Needham Public Schools Legal, Cultural and Religious Holidays 2022-2023 School Year

Families and staff in the Needham Public Schools represent diverse cultures, religions and countries of origin. Our school calendar conveys information to the community about when school is in session; however, there are additional days in the school year during which families observe holidays that may require students to be absent from school. Such observances will be considered excused absences from school, and all efforts will be made to assist students to make up work they may miss as a result of their absence. When students will be absent from school for such celebrations, families are encouraged to contact their child's teacher in advance.

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<u>July</u>

4 Independence Day

<u>August</u>

31 Ganesh Chaturthi

<u>September</u>

5 Labor Day (No School)

26 Rosh Hashanah (9/25 - 9/26; No School on 9/26)

<u>October</u>

5 Yom Kippur (10/4 – 10/5; No School on 10/5) 5 Dussehra/Durga Puja/Vijaya Dashami 9 Sukkot Begins (10/9 – 10/16)

10 Indigenous Peoples Day (No School)

24 Diwali/Deepavali

November

11 Veteran's Day (No School)

24 Thanksgiving (No School)

December

18 Hanukkah Begins (12/18-12/26)

25 Christmas

26 Kwanzaa Begins (12/26 - 1/1)

2023

<u>January</u>

1 New Year's Day (No School 1/2 Observed)

15 Makar Sankranti/Pongal

16 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (No School)

22 Chinese New Year

<u>February</u>

20 Washington's Birthday/Presidents Day (No School)

March

7 Purim (3/6-3/7)

8 Holi

22 Ramadan Begins (3/22 – 4/21)

<u>April</u>

5 Passover Begins (4/5 - 4/13)

7 Good Friday (No School)

9 Easter

14 Vaisakhi

14 Orthodox Good Friday

16 Orthodox Easter

17 Patriot's Day (No School)

21 Eid al Fitr/Eid ul-Fitr (4/21-4/22)

<u>May</u>

29 Memorial Day (No School)

June

19 Juneteenth Independence (No School if the school year is extended due to snow days)

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