

Religious and Creed-Based Days of Observance (Summary)

Text version

January – December 2025

The following list includes religious and / or creed-based dates of observance and celebrations that may require students and / or staff to be absent from school or work. When requesting a religious or creed-based accommodation, staff and students are invited to review and follow the steps outlined in the following procedures.

- [Religious and Creed-Based Accommodation of Staff Procedure](#)
- [Religious and Creed-Based Accommodation of Students Procedure](#)

Staff are to be mindful of the dates that students may be absent from school and should not plan assignments, tests or curriculum extensions on these dates.

* Please note: The following list may not be exhaustive. Staff are encouraged to prioritize cultural humility by getting to know students and when they might be absent from school when planning assignments, tests or curriculum extensions for students.

** Please note: Some dates may change slightly depending on lunar sighting.

January 2025

January 1	Gantan-Sai; Japan, Shinto
January 5	Guru Gobind Singh's Birthday; Sikh
January 6	Christmas; Christian, Armenia
January 6	Three Kings' Day; Christian
January 6	Epiphany; Christian
January 7	Christmas; Christian - Coptic & Eastern Orthodox
January 13	Lohri; Sikh, Hindu
January 14	New Year; Eastern Orthodox Christian - Coptic & Eastern Orthodox
January 19	Timkat / Theophany; Christian - Coptic & Eastern Orthodox
January 19	Sultán (17th Month); Bahá'í
January 29	Chinese / Lunar New Year; China, Buddhist, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Vietnam
January 29	Seollal; Korea

February 2025

February 2	Imbolg; Wicca
February 2	Basant Panchami; Hindu

February 7	Mulk (18th Month); Bahá'í
February 13	Tu B'Shevat (Arbor Day); Jewish
February 25	Intercalary Days (thru Mar 1); Bahá'í
February 26	Shivratri; Hindu
February 28	Losar (New Year Tibet); Tibet, Buddhist

March 2025

March 1	Ramadan Begins; Islam
March 2	Alá (19-Day Fast Begins thru Mar 20); Bahá'í
March 3	Great Prayer Festival; Tibet, Buddhist
March 3	Clean Monday (Great Lent Begins); Christian - Coptic & Eastern Orthodox
March 4	Shrove Tuesday; Christian
March 5	Ash Wednesday (Lent Begins); Christian
March 14	Holi; Sikh, Hindu
March 14	Purim; Jewish
March 15	Hola Mohalla (Bikarami); Sikh
March 19	St. Joseph's Day; Christian
March 20	Now Ruz (New Year); Afghanistan, Bahá'í, Iran
March 20	Eostre; Wicca
March 20	Shunki-Sorei-Sai; Shinto
March 21	Now Ruz (New Year); Zoroastrian, Islam Ismaili
March 25	Annunciation; Christian
March 26	Birth Of Prophet Zarathustra (Fasli); Zoroastrian
March 26	Laylat al-Qadr; Islam
March 31	Eid-ul-Fitr; Islam

April 2025

April 2	Jalál (2nd Month); Bahá'í
April 2	Yazidi New Year
April 6	Organization of The Church; Christian – Mormon
April 6	Ram Navami; Hindu
April 10	Mahavira Jayanti; Jain
April 13	Pesach /Passover (Apr 23 - Apr 30); Jewish
April 13	Palm Sunday; Christian
April 13	Songkran/New Year; Thailand, Sri Lanka, Myanmar, India, Cambodia
April 14	Baisakhi; Bangladesh, Sikh, Hindu
April 17	Holy Thursday; Christian
April 17	Maundy Thursday; Christian - Coptic & Eastern Orthodox
April 18	Good Friday; Christian
April 18	Holy Friday; Christian - Coptic & Eastern Orthodox

April 20	Pasha/Easter; Christian - Coptic & Eastern Orthodox
April 20	Easter; Christian
April 21- May 1	Feast Of Ridvan; Bahá'í
April 21	Easter Monday; Christian
April 21	Easter Monday; Christian - Coptic & Eastern Orthodox
April 27	Jamál (3rd Month); Bahá'í
April 30	Akshaya Tritiya; Jain

May 2025

May 1	Beltane; Wicca
May 12	Wesak; Buddhist
May 16	Ázamat (4th Month); Bahá'í
May 23	Declaration of Báb; Bahá'í
May 29	Ascension of Bahá'u'lláh; Bahá'í
May 29	Ascension; Christian

