

## Religious Holidays & Observances June 2024-December 2025

## Considerations:

- This calendar is **not** an exhaustive list of religions/cultures/holidays/observances.
- Many religions/cultures use lunar calendars; therefore, dates are not fixed because they depend on the actual sighting of the moon. There may be variance.
- Students of a given religion or culture will not necessarily participate in all observances listed.
- Students of a given religion or culture will participate in observances in various ways.
- Open communication among administrators, families, and students regarding cultural and religious considerations will foster a culturally responsive learning environment.
- Advice from our BOE DEI Advisory Committee has been added to the "Notes" section to help with event planning.
- Any questions, concerns, or possible errors should be sent to Kelly Wessel or Jennifer Smith.

Holiday/Observance	Religion	Dates - 2024	Notes
Shavuot	Judaism	June 11-13, 2024*	
Eid al-Adha	Islam	June 16, 2024*#	
Al-Hijra or Muharram	Islam	July 7-July 8, 2024*#	
Ashura	Islam	July 16, 2024*#	
Asalha Puja	Buddhism	July 21, 2024#	
Obon/Ullambana	Buddhism/Shinto	August 13-15, 2024	
Raksha Bandhan	Hinduism	August 19, 2024	
Krishna Janmashtami	Hinduism	August 26, 2024	
Ganesh Chaturthi	Hinduism	September 7, 2024	
Milad Un-Nabi	Islam	September 15, 2024*#	
Rosh Hashanah	Judaism	October 2-4, 2024*	Students & staff may be absent. Please try to avoid evening activities.
Yom Kippur	Judaism	October 11-12, 2024*	Students & staff may be absent. Please try to avoid evening activities.
Dussehra	Hinduism	October 12, 2024	
Sukkot	Judaism	October 16-18, 2024*	
Guru Granth Sahib Birthday	Sikhism	October 20, 2024	
Shemini Atzeret	Judaism	October 23-24, 2024*	
Simchat Torah	Judaism	October 24-25, 2024*	
Diwali	Hinduism & Sikhism	November 1, 2024	Students & staff may be absent. Please try to avoid evening activities.
All Saint's Day	Christian	November 1, 2024	
Guru Nanak Dev Sahib Birthday	Sikhism	November 15, 2024	
Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur	Sikhism	November 24, 2024	
Bodhi Day	Buddhism	December 8, 2024	
Christmas	Christian	December 25, 2024	

Hanukkah	Judaism	December 25, 2024- January 2, 2025*	
Kwanzaa	Interfaith	December 26, 2024- January 1, 2025	
Epiphany	Christian	January 6, 2025	
Maghi Lori	Sikhism	January 13, 2025	
Lunar New Year	Confucian, Daoist, Buddhist	January 29, 2025	Students & staff may be absent.
Magha Puja Day	Buddhism	February 12, 2025#	Students & staff may be absent.
Maha Shivaratri	Hinduism	February 26, 2025	
Ramadan	Islam	March 1 - March 29, 2025*#	Please avoid hosting food-specific events or celebrations.
Ash Wednesday	Christian	March 5, 2025	Please try to avoid evening activities
Purim	Judaism	March 13-14, 2025*	
Holi	Hinduism	March 14, 2025	Students and staff may be absent.
Hola Mohalla	Sikhism	March 14-16, 2025	
Chaitra Navratri	Hinduism	March 30-April 27, 2025	
Eid al Fitr	Islam	March 30, 2025#	Students & staff may be absent.
Rama Navami	Hinduism	April 6, 2025	
Passover	Judaism	April 12-20, 2025*	If hosting an event or celebration with food, please align with kosher practices. Please try to avoid evening activities on the first two nights. Students and staff may be absent.
Palm Sunday	Christian	April 13, 2025	,
Vaishakhi/Vishu/Mesadi	Hinduism/Sikhism	April 14, 2025	
Holy Thursday	Christian	April 17, 2025	
Good Friday	Christian	April 18, 2025	Please try to avoid evening activities.
Easter	Christian	April 20, 2025	
Pascha (Orthodox Easter)	Christian	April 20, 2025	
Birthday of Guru Angad Dev	Sikhism	April 28, 2025	
Visakha Puja/Buddha Day	Buddhism	May 5, 2025	
Shavuot	Judaism	June 1-3, 2025*	
Eid al-Adha	Islam	June 6, 2025*	
Al-Hijra or Muharram	Islam	June 26-27, 2025*#	
Ashura	Islam	July 5, 2025*#	
Asalha Puja	Buddhism	July 10, 2025#	

Obon/Ullambana	Buddhism/Shinto	July 13-15, 2025	
Raksha Bandhan	Hinduism	August 9, 2025	
Krishna Janmashtami	Hinduism	August 15, 2025	
Ganesh Chaturthi	Hinduism	August 26, 2025	
Milad Un-Nabi	Islam	September 5, 2025	
Rosh Hashanah	Judaism	September 22-24, 2025*	Students & staff may be absent. Please try to avoid evening activities.
Yom Kippur	Judaism	October 1-2, 2025*	Students & staff may be absent. Please try to avoid evening activities.
Dussehra	Hinduism	October 2, 2025	
Sukkot	Judaism	October 6-13, 2025*	
Shemini Atzeret	Judaism	October 13-15, 2025*	
Simchat Torah	Judaism	October 14-15, 2025*	
Diwali	Hinduism & Sikhism	October 20, 2025	Students & Staff may be absent. Please try to avoid evening activities.
Guru Granth Sahib Birthday	Sikhism	October 23, 2025	
All Saints' Day	Christianity	November 1, 2025	
Guru Nanak Dev Sahib Birthday	Sikhism	November 5, 2025	
Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur	Sikhism	November 24, 2025	
Bodhi Day	Buddhism	December 8, 2025	
Hanukkah	Judaism	December 14-22, 2025*	
Christmas	Christian	December 25, 2025	
Kwanzaa	Interfaith	December 26, 2025- January 1, 2026	

<sup>\*</sup> Holy days start at sundown of the beginning date and end at sundown or nightfall of the concluding date.

<sup>#</sup> Some dates are not fixed to a calendar because they are based on the actual sightings of the moon; there may be some variance by a day. Some dates vary by region/location.