

Hillsborough County Head Start Program

2026 - 2027 School Calendar

The Hillsborough County Board of County Commissioners, along with Sub-recipients – Tampa Metropolitan Area YMCA, and Lutheran Services Florida (LSF), are required to adhere to the specified dates, even if their organizations are not open. Any changes to these dates must receive prior approval. The YMCA, LSF, and the Recipient will be operational from 7:00 am to 5:30 pm. All three entities will operate for 230 days of direct service to the children and provide additional training days as outlined below:

August '26 (16)							September '26 (21/13)							October '26 (21/21)						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S	Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S	Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	27	28	29	30				25	26	27	28	29	30	31
30	31																			
November '26 (18/15)							December '26 (21/18)							January '27 (18/17)						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S	Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S	Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
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8	9	10	11	12	13	14	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
29	30						27	28	29	30	31			24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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February '27 (19/18)							March '27 (18/16)							April '27 (21/17)						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S	Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S	Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
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7	8	9	10	11	12	13	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
28							28	29	30	31				25	26	27	28	29	30	
May '27 (20)							June '27 (21)							July '27 (16)						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S	Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S	Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	S
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	Start / End of School		No School – Winter / Spring / Summer Break
	Holidays – No Work / No School		First and Last Day of VPK
	No School – Teacher Training/Planning		Non-VPK Days
	30-day screening: Immunization, physicals, dietary survey, and health history 45-day screening: Vision, hearing, development, speech/language 90-day screening: Growth assessment, blood pressure, dental exam, and dental health determination		

Total Days = 230 days Head Start/EHS

Total Days = 135 days VPK/ 540 hours

Sub-recipient Providers are encouraged to observe the same holidays as the Recipient; however, they may also adhere to their organizational calendar for staff holidays. Holidays are subject to change per BOCC confirmation.

Approved by Policy Council: 5/21/2026