

## RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS

In accordance with State Law regarding pupil absence from school because of religious holidays, these rules and regulations will be followed:

1. Any pupil absent from school because of a religious holiday may not be deprived of any award or of eligibility or opportunity to compete for any award because of such absence;
2. Pupils who miss a test or examination because of absence on a religious holiday must be given the right to take an alternate test or examination;
3. To be entitled to the privileges set forth above, the pupil must present a written excuse signed by a parent or person standing in place of a parent;
4. Any absence because of a religious holiday must be recorded in the school register or in any group or class attendance record as an excused absence;
5. Such absence must NOT be recorded on any transcript, application, or employment form or on any similar form.

### **The following is a list of religious holidays for the 2021-2022 school year:**

September 3-10	Paryushana (Jain)
September 6-8	Rosh Hashanah (Jewish)
September 7	His Holiness Sakya Trizin's Birthday (Buddhist); Feast of Trumpets (Church of God, Philadelphia Church of God)
September 7-29	Sh-mini Atzeret (Jewish)
September 8	Nativity of Mary (Christian)
September 10	Ganesh Chaturthi (Hindu)
September 16	Yom Kippur (Jewish); Day of Atonement (Christian, Church of God, Philadelphia Church of God)
September 21	Nativity of the Theotokos (Eastern Orthodox Christian)
September 21-27	Sukkot (Jewish); Feast of Tabernacles (Church of God, Philadelphia Church of God)
September 21-29	Mabon (Wicca/Pagan)
September 27	Elevation of the Holy Cross (Eastern Orthodox Christian); Chehlum Iman Hussain (Islam Dawoodi Bohra)
September 28	Last Great Day (Church of God, Philadelphia Church of God)
September 29	Simchat Torah (Jewish)
October 7-15	Navartri (Hindu)
October 18	Milad an-Nabi (Islam Dawoodi Bohra)
October 19	Maulid al-Nabi (Islam)
October 20	Installation of the Scriptures as Guru Granth (Sikh); Birth of B'ab (Bah'i)
October 22	Urus-Syedna Mohammed Burhanuddin (Islam Dawoodi Bohra)
November 1	All Saints' Day (Christian); Samhain-Beltane (Wicca)
November 2	All Souls' Day (Christian)
November 5	Goverdhan Puja (Hindu)
November 7	Birth of Baha'u'llah (Baha'i)
November 9	Milad Imam-uz-Zamaan (Islam Dawoodi Bohra)
November 12-16	Diwali (Hindu, Jain, Puja, Deepavali and Sikh)
November 21	The Presentation of the Theotokos to the Temple (Eastern Orthodox Christian)
November 24	Guru Tegh Bahadur Martyrdom (Sikh)
November 25	Day of the Covenant (Baha'i); Milad Syedna Mohammed Burhanuddin (Islam Dawoodi Bohra)
November 27	Ascension of 'Abdu'l Baha (Baha'i)
November 28	Nativity Fast begins (Eastern Orthodox Christian); First Sunday of Advent (Christian)
Nov. 28-Dec. 6	Hanukkah (Jewish)
November 29	Guru Nanak Dev Sahib Birthday (Sikh)
December 8	Immaculate Conception (Christian)
December 21-22	Yule (Wicca and Christian)
December 25	Christmas (Christian); The Nativity of Christ (Eastern Orthodox Christian)
December 26	Zarathosht Diso (Zoroastrian)
January 1	Gantan-sai (Shinto); Mary, Mother of God-Cathloic Christian
January 3-10	Holy Convocation (Church of God and Saints of Christ)
January 5	Birthday of Guru Gobind Singh Sahib (Sikh)
January 6	Feast of Epiphany (Christian); Feast of Theophany (Eastern Orthodox Christian); Nativity of Christ (Armenian Orthodox)
January 7	Feast of the Nativity (Eastern Orthodox Christian)
January 10	Bodhi Day (Buddhist)
January 13	Maghi (Sikh)
January 14	Makar Sankranti and Pongal (Hindu)
January 16	World Religion Day (Baha'i)
January 17	Tu B'shvat (Jewish)
February 1	Chinese/Lunar New Year (Confucian, Daoist, Buddhist)
February 2	The Presentation of Our Lord to the Temple (Eastern Orthodox Christian); Imbolc-Candlemas (Wicca & Christian)
February 3-12	Midwinter Ceremonies (Native American)
February 5	Vasant Panchami (Hindu)

