


# AUGUST 2011



## Athens City Schools System-Wide Calendar of Events

ACM-Athens City Middle  
BOE-Board of Education  
CP-City Park  
IS-Ingleside  
NC-North City  
WS-Westside  
KC-Kids Connection

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> KC-All sites meet at CP	<b>2</b> <b>No School</b> In-service Day  KC-All sites meet at CP	<b>3</b> <b>No School</b> In-service Day  KC-Closed	<b>4</b> <b>No School</b> In-service Day  ACM- 6th Grade Jumpstart 5:30 p.m., 7th Grade Jumpstart 7:00 p.m.  KC-Closed	<b>5</b> <b>Tennessee Sales Tax Holiday</b>  <b>No School</b> Professional Development Day  KC-Closed	<b>6</b> <b>Tennessee Sales Tax Holiday</b>
<b>7</b> <b>Tennessee Sales Tax Holiday</b>	<b>8</b> <b>No School</b> Teacher Work Day BOE-Meeting @ ACM 5:30 p.m. IS-Pre-k Family Night 5:00-6:00 p.m., Kindergarten Family Night 6:30-7:30 p.m. WS-Sneak Preview for 3rd and 4th Grade 4:00-5:30 p.m., Class rosters will be posted by 5:00 p.m.	<b>9</b> <b>First Day of School, Abbreviated Day</b> (Dismissal Schedule: ACMS-11:45 a.m., CP, IS, NC and WS -12:20 p.m.)  CP-Pre-k Family Night 5:00-6:00 p.m., Kindergarten Family Night 6:30-7:30 p.m.  KC-Open after-care only @ each site.	<b>10</b> <b>No School</b> Teacher Work Day  KC-Open at respective sites.	<b>11</b> <b>Students</b> Return to School  KC-Open at respective sites.	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> IS-Swim Day K and 1st Grade.	<b>18</b> CP-Open House 6:30 p.m.  IS-Swim Day K and 2nd Grade, PTO Open House 6:00 p.m.  WS-Open House 4:30-6:30 p.m.	<b>19</b> ACM-Softball Tournament TBA	<b>20</b> ACM-Softball Tournament TBA
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> KC- Open for Pre-K and K students before and after school.	<b>23</b> NC-Fall Pictures	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> ACM-Softball vs. Lake Forrest (A) 5:00 p.m. IS-Fruit for Fathers 7:50 a.m. NC-PTO Pizza and Open House @ 5:30 p.m., Open House until 7:00 p.m.	<b>26</b> ACM-Soccer vs. Lake Forrest (A) 4:30 p.m.  IS-Muffins for Moms 7:50 a.m.	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> ACM-Softball vs. Rhea County (H) 5:00 p.m., Soccer vs. C.C.S (A) 5:00 p.m. IS-Fall Pictures  Pre-TCAP Testing for Grades 2nd-8th System-wide	<b>30</b> ACM-Softball vs. Chilhowee (A) 6:00 p.m., Soccer vs. Ocoee (H) 4:45 p.m.  Pre-TCAP Testing for Grades 2nd-8th System-wide	<b>31</b> ACM-Fall Pictures  Pre-TCAP Testing for Grades 2nd-8th System-wide	<div data-bbox="1078 1730 1455 1990" data-label="Complex-Block" style="border: 2px dashed black; padding: 5px;"> <p>Published by: Julie Lofland Athens City Schools, Family Engagement Coordinator 1601 Palos Street Athens, TN 37303 www.athenscityschools.net 423-745-8719 loflandj@k12tn.net</p>  </div>		



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## Tips for Parents this School Year

### 10 Ways To Be Involved In Your Child's Education

1. **Make school a priority.** Schedule appointments and vacations outside of school hours.
2. **Expect your child to succeed in school.**
3. **Volunteer at your child's school.** Participate in your child's PTO and family engagement committees.
4. **Attend back-to-school night and parent teacher conferences.**
5. **Check your child's backpack and folders daily to stay informed of your child's assignments and progress in school.**
6. **Respect homework.** Sit with your child as he/she works. Show him/her that you take it seriously.
7. **Speak up.** If there's a problem at school, talk to your child's teacher immediately.
8. **Show your child you care about them.** Offer them encouragement and praise.
9. **Commit to staying involved in your child's education.**
10. **Celebrate!** Your child is learning more every day!

Source: Parent Institute

## Important Dates

**August 9-** Abbreviated Day, Classes Begin, and Registration  
Abbreviated Day Dismissal Schedule  
Middle School: 11:45 a.m.  
CP, IS, NC, WS- 12:20 p.m.

**August 11-** Second Day of School

**August 29-September 2**

Pre-TCAP Testing for 2nd-8th Grade  
System-wide

## Athens City Middle School Jump Start 2011-2012 School Year

All 6th and 7th Grade Parents and Students are encouraged to attend.



Thursday, August 4, 2011

6th Grade: 5:30 p.m.

7th Grade: 7:00 p.m.

## Kids' Connection



Athens City Schools before and after school program is available for students Prek-6th grade.

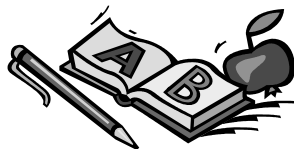
Our program strives to provide a safe, educationally enriching, fun and rewarding experience for all students of Athens City Schools during the hours where there may be no adult supervision in the home. Children will have the opportunity to engage in activities that will benefit them emotionally, physically, and educationally. The program includes crafts, sports and games, snacks, art and music, field trips, and many other creative and cultural activities. A special time each day is allotted for homework and tutorial assistance, if needed. The program is conducted and planned by staff trained to meet the needs of children and to provide positive adult role models.

For more information, contact Angie Dahle,  
Kids Connection Coordinator at 745-1796

## Parent Links

The Tennessee Department of Education has announced the launch of ReadTennessee.org, a website that will help teachers, parents, and community members understand new curriculum standards and increased expectations for learning. The online toolkits provide information on promoting early grades reading and accelerating student achievement for young students across the state.

Visit [www.ReadTennessee.org](http://www.ReadTennessee.org) to learn more.



**MISS  
SCHOOL  
MISS  
OUT**  
MAKE ATTENDANCE  
A DAILY HABIT!

## Pre-K and Kindergarten Family Night



Meet your child's Principal.

Meet the Pre-K and Kindergarten teachers and staff.

Take a tour of the School. Visit the library, cafeteria, gym, and classrooms.

Refreshments will be served.

**Ingleside School**  
Monday, August 8, 2011  
Pre-K: 5:00-6:00 p.m.  
Kindergarten: 6:30-7:30 p.m.

200 Guille Street Athens, 745-3671

**City Park School**  
Tuesday, August 9, 2011  
Pre-K: 5:00-6:00 p.m.  
Kindergarten: 6:30-7:30 p.m.

203 Keith Lane Athens, 745-3862