

## **Blue Heron School 2024-25 Calendar**

2024

Orientation days August 27, 28 & 29

First Day of School Tuesday, September 3

CLOSED Parent Teacher Conferences Friday, October 11

CLOSED Indigenous People's Day Monday, October 14

HALF DAY Voting Day, Tuesday November 5-Everyone departs at 1:00, additional Parent Teacher Conferences in the afternoon

CLOSED Veterans Day observed Monday, November 11

CLOSED SLNSC Annual Staff Retreat- Tuesday, November TBD

CLOSED Thanksgiving November 27-29

CLOSED Winter Holidays December 23-January 1, 2024

2025

Return from Winter Holidays Thursday, January 2

CLOSED MLK Day Monday, January 20

CLOSED Winter Vacation Monday-Friday February 24-28

CLOSED Parent Teacher Conferences Friday, March 21

CLOSED Spring Vacation Monday-Friday April 28-May 2

CLOSED Memorial Day Monday, May 26

Last Day of School Wednesday, June 11

### **Sample Daily Schedule**

- 8:30 Arrival at the outdoor play area.
- 9:30 Meeting- may be indoors or out. This meeting includes greeting songs, mindfulness moments, weather, calendar, and introduction of new activities.
- 9:45 Work time - may be indoors and/or outside. The classroom is structured with shelves of nature, creative and academic activities, including Montessori materials. Children move freely in the space, choosing activities that are interesting and appropriate for their level of development. The teacher acts as a guide, introducing materials and assisting with interactions between children. Many days children start their day outside during this period, bringing activities outside, in unstructured play, or in a guided activity with a naturalist. Children eat snack when they are hungry during this period.
- 11:15 Group time-indoors or out. This gathering is for songs and stories and group large motor activities such as games, music and yoga.
- 11:45 Lunch time-inside or out.
- 12:15 Outdoor adventures. Activities include time for unstructured play and guided explorations with nature.
- 1:00 Departure from the outdoor play area.
- 1:00-3:30 Rest time, crafts and outdoor time for extended care. Kindergarten children, in their own group, participate in more challenging academic and outdoor activities.
- 3:30 Extended care departure.
- Note: outdoor time periods are adjusted for weather conditions but children will go outside every day.