June 2025

June 2-3	Shavuot; Jewish
June 4	Núr (5th Month); Bahá'í
June 5	Day of Hajj (Day of Arafat); Islam
June 6	Eid-ul-Adha; Islam
June 8	Pentecost; Christian
June 8	Pentecost; Christian - Coptic & Eastern Orthodox
June 16	Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev; Sikh
June 21	National Indigenous Peoples Day
June 21	Litha; Wicca
June 23	Rahmat (6 th month); Bahá'í
June 26	1st Muharram - Islamic New Year; Islam
June 29-July 3	Gahambar Maidyoshem; Zoroastrian

July 2025

July 6	Ashura; Islam
July 10	Martyrdom of The Báb; Bahá'í
July 10	Guru Purnima; Jain, Hindu
July 11	Imamat w; Islam Ismaili
July 11	Wassana / Dhamma Day; Buddhist
July 12	Katimát (7th month); Bahá'í

July 24	Pioneer Day; Christian – Mormon
July 30	Oh-Harai-Taisai; Shinto
July 31	Kamál (8th Month); Bahá'í

August 2025

August 1	Lugnasad; Wicca
August 2	Ilinden; Macedonia
August 3	Tish'a B'Av; Jewish
August 9	Asmá (9th Month); Bahá'í
August 9	Raksha Bandhan; Hindu
August 15	Assumption; Christian
August 16	Janmashtami; Hindu
August 18	Now Ruz (Shenshai); Zoroastrian
August 24	Birth of Prophet Zarathustra (Shenshai); Zoroastrian
August 27	Ganesh Chaturthi; Hindu
August 28	Samvatsari; Jain
August 28	Dashalakshani-Parva; Jain
August 31-Sept. 8	Paryushana-Parva; Jain

September 2025

September 3	Eid-Maulad-un-Nabi; Islam
September 6	Ananta-Chaturdasi; Jain
September 7	Ksamavani; Jain
September 8	Ízzat (10th Month); Bahá'í
September 22	Mabon; Wicca
September 23-24	Rosh Hashana; Jewish
September 23	Navratri; Hindu
September 27	Mashiyyat (11th Month); Bahá'í
September 30	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
September 30	Durga Puja; Hindu

October 2025

October 2	Yom Kippur; Jewish
October 2	Dussehra; Nepal, Hindu
October 6	Pavarana; Buddhist
October 7-13	Sukkot; Jewish
October 7	Kathina; Buddhist
October 10	Karva Chauth; Hindu
October 14	Shemini Atzeret; Jewish
October 15	Simchat Torah; Jewish
October 15	'Ilm (12th Month); Bahá'í

October 21	Diwali; Sikh, Hindu
October 21	Mahavira Nirvana; Jain
October 31	Samhain; Wicca

November 2025

November 1	All Saints' Day; Christian
November 2	All Souls Day; Christian
November 2	Birthday Of The Báb; Bahá'í
November 3	Birth Of Bahá'u'lláh; Bahá'í
November 4	Qudrat (13th Month); Bahá'í
November 5	Guru Nanak's Birthday (Bikarami); Sikh
November 5	Lokashah Jayanti; Jain
November 22	Qawl (14th Month); Bahá'í
November 24	Martyrdom of Guru Teg Bahadur; Sikh
November 26	Day of Covenant; Bahá'í
November 28	Ascension Of Abdu'l-Bahá; Bahá'í
November 30	First Sunday of Advent; Christian

December 2025

December 6	St. Nicholas Day; Christian
December 8	Bodhi Day; Buddhist
December 9	Feast of the Immaculate Conception; Christian
December 11	Masa'll (15th Month); Bahá'í
December 13	Aga Khan's Birthday; Islam Ismaili
December 15-22	Hannukah; Jewish
December 22	Tohji-Tasai; Shinto
December 22	Yule; Wicca
December 23	Joseph Smith's Birthday; Christian – Mormon
December 25	Christmas Day; Christian
December 26	Death of Prophet Zarathustra; Zoroastrian
December 30	Sharaf (16th Month); Bahá'í
December 31-Jan. 4	Gahambar Maidyarem; Zoroastrian