academic Year

Administrative and teaching staff	Students
24 August 2026	31 August 2026

Start of the Winter Break

Administrative and teaching staff	Students
21 December 2026	14 December 2026

Start of the Spring Break

Administrative and teaching staff	Students
05 April 2027	05 April 2027

Last Day of the Academic Year

Administrative and teaching staff	Students
09 July 2027	02 July 2027

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
Number of Weeks in Each Academic Term	13	12	12
Number of School Days	67	60	58
Total Number of School Days	185		

August 1 2026

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September 22 2026

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October 17 2026

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November 21 2026

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December 6 2026

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January 20 2027

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25	26	27	28	29	30	31

February 20 2027

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22	23	24	25	26	27	28

March 18 2027

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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

April 17 2027

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May 19 2027

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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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June 22 2027

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14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

July 2 2027

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- Start of the Academic Term for Students
- Winter Break for Students
- Public Holidays and Official Breaks
- Mid-Term Break for Students
- Spring Break for Students
- End of the Academic Year for Students
- Summer Break for Students

Timeline for Academic Term 1 2026–2027

Date	Statement
24 August 2026	Start of the Academic Year for Administrative and Teaching Staff
24 - 28 August 2026	Specialized Training for Administrative and Teaching Staff 1
28 August 2026	Prophet's Birthday
31 August 2026	Start of the Academic Year for Students
07 September - 09 October 2026	Arabic Baseline Assessment (ABA)
21 September - 30 October 2026	Standardized Proficiency Assessment (SPA)
07 - 18 September 2026	Diagnostic Exams
12 - 16 October 2026	Mid-Term Break for Students
12 - 14 October 2026	Specialized Training for Administrative and Teaching Staff 2
15 - 16 October 2026	Mid-Term Break for Administrative and Teaching Staff
19 October – 12 November 2026	PIRLS 2026 (Main Study)
18 -20 November 2026	Mock Exams
25 - 27 November 2026	End-of-Term Exams
02 - 04 December 2026	National Day Holiday
07 - 11 December 2026	Continuation of End-of-Term Exams
14 December - 01 January 2027	Students Winter Break
14 - 18 December 2026	Specialized Training for Administrative and Teaching Staff 3
14 - 18 December 2026	Make-up Exams for Term 1
21 December - 01 January 2027	Winter Break for Administrative and Teaching Staff

Term	Month	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
Term 1	August 2026	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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	September 2026		1	2	3	4	5	6
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		21	22	23	24	25	26	27
		28	29	30				
	October 2026				1	2	3	4
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		12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		19	20	21	22	23	24	25
		26	27	28	29	30	31	
	November 2026							1
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		9	10	11	12	13	14	15
		16	17	18	19	20	21	22
		23	24	25	26	27	28	29
		30						
	December 2026		1	2	3	4	5	6
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		21	22	23	24	25	26	27
		28	29	30	31			
	January 2027					1	2	3

Academic Agenda Dates

- Start of the Academic Year for Administrative and Teaching Staff
- Start of the Academic Year for Students
- Diagnostic Tests
- End-of-Term Exams

Official Holidays and Breaks

- Mid-Term Break for Students
- Prophet's Birthday
- National Day
- Winter Break for Students
- New Year Holiday

Timeline for Academic Term 2 2026–2027

Date	Statement
04 January 2027	Start Date for Students, Administrative, and Teaching Staff
04 - 06 January 2027	Term 1 Results Announcement
08 -12 March 2027	Eid Al-Fitr Holiday
22 March - 02 April 2027	School-based Summative Assessment (SSA)
05 - 09 April 2027	Spring Break for Students and Administrative and Teaching Staff

Term	Month	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
Term 2	January 2027	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		11	12	13	14	15	16	17
		18	19	20	21	22	23	24
		25	26	27	28	29	30	31
	February 2027	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		8	9	10	11	12	13	14
		15	16	17	18	19	20	21
		22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	March 2027	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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		29	30	31				
	April 2027				1	2	3	4
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Academic Agenda Dates

- Start date for Students, Administrative, and Teaching Staff

Official Holidays and Breaks

- Eid Al-Fitr Holiday
- Spring Break for Students, Administrative, and Teaching Staff

Timeline for Academic Term 3 2026–2027

Date	Statement
12 April 2027	Start Date for Students, Administrative, and Teaching Staff
12 - 14 April 2027	Term 2 Result Announcement
19 April - 14 May 2027	TIMSS 2027 Study (Main Study)
26 April - 04 June 2027	Standardized Proficiency Assessment (SPA)
15 - 18 May 2027	Eid Al-Adha Holiday
06 June 2027	Hijri New Year
09 - 11 June 2027	Mock Exam
11 June 2027	Completion of Kindergarten and Grade 1-2 Curriculum
14 June – 02 July 2027	Enrichment activities and academic support for Kindergarten and Grades 1-2
16 - 25 June 2027	End-of-Term Exams
28 June - 02 July 2027	Academic Support Week
30 June – 01 July 2027	End-of-Year Results Announcement
02 July 2027	Last Day of the Academic Year for Students
05 - 08 July 2027	Make-up and Resit Exams
12 July 2027	Resit Exams Results Announcement
12 July 2027	Start of Summer Break for Administrative and Teaching Staff

Term	Month	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
Term 3	April 2027	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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	May 2027						1	2
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		31						
	June 2027		1	2	3	4	5	6
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	July 2027				1	2	3	4
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		19	20	21	22	23	24	25
		26	27	28	29	30	31	

Academic Agenda Dates

- Start Date for Students, Administrative & Teaching Staff
- End-of-Term Exams
- Make-up and Resit Exams

Official Holidays and Breaks

- Eid Al-Adha Holiday
- Hijri New Year
- Last Day of the Academic Year for Students
- Summer Break for Students

Academic Calendar Summary 2026–2027

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	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
Start of School for Administrative and Teaching Staff	24 August 2026	04 January 2027	12 April 2027
Start of School for Students	31 August 2026	04 January 2027	12 April 2027
Specialized Training for Administrative and Teaching Staff	24 - 28 August 2026 12 - 14 October 2026 14 - 18 December 2026		
Students' Breaks	14 December - 01 January 2027	05 - 09 April 2027	05 July 2027
Administrative and Teaching Staff Break	21 December - 01 January 2027	05 - 09 April 2027	12 July 2027
Arabic Baseline Assessment (ABA)	07 September - 09 October 2026		
Standardized Proficiency Assessment (SPA)	21 September - 30 October 2026		26 April - 04 June 2027
PIRLS 2026 (Main Study)	19 October – 12 November 2026		
TIMSS 2027 (Main Study)			19 April - 14 May 2027
National Education Charter Weeks	28 September - 02 October 2026 19 - 23 October 2026 16 - 20 November 2026	25 - 29 January 2027 15 - 19 February 2027	27 - 30 April 2027 10 - 14 May 2027 31 - 04 June 2027