



Academic Calendar

2025 - 2026

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

August 2025

Start of the Academic Year

Administrative and teaching staff	Students
18/08/2025	25/08/2025

Start of the Winter Break

Administrative and teaching staff	Students
15/12/2025	08/12/2025

Start of the Spring Break

Administrative and teaching staff	Students
16/03/2026	16/03/2026

Last Day of the Academic Year

Administrative and teaching staff	Students
17/07/2026	03/07/2026

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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

Total Number of School Days: 178

Timeline for Academic Term 1 2025–2026

Date	Statement
18 August 2025	Start of the Academic Year for Administrative and Teaching Staff
18 - 22 August 2025	Specialized Training for Administrative and Teaching Staff 1
25 August 2025	Start of the Academic Year for Students
04 September 2025	Prophet's Birthday
15 - 19 September 2025	Diagnostic Exams
13 - 19 October 2025	Mid-Term Break for Students
13 - 15 October 2025	Specialized Training for Administrative and Teaching Staff 2
16 - 19 October 2025	Mid-Term Break for Administrative and Teaching Staff
17 - 19 November 2025	Mock Exams
20 - 28 November 2025	End-of-Term Exams
02 - 03 December 2025	National Day
04 - 05 December 2025	Continuation of End-of-Term Exams
08 December - 04 January 2026	Students Winter Break
08 - 12 December 2025	Specialized Training for Administrative and Teaching Staff 3
08 - 12 December 2025	Make-up Exams for Academic Term 1
15 December - 04 January 2026	Winter Break for Administrative and Teaching Staff

Term	Month	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
Term 1	August 2025	18	19	420	21	22	23	24
		25	26	27	28	29	30	31
	September 2025	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
		29	30					
				1	2	3	4	5
	October 2025	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		
							1	2
	November 2025	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	29	30
	December 2025	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
		29	30	31				
	January 2026				1	2	3	4

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 2025–2026

Date	Statement
05 January 2026	Start date for Students, Administrative, and Teaching Staff
07 - 09 January 2026	Term 1 Results Announcement
11 - 15 February 2026	Mid-Term Break for Students
11 - 13 February 2026	Specialized Training for Administrative and Teaching Staff 4
04 -13 March 2026	Summative School-based Assessments (SSA)
16 - 29 March 2026	Spring Break and Eid Al-Fitr Holiday for Students, Administrative and Teaching Staff

Term	Month	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
Term 2	January 2026	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 2026							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	
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	March 2026	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	29

Academic Agenda Dates

Start date for Students, Administrative, and Teaching Staff

End-of-Term Exams

Official Holidays and Breaks

Mid-Term Break for Students

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

Timeline for Academic Term 3 2025–2026

Date	Statement
30 March 2026	Start date for Students, Administrative, and Teaching Staff
30 March - 02 April 2026	Make-up Exams for the Second Academic Term
03 - 04 April 2026	Term 2 Result Announcement
15 April - 07 May 2026	PIRLS 2026 Study (Main Study)
15 April - 07 May 2026	TIMSS 2027 Study (Field Trial)
25 - 29 May 2026	Mid-Term Break and Eid Al-Adha for Students and Administrative and Teaching Staff
17 June 2026	Hijri New Year
15 - 16 June 2026	Mock Exam
24 June - 03 July 2026	End-of-Term Exams
03 July 2026	Last Day of the Academic Year for Students
06 - 09 July 2026	Make-up Exams for the Third Academic Term
12 - 13 July 2026	End-of-Year Results Announcement
13 - 17 July 2026	Specialized Training for Administrative and Teaching Staff 5
14 - 17 July 2026	Resit Exams
20 July 2026	Resit Exams Results Announcement
18 July 2026	Start of Summer Break for Administrative and Teaching Staff

Term	Month	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
Term 3	March 2026	30	31					
	April 2026			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	29	30			
	May 2026					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	29	30	31
	June 2026	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
		29	30					
	July 2026			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	29	30	31		

Academic Agenda Dates

- Start date for Students, Administrative & Teaching Staff
- PIRLS 2026 Study (Main Study)
- TIMSS 2027 Study (Field Trial)
- End-of-Term Exams
- Resit Exams

Official Holidays and Breaks

- Mid-Term Break and Eid Al-Adha for Students and Administrative and Teaching Staff
- Hijri New Year
- Last Day of the Academic Year for Students
- Summer Break for Students

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
Start of School for Administrative and Teaching Staff	18 August 2025	05 January 2026	30 March 2026
Start of School for Students	25 August 2025	05 January 2026	30 March 2026
Specialized Training for Administrative and Teaching Staff	18 - 22 August 2025 13 - 15 October 2025 08 - 12 December 2025	11 - 13 February 2026	13 - 17 July 2026
Students' Breaks	08 December 2025 - 04 January 2026	16 - 29 March 2026	04 July 2026
Administrative and Teaching Staff Break	16 - 17 October 2025 15 December - 04 January 2026	16 - 29 March 2026	18 July 2026
Arabic Baseline Assessment (ABA)	08 September - 31 October 2025	-	-
Standardized Proficiency Assessment (SPA)	29 September - 31 October 2025	-	27 April - 05 July 2026
PIRLS 2026 Study (Main Study)	-	-	15 April - 07 May 2026
TIMSS 2027 Study (Field Trial)	-	-	15 April - 07 May 2026