Millennium School

2016-2017 Calendar

August 2016

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Date	Event
Aug 22	First Day of School; Expedition Begins
Aug 22-26	Outdoor Expedition at Oz Farm, Mendocino
Aug 29	First day of First Term; on site at Boys & Girls Club
Sept 5	Labor Day - No School
Oct 10	Columbus Day / Indigenous Peoples' Day - No School
Oct 17-21	Intersession (Normal school hours apply)
Oct 24	First Day of Second Term
Nov 11	Veterans Day - No School
Nov 21-25	Thanksgiving Break - No School
Dec 12-16	Intersession (Normal school hours apply)
Dec 19-Jan 2	Winter Break - No School
Jan 3	First Day of Third Term
Jan 16	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - No School
Feb 13-17	Intersession (Normal school hours apply)
Feb 20-24	Mid-Winter Break - No School
Feb 27	First Day of Fourth Term
Mar 27-31	Intersession (Integrated into Fourth Term)
Apr 10-14	Spring Break - No School
Apr 17	First Day of Fifth Term
May 29	Memorial Day - No School
June 5-9	Class Expedition
June 9	Last Day of 2016-2017 School Year

Legend

	No School
	Intersession (school still in session, one week focus on a particular area of study and/or trip)

A Note on the Hero's Journey

As the author and scholar Joseph Campbell noted, in most societies throughout recorded history, a similar story has been told of a heroic journey of self-discovery and growth. This story involves a hero reluctantly being called to adventure, facing challenges and trials, addressing their inner fears, discovering a sense of purpose and capacity to act in the world, creating an identity, and ultimately returning home transformed. The Iliad, Wizard of Oz, and Star Wars are some of the many examples.

At the root of this story is an adventure every person shares - adolescence. We enter reluctantly, discover new capacities, face challenges, and return transformed, as adults. The Hero's Journey cycle sets the tone for our year, in five terms which frame the questions we'll explore together:

Chapter 1 - Introducing the Hero - August 22 - October 14, 2016
Chapter 2 - Facing our Fears - October 24 - December 9, 2016
Chapter 3 - Finding Mentors - January 3 - February 10, 2017
Chapter 4 - Road of New Friends, Tests & Trials - February 27 - April 7, 2017
Chapter 5 - New Thresholds - April 17 - June 9, 2017

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