2021-2022 Blacksburg New School Calendar

Please note that several “usual” indoor events such as:
Thanksgiving Performance Celebration, History Nights, Science Fairs, and Authors’ Teas are not listed for this year.
Some of these events could possibly be added if we see kid vaccines, controlled variants, and other positive trends.
It is also possible that modified versions of some of the events will be developed individually by teachers as the year progresses.

Aug. 4  Start of Teacher Workdays: August 4, 5, 6, 9, 10 (W, Th, F, M, T)
Aug. 11 First Day of School (a Wednesday)
(VT and RU classes start on Mon. the 23rd this year; Montgomery County Public Schools begin Thurs. Aug. 12.)
Sept. 6 Labor Day, BNS is CLOSED (MCPS are closed; VT no classes; RU yes classes)
Sept. 17 School Photos are tentatively scheduled for this day? (weather-dependent).
Oct. 7 Corporation Meeting, 7:00 p.m., a Thursday [Probably via Zoom]
Oct. 15 BNS Closes at 12:00, Teacher Work Time for Parent-Teacher Conferences prep/reimbursement; a Friday
Oct. 18 No Classes, Teacher Workday for Parent-Teacher Conferences preparation/reimbursement; a Monday
Nov. 5 BNS Closes at 12:00, Teacher Work Time compensation (first Friday in November)
[This provides needed support to the grading schedule of our Middle School program.]
Nov. 19 No After School Program [if there is an ASP]; a Friday
Nov. 22-26 Thanksgiving Break (the full week)
Dec. 17 No After School Program [if relevant]; a Friday
Dec. 20-Jan. 3 BNS is Closed for Winter Break; (MCPS break begins with early release Dec. 21; VT last exam=15th; RU’s=9th)
Winter Break = two full weeks + the Monday after
Jan. 3 BNS Closed as part of Winter Break; a Monday
Jan. 4 School resumes (a Tuesday) (MCPS students resume on 6th; VT and RU classes resume on Tues. Jan. 18)
Jan. 17 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, a Monday, BNS is CLOSED
(VT and RU no classes. MCPS are closed.)
Feb. 12 Annual “Chocolate Party” fundraiser; Saturday at University Mall 10am-4pm
Feb. 18 BNS Closes at 12:00, Teacher Work Time for Parent-Teacher Conferences preparation/reimbursement
Feb. 21 No Classes; Teacher Workday for Parent-Teacher Conferences preparation/reimbursement
(This is a Monday and it also happens to be Presidents’ Day; MCPS are closed.)
Mar. 4 No After School Program [if relevant]; a Friday
Mar. 7-11 Spring Break (This is VT’s and RU’s Spring Break.) (MCPS Spring Break = April 14, 15, and 18)
Mar. 24 Corporation Meeting, 7:00 p.m., this is a Thursday [Possibly via Zoom]
Apr. 1 BNS Closes at 12:00, Teacher Work Time compensation (first Friday in April)
May 6 No Classes, Teacher Workday for Parent-Teacher Conference preparation (This is a Friday.)
May 9 No Classes, Teacher Workday for Parent-Teacher Conference preparation (This is a Monday.)
May 26 Annual Arts Festival and End-of-Year Picnic Dinner Celebration, 6:00 p.m. (Thursday) ?? MAYBE?
May 27 Last Day of School; Graduation Ceremony at 10:00 a.m.; BNS Closes at 12:00 noon ?? MAYBE? HOPEFULLY!
(This is a Friday. MCPS’s last day = May 20 - May 27—depending upon their snow days)

BNS School Day = 9:00 am – 3:15 pm
This is a 180 day calendar as required. This is a 1065 hour calendar; state requirement = 990 hours.
The 75 hours (12 days) of Banked Time may be used for any weather delays or closings.