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Government Schools Release Key Dates for the Start of the New School Year

School Reopening, New Student Orientation and Exam Result Days

The Department of Education Services have released a schedule of key dates and important activities for the upcoming start of the new academic year. These dates mark key activities such as the dates when each school will reopen for new students, regularly enrolled students, dates when Year 11 and 12 students will receive their final exam results and the orientation days for all new and transfer students. These dates are relevant to all government schools including, primary and secondary level schools located on all three islands.

Orientation Days are scheduled to provide new students and their parents with essential information for successful integration into the new learning environment. Parents are required to accompany their children to Orientation Day, which is mandatory to attend by any student entering a government school for the very first time.

2020 School Reopening Dates

Date	Activity	Details
26 Aug	Classes begin onsite and online	All Nursery, Reception, Years 1, 2, 6, 7, 10, 11 report to school for onsite lessons. Students in Years 3, 4, 5, 8, 9 will resume online lessons. All Creek & Spot Bay Primary students report to school for onsite lessons.
26 Aug	Classes begin onsite and online	Cayman Brac - Layman E. Scott Snr. High Schools students in Years 7, 10, 11 & 12 will begin onsite classes; Years 8 & 9 will resume online classes.
26 Aug	Classes begin onsite	Grand Cayman – Lighthouse School (all students).

31 Aug	Classes begin onsite and online	Grand Cayman – John Gray High School, Clifton Hunter High School and Cayman Islands Further Education Centre Years 7, 10, 11, 12 report to school for onsite lessons. Students in Years 8 & 9 will resume online lessons
9 Sep	Online students move to onsite lessons	Students moving into Years 3, 4, 5, 8, 9 will return to school for in-person lessons

The orientation sessions with the exception of Lighthouse School will take place onsite on the 25 August. Years 8 & 9 students will attend orientation sessions online on the **25-27** August and their in-person classes will not resume until 9 September. Creek and Spot Bay Primary School is on split sites and all students will all return to school on the 26 August.

Mrs. Tammy Banks-DaCosta, Acting Director of DES, commented further on the matter, “As it stands now, the decision to hold the new student orientations onsite. Any changes will be communicated by 19 August.”

2020 New Student Orientation Time Schedules

Primary Schools

Date	Time	School	Details
25 August	8:30 AM - 11:00 AM	Theoline L. McCoy Primary	All NEW primary school students must report on Orientation Day. Parents/guardians must attend.
	9:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Creek & Spot Bay Primary	
	8:30 AM - 12:00 PM	East End Primary	
	9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Edna M. Moyle Primary	
	9:00 AM - 10:30 AM	George Town Primary	
	12:00 PM - 2:00 PM	George Town Primary (All Year 6 students).	
	10:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Little Cayman Education Services	Schools will communicate the online orientation times for Years 3, 4 & 5.
	9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Prospect Primary	
	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Red Bay Primary	
	8:30 AM - 10:30 AM	Savannah Primary	
	9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Sir. John A. Cumber Primary	
	11:00 AM - 12:00 AM	West End Primary	

The Lighthouse School

Date	Time	Activity	Details
24 & 25 August	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Online orientation for primary students (Years 1-6)	Orientation for students already on the register via zoom. Notification will be sent from the school directly to parents.
25 August	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Online orientation for secondary students (Years 7-12)	Orientation for students already on the register via zoom. Notification will be sent from the school directly to parents.
25 August	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Onsite orientation for all new students	Orientation meeting at LHS. Parents/Guardians to accompany their children.
26 August	8:00 AM	School reopens	For all current/previously enrolled and new students

John Gray High School (JGHS) and Clifton Hunter High School (CHHS)

Date	Time	Activity	Details
25 August	8:00 – 11:00 AM	Orientation for new and transfer students	Only new transfer students and not Year 7 students
26 August	8:00 AM – 2:50 PM	Year 7 orientation on campus Year 8 orientation online	On-Site orientation for parents and students led by Deputy Principals and Academy Senior Leaders Orientation via Microsoft Teams
27 August	8:00 AM – 2:50 PM	Year 9 students orientation online Year 10 students orientation on campus	Orientation via Microsoft Teams On-Site orientation led by Deputy Principals and Academy Senior Leaders
28 August	8:00 AM – 2:50 PM	Year 11 students orientation on campus	On-Site orientation led by Deputy Principals and Academy Senior Leaders
31 August	8:00 AM – 2:50 PM	Years 7, 10 and 11 resume lessons on campus Years 8 and 9 resume lessons online .	First full day of classes for Years 7, 10, and Online lessons via Microsoft Teams
9 September	8:00 AM – 2:50 PM	Full resumption of lessons on campus for all years. Years 8 and 9 students resume on campus.	All students attend lesson on-site

Important* JGHS students being dropped off by bus or car must report to the gymnasium entrance and NOT the main school entrance until further notice.

Layman E. Scott Sr. High School (LSHS)

Date	Time	Activity	Details
24 August	9:00 - 10:00 AM	Orientation for Year 7 students	Parents and Year 7 students attend orientation session with SMT and Homeroom Tutors
24 August	10:00 – 11:30 AM	Orientation for UCCI Dual Entry & Vocational Studies students	SMT meets with students enrolled in the Dual Entry program and those re-sitting subjects (for course selection and registration)
25 August	10:00 AM -12:00 PM	Orientation for New/Transfer students	Orientation session with SMT for all <i>new/transfer</i> students
25 August	10:00 AM -12:00 PM	Online Orientation Years 8 & 9	Orientation via Microsoft Teams
26 August	8:00 AM	Distance Learning at home begins for students in Year 8 & 9	Live lessons via Microsoft Teams
26 August	8:00 AM	School reopens for Years 7, 10, 11 & Year 12 (Vocational Studies students)	
31 August	8:00 AM	Classes begin for UCCI Dual Entry students	First day of classes for UCCI Dual Entry students
9 September	8:00 AM	School reopens for students in Years 8 & 9	First day in the physical classroom

Cayman Islands Further Education Centre

Date	Time	Activity	Details
26 August	8:30 AM	Class introduction for Year 12 students	Students will come in based on the letter of their last name for consultation and guidance on choosing courses. 8:30 – 10:30 A-D 12:00 – 2:00 E-H
27 August	8:30 AM	Class introduction for Year 12 students	8:30 – 10:30 I-L 12:00 – 2:00 M-P
28 August	8:30 AM	Class introduction for Year 12 students	8:30 – 10:30 Q-T 12:00- 2:00 -U-Z
31 August	8:00 AM	Classes start for students.	

Release of External Exam Results (electronically)

Dates	Year group	Exam Boards
27 August	Year 12	UK Boards (Cambridge, BTEC)
25 September	Year 12	CXC External Examinations
25 September	Year 11	CXC External Examinations

The complete 2020/2021 academic school calendar can be accessed on the DES website by visiting schools.edu.ky