



The First Franklin Covey Lighthouse Charter School in New York State  
**An International Baccalaureate Candidate School**

**SCHOOL CALENDAR 2018-2019**  
 (184 Instructional Days)

**Mission Statement – “Where Leaders Grow Up.”**

Cultural Arts Academy Charter School’s mission is to provide a college preparatory education (*Curriculum and Instruction*) with exemplary cultural arts proficiency (*The Arts*) to young leaders (*Leader In Me*) who will profoundly impact the human condition (*International Baccalaureate*).

**Summer 2018**

June 29, 2018	Bridging-Graduation
June 30-July 27, 2018	Lighthouse Leadership/Facilities Vacation <i>First Day Back - 7/30/2018</i>
August 13, 2018	Lighthouse Operations Team Returns
August 13, 2018	Student Support Team Returns
August 17, 2018	Kindergarten and New Student Mixer
August 20-August 31, 2018	Professional Learning for New and Returning Staff (2 Weeks)

**NEW ! First Day of School – September 4, 2018 (No busing)**

**Start Time - 7:30am – 4pm**

*(Scholars will be recorded late beginning at 7:45am )*

September 5, 2018	<b>First day of busing</b>
<b>QUARTER 1</b>	<b>September 4 – November 10</b>
September 7, 2018 - PD (Staff Professional Development) Fridays begin – 2pm-4pm	<b>Scholars are dismissed at K—5 - 1:30pm every Friday</b> <i>Late fees will be assessed and strictly enforced.</i>
September 10-11, 2018	SCHOOL CLOSED – Rosh Hashanah
September 17, 2018	<b>Curriculum Evening – 4:30pm-6pm (K-2</b>

	<b>Parents ONLY)</b>
September 18, 2018	<b>Curriculum Evening – 4:30pm-6pm (Grades 3-5 Parents ONLY)</b>
September 19, 2018	SCHOOL CLOSED – Yom Kippur
September 24, 2018 -  <b>SPECIALIZED AFTERSCHOOL</b> <b>NOTE: Due to funding</b> , Afterschool (4:15 – 5:15pm) is now limited to special programming only.	<b>AIS* and/or – Homework Help*</b> (M/W) <b>Team Practices**</b> (T-TH) <b>Scouting***</b> (F) <b>Arts Productions****</b> (Varying) * Pre-determined by Student Support ** Must be an official member of the team *** Must be officially registered in scouting **** Based on auditions
October 8, 2018	SCHOOL CLOSED - Columbus Day
November 6, 2018	SCHOOL CLOSED – (for Scholars only) - Election Day Staff Professional Learning Day (Mandatory)
November 12, 2018	SCHOOL CLOSED – Veterans Day
<b>QUARTER 2</b>	<b>November 13 – January 18</b>
<b>November 15, 2018 – NO SCHOOL – Alternate Schedule*</b> –Scholars must come with their parents at the scheduled time and <b>bring their Leadership Notebooks</b> to discuss their progress.	<b>*Student-Led Parent-Teacher Conferences</b> <b>8AM-12NOON – K-2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE</b> <b>1PM-5PM—3-5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE</b>
November 21, 2018 – <b>HALF DAY</b>	Early Dismissal – 12 NOON
November 22-23, 2018	<b>SCHOOL CLOSED – Thanksgiving Recess</b>
December 21, 2018 – <b>HALF DAY</b>	Early Dismissal – 12 NOON
December 24, 2018 - January 1, 2019	<b>SCHOOL CLOSED – Winter Recess</b> -School is open January 2, 2018
January 21, 2019	SCHOOL CLOSED – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
<b>January 24, 2019 - NO SCHOOL* - Alternate Schedule</b> –Scholars must come with their parents at the scheduled time and <b>bring their Leadership Notebooks</b> to discuss their progress.	<b>Student-Led Parent-Teacher Conferences</b> <b>8AM-12NOON – K-2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE</b> <b>1PM-5PM—3-5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE</b>
<b>QUARTER 3</b>	<b>January 21 – April 5</b>
February 5, 2019	SCHOOL CLOSED – Lunar New Year
February 15, 2019	Early Dismissal – 12 NOON
February 18-February 22, 2019	SCHOOL CLOSED – Midwinter Recess

<b>QUARTER 4</b>	<b>April 8 - June 21</b>
<b>April 11, 2019 - NO SCHOOL*</b> Alternate Schedule – Scholars must come with their parents at the scheduled time and bring their Leadership Notebooks to discuss their progress.	<b>*Student-Led Conferences</b> <b>8AM-12NOON – K-2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE</b> <b>1PM-5PM—3-5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE</b>
April 2 – April 4, 2019	NY State Assessment - ELA
April 18, 2019	Early Dismissal – 12 NOON
April 19-April 26, 2019	SCHOOL CLOSED – Spring Recess
May 1 – May 3, 2019	NY State Assessment - Mathematics
May, 27, 2019	SCHOOL CLOSED – Memorial Day
June 4, 2019	SCHOOL CLOSED – Eid al-Fitr
June 11, 2019	SCHOOL CLOSED – <i>(for Scholars only)</i> <b>JUNE CLERICAL DAY-</b> to allow staff time to complete various tasks related to closing out the school year and preparing for next year – <i>(Mandatory)</i>
<b>June 17-June 21, 2019</b>	<b>Final Examinations</b>
June 28, 2019	BRIDGING/GRADUATION - LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
<b>July 1 – July 26, 2019</b>	IB-PYP Lighthouse Leadership and Facilities Vacation*
<b>July 29, 2019</b>	IB PYP Lighthouse Leadership and Facilities Report*

**IMPORTANT NOTES:**

1. EARLY DISMISSAL FOR STUDENTS EVERY IS EVERY FRIDAY by 1:30PM BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 7, 2018. NO AIS/HOMEWORK HELP/TEAM PRACTICE ON FRIDAYS.
2. BOY SCOUTS AND GIRL SCOUTS (FRIDAYS – DATES TBD)
3. FRIDAY PROFESSIONAL LEARNING FOR STAFF BEGINS SEPTEMBER 7, 2018
  - 2PM – 3PM – SCHOOLWIDE - W/PRINCIPAL
  - 3PM – 4PM – IB-PYP PEDAGOGICAL AND LIGHTHOUSE TEAMS

**CAACS 2018-2019 BENCHMARK EXAMS**

<b>Benchmark Exam</b>	<b>Grades K-2</b>	<b>Grades 3-5</b>
<b>Math</b>	n/a	12/12 – 12/13
	2/6	2/6 – 2/7
	4/16	4/16 – 4/17
	6/12	6/12 – 6/13

<b>ELA</b>	2/7	1/30 – 1/31
	4/17	3/12 – 3/13
	6/5	6/5 – 6/6

**NY STATE ASSESSMENTS:**

- ELA – April 2 – April 4, 2019
- MATHEMATICS – May 1 – May 3, 2019
- NYSESLAT – May 8 – May 17, 2019 (Speaking)
- NYSESLAT – May 6 – May 17, 2019 (Writing)
- SCIENCE – MAY 22 – MAY 31, 2019 (Grade 4)

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