February 15	Nirvana Day (Buddhist)
February 16	Ayyam al Beez (Islam Dawoodi Bohra)
February 17	Jonah's Passover (Eastern Orthodox Church)
February 20	Urus-Syedna Taher Saifuddin (Islam Dawoodi Bohra)
Feb. 26-March 1	Intercalary Days (Baha'i)
February 28	Yawm al-Mab'ath (Islam Dawoodi Bohra)
March 1	Shrove Tuesday (Christian); Maha Shivaratri (Hindu); Lailat al Miraj (Islam)
March 2	Ash Wednesday (Christian)
March 7	Clean Monday (Eastern Orthodox Christian)
March 13	L. Ron Hubbard's Birthday (Church of Scientology)
March 17	Purim (Jewish)
March 18	Holi (Hindu); Hola Mohalla (Sikh)
March 19	Lailat al Bara'ah (Islam)
March 20	Ostara (Wicca)
March 21	Naw-Ryz (Baha'i)
March 22	Nowruz *Zoroastrian)
March 25	The Annunciation of the Theotokos (Eastern Orthodox Christian) ; The Annunciation of the Virgin Mary (Christian)
March 26	Khordad Sal (Zoroastrian)
April 1	Souramana Yugadi (Hindu); Chandramana Yugadi (Hindu)
April 2-May 1	Ramadan (Islam)
April 8	Visakha Puja (Buddhist); Buddha's Birthday/Buddha Day-Buddha Day
April 10	Palm Sunday; Ramnavami (Hindu)
April 13-20	Memorial of the Feast of the Lord's Passover (Church of God and Saints of Christ)
April 14	Holy Thursday (Christian);Mahavir Jayanti (Jain)
April 15	Holy Friday (Christian); Passover/Days of Unleavened Bread (Church of God and Saints of Christ); Lord's Evening Meal (Christian, Jehovah's Witness); Passover (United Church of God)
April 15-22	Passover (Jewish)
April 16	Lazarus Saturday (Eastern Orthodox Christian); Theravadin New Year (Buddhist); First Day of Unleavened Bread (Church of God)
April 16-22	Days of Unleavened Bread (Philadelphia Church of God)
April 17	Easter (Christian); Palm Sunday (Eastern Orthodox Christian)
April 18	Easter Monday (Christian)
April 20	First Day of Ridvan (Baha'i); Shahadat – Amirul Mumineen (Islam Dawoodi Bohra)
April 21	Holy Thursday (Eastern Orthodox Christian)
April 22	Holy Friday (Eastern Orthodox Christian); The Last Friday of the Great Lent (Eastern Orthodox Church); Last Day of Unleavened Bread (Church of God)
April 23-24	Laylatul Qadr (Islam Dawoodi Bohra)
April 24	Easter (Eastern Orthodox Christian); Milad Syedna Mufaddal Saifuddin (Islam Dawoodi Bohra)
April 25	The 11 <sup>th</sup> Panchen Lama's Birthday (Buddhist); Bright Monday (Eastern Orthodox Christian)
April 26	Hanuman Jayanti (Hindu)
April 28	Ninth Day of Ridvan (Baha'i); Laylatul Qadr (Islam)
April 29	Aakhir Jumo'a (Islam Dawoodi Bohra)
May 1	Beltane (Wicca); Twelfth Day of Ridvan (Baha'i)
May 2	Eid al-Fitr (Islam Dawoodi Bohra)
May 3	Eid al Fitr (Islam)
May 5-6	Yom Ha'Azmaut (Jewish)
May 19	Lag B-Omer (Jewish)
May 24	Declaration of the Bab (Baha'i)
May 26	Ascension of Our Lord (Christian)
May 29	Ascension of Baha'u'llah (Baha'i)
June 5	Pentecost (Christian)
June 4-6	Shavuot (Jewish)
June 12	Pentecost (Eastern Orthodox Christian)
June 16	Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev Sahib (Sikh)
June 20	Fast of the Holy Apostles (Eastern Orthodox Christian)