

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 a variety of 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 - 2023	Notes
Eid al-Adha	Islam	June 28, 2023* #	
Asalha Puja	Buddhism	July 3, 2023#	
Al-Hijra or Muharram	Islam	July 18-August 16, 2023* #	
Ashura	Islam	July 27, 2023* #	
Obon/Ullambana	Buddhism/Shinto	August 13-15, 2023	
Raksha Bandhan	Hinduism	August 30, 2023	
Krishna Janmashtami	Hinduism	September 6, 2023	
Rosh Hashanah	Judaism	September 15-17, 2023*	Students & staff may be absent. Please try to avoid evening activities.
Ganesh Chaturthi	Hinduism	September 19, 2023	
Yom Kippur	Judaism	September 24-25, 2023*	Students & staff may be absent. Please try to avoid evening activities.
Milad Un-Nabi	Islam	September 27, 2023 * #	
Sukkot	Judaism	September 29-October 1, 2023*	
Shemini Atzeret	Judaism	October 6-7, 2023*	
Simchat Torah	Judaism	October 7-8, 2023*	
Guru Granth Sahib Birthday	Sikhism	October 20, 2023	
Dussehra	Hinduism	October 24, 2023	
All Saint's Day	Christian	November 1, 2023	
Diwali	Hinduism & Sikhism	November 12, 2023	Students & staff may be absent. Please try to avoid evening activities.
Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur	Sikhism	November 24, 2023	
Guru Nanak Dev Sahib Birthday	Sikhism	November 27, 2023	
Hanukkah	Judaism	December 7-15, 2023*	
Bodhi Day	Buddhism	December 8, 2023	
Christmas	Christian	December 25, 2023	
Kwanzaa	Interfaith	December 26-January 1	

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Epiphany	Christian	January 6, 2024	
Maghi Lohri	Sikhism	January 13, 2024	
Lunar New Year	Confucian, Daoist, Buddhist	February 10, 2024	Students & staff may be absent.
Ash Wednesday	Christian	February 14, 2024	Please try to avoid evening activities.
Magha Puja Day	Buddhism	February 24, 2024#	Students & staff may be absent.
Maha Shivaratri	Hinduism	March 8, 2024	
Ramadan	Islam	March 11-April 9, 2024*#	Please avoid hosting food-specific events or celebrations.
Purim	Judaism	March 23-24, 2024*	
Palm Sunday	Christian	March 24, 2024	
Holi	Hinduism	March 25, 2024	Students & staff may be absent
Hola Mohalla	Sikhism	March 25-27, 2024	
Holy Thursday	Christian	March 28, 2024	
Good Friday	Christian	March 29, 2024	Please try to avoid evening activities.
Easter	Christian	March 31, 2024	
Navratri	Hinduism	April 9-April 17, 2024#	
Eid al Fitr	Islam	April 10, 2024*#	Students & staff may be absent.
Passover	Judaism	April 12-20, 2024*	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.
Vaisakhi/Vishu/Mesadi	Hinduism/Sikhism	April 13, 2024	
Rama Navami	Hinduism	April 17, 2024#	
Birthday of Guru Angad Dev	Sikhism	April 18, 2024	
Pascha (Orthodox Easter)	Christian	May 5, 2024	
Visakha Puja/Buddha Day	Buddhism	May 22, 2024#	
Shavuot	Judaism	June 1-3, 2024*	
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* Holy days start at sundown of the beginning date and end at sundown or nightfall of the concluding date.

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