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Starting Dates and Calendars

- Traditional calendar schools begin Wednesday, August 25.
- Year-round schools started on Friday, July 9.
- Modified calendar schools started on Monday, July 26.
- Wake Early College of Health and Sciences began Monday, August 9.

Schools

- 163 total schools
- 103 elementary, 32 middle, 24 high, and four special/optional schools
- 108 schools operate on a traditional calendar (61 elementary schools, 21 middle schools, 22 high schools and four special/optional schools)
- 49 schools operate on a year-round calendar (40 elementary schools and nine middle schools)
- Five schools operate on a modified year-round calendar (two elementary schools, two middle schools and one high school)
- One school operates on a calendar matching the community college (Wake Early College of Health and Sciences High School)

Four New Schools Open in 2010

Traditional:

- Mills Park Middle - <http://millsparkms.wcpss.net/>
- Heritage High - <http://heritagehs.wcpss.net/>

Year-Round:

- Alston Ridge Year-Round Elementary - <http://alstonridgees.wcpss.net/>
- Holly Grove Year-Round Middle - <http://hollygrovemms.wcpss.net/>

Students

- 143,432 students expected for 2010-11
- More than 12,400 kindergartners expected this year (Class of 2023)
- WCPSS remains the largest school district in the state, and the 18th largest in the nation

Transportation

- 925 buses
- Expected 75,000 student riders
- Year-round bus routes are online at www.wcpss.net/school-directory/bus-routes/
- Traditional calendar routes will be updated in early August.
- Kindergartners and first-graders who ride the bus will be given name tags for the first 20 days of school. Schools will place name tags on students before boarding the afternoon bus. Tags will include student name, school name and phone number, bus route number and bus stop location. Parents are encouraged to teach children to know their home address, phone number and bus route name. Help prepare children for the new experience of riding the bus to school.
- The Wake County Public School System provides bus transportation to all base students in the system who live one-and-a-half miles or more from school and to students with identified special needs. The system's transportation department is committed to providing these students with safe, efficient and reliable transportation service that contributes to their overall academic success.