

# Benjamin E. Mays IB World School | 2018-2019 CALENDAR



Benjamin E. Mays IB World School  
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[www.spps.org/mays](http://www.spps.org/mays)

\*TYPTSD = Take Your Parent to School Day  
\*\*PTA = Parent Teacher Association

JANUARY 2019						
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- 2 Classes Resume
- 8 PTA\*\* Meeting 6:00-7:30
- 21 NO SCHOOL, M.L.K. Day
- 24 Mays CAFÉ 5:30-7:30
- 25 NO SCHOOL, prof. dev.
- 31 Open House for new families 9:00-10:30

AUGUST 2018						
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- 30 Meet & Greet 4:30-6:00

FEBRUARY 2019						
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- 11 NAAPID (National African American Parent Involvement Day)
- 18 NO SCHOOL, Presidents' Day
- 21 IB Showcase
- 28 Movie Night 6:00-8:00

SEPTEMBER 2018						
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- 3 Labor Day
- 4 First Day grades 1-12
- 4-5 PreK & K Welcome Meetings
- 6 First Day Pre-k and K
- 11 PTA\*\* Meeting 6:00-7:30
- 27 Mays CAFÉ/Title I Night 5:30-7:30 pm

MARCH 2019						
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- 1 NO SCHOOL, conf. prep.
- 19 Conferences 4:00-7:00
- 21 NO SCHOOL **PreK Only** Conferences 4:00-7:00
- 22 NO SCHOOL Conferences 8:30-3:00
- 28 Spring Picture Day

OCTOBER 2018						
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- 2 TYPTSD\* 8:30-10:30 2<sup>nd</sup> grd
- 3 TYPTSD\* 8:30-10:30 1<sup>st</sup> grd.
- 4 TYPTSD\* 8:30-10:30 K
- 9 TYPTSD\* Mays Pre-K 8:30-11:00, 12:30-3:00
- 10 TYPTSD\* Rondo Pre-K 8:30-11:00
- 11 Picture Day
- 18-19 NO SCHOOL, MEA
- 25 Fall Festival 6:00-8:00
- 26 NO SCHOOL, conf. prep

APRIL 2019						
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- 1-5 NO SCHOOL Spring Break
- 8 Classes Resume
- 16 PTA\*\* Meeting 6:00-7:30
- 19 NO SCHOOL, prof. dev.
- 25 Culture Night 5:30-7:00

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- 13 Conferences 4:00-7:00
- 14 Picture Retake Day
- 15 NO SCHOOL **PreK Only** Conferences 4:00-7:00
- 16 NO SCHOOL Conferences 8:30-3:00
- 22-23 NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Break

MAY 2019						
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- 9 Art Show & Year in Review
- 14 Transition Day
- 16 PreK & K Registration 5:00-6:00
- 21 PTA\*\* Meeting 6:00-7:30
- 27 NO SCHOOL, Memorial Day
- 30 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Exhibition 5:30-7:30
- 31 Track & Field Day

DECEMBER 2018						
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- 4 PTA Meeting 6:00-7:30
- 13 IB Showcase 5:30-7:00
- 21-1/1 Winter Break

JUNE 2019						
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- 4 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Transition Day
- 6 Mays Moves 5:30-7:00
- 7 Last Day of School

## **Benjamin E. Mays IB World School – Family Engagement**

### **Our school communicates with families in many ways.**

- *The Inquirer's Journey* and fliers for events are sent electronically through e-mail every week
- Watch our school website for information and upcoming events, [www.spps.org/mays](http://www.spps.org/mays)
- Each teacher has bi-monthly or weekly classroom newsletters

Additionally, when families call, email, text, or send a note, we do our best to respond within 24 hours during the work week.

### **Our Parent-School Compacts establishes the shared responsibility for student success between the school, families, and students. Families and teachers work together to develop the Compacts.**

- Benjamin E. Mays IB World School is pleased with the partnership between families and the school in the development of Grade-Level Compacts around academic goals. Compacts are available during our Meet & Greet in September, during Parent/Teacher Conferences in fall and spring and during Title 1 Night/Mays Café in fall. They are also posted on our website and available in our main office.
- Compacts will be updated every spring.

### **Our school shares information about student achievement with families in multiple ways.**

- Report cards and progress reports will be distributed three times a year. Report cards are distributed in person during Parent/Teacher Conferences. If a family is unable to attend conferences, the report card is sent home.
- Progress reports will be sent home bi-weekly by the classroom teacher.
- Parent-Teacher conferences are held twice a year in fall and spring.

### **Our school supports families as advocates and provides opportunities for parent leadership.**

- Mays CAFÉ, in fall and winter, offer opportunities for parents and community members to share their views and vision for Mays.
- Parent Teacher Association (PTA) meets regularly throughout the school year at Mays.
- Parents have been instrumental in bringing the Parent Teacher Plan to Mays. The Parent Teacher Plan is used during our fall and spring conferences to set academic goals together.
- If parents have concerns about their child's learning, the process at Benjamin E. Mays IB World School is to start discussion with classroom teacher (involving MLL staff or Special Education staff as needed); then to approach the administrator assigned to that grade; after this, refer the concern to the Principal; if resolution has not been gained, next involve Assistant Superintendent (Lisa Sayles-Adams).
- The district has an Ombudsperson available to help resolve conflict between families and schools. The Ombudsperson is a person who listens to and investigates complaints against Saint Paul Public Schools, its programs, offices and staff. The Ombudsperson does not take sides. She works with parents, community members and the school district to clarify and resolve questions, concerns and complaints in a fair and timely manner. The services of the Ombudsperson are free. Our Ombudsperson is Dana Abrams, at (651) 767-8394 or [dana.abrams@spps.org](mailto:dana.abrams@spps.org).

### **Our school supports family engagement.**

So all families are able to participate in events and opportunities at school, Benjamin E. Mays IB World School provides translation, interpretation and transportation services as requested. Childcare services are provided at PTA meetings and Mays CAFÉ gatherings.