



ECS Update

January 2026

*Partnering with Parents in the Lives of Their Children
for the sake of the gospel to the Glory of God*

Calendar Notes

Reaching the Office during Christmas Break

The Engleside office closes after our noon dismissal on Friday, December 19, and reopens when classes resume on Monday, January 5. If you need to contact the school office during the Christmas break, please email us at administration@englesidechristianschool.org.

Semester Break

ECS is closed on Monday, January 19 in observance of MLK Day and holds a teacher workday (no extended care or classes) on Tuesday, January 20. Third quarter classes will begin on Wednesday, January 21.

Heads Up: Fill the Bus

We will be partnering with the local thrift store as a fundraising effort. Gather all your old clothes, books, or household items. We hope to fill the bus to bring items to 2nd Avenue, and they will pay us for the items we provide. More details will be coming later this spring.

Reminders

Re-enrollment Information

ECS will release financial and reenrollment information for the 2026-27 school year in late January. As in the past, ECS will offer reduced re-enrollment fees prior to opening enrollment to the public. Please spread the word about ECS to your friends and invite them to inquire about next school year in early February.

Inclement Weather Policy Reminder

ECS will notify WTOP (103.5FM and wtop.com) of its inclement weather closings as well as send a TEP notification. Please be sure you are connected to the app and notifications are turned on so that you do not miss an announcement this winter. When Fairfax County Public Schools announce a cancellation or delay due to inclement weather, ECS follows their decision and adjusts its schedule accordingly:

Delayed Entry: Extended care opens for registered users at 8:45 AM. Doors open for student entry at 10:00 AM with classes starting at 10:15.

School Cancellation: No extended care or classes will meet. The school office will be closed.

Early Dismissal: ECS will serve a regular lunch to students and close at 1:10 PM. Extended care will be cancelled. Parents may pick up their children without penalty any time after the FCPS decision has been announced. Students must be picked up by 1:25 PM. We encourage parents to find emergency contacts near ECS who can pick up your children if the weather or work schedules will not allow you to pick up your child before ECS closes.

Please Note: ECS does not observe FCPS calendar adjustments relating to inclement weather. ECS will evaluate its return to classes separately from FCPS after extended inclement weather closures.