

# 2022-2023 Partial List of Religious and Cultural Observances

(Occurring during the Academic Year)

The Lincoln Public Schools District is a culturally and religiously diverse community. While the schools are not closed on all religious holidays, it is the intention of the District to respect religious and cultural days that are significant to the students, families, and staff. The following list, although not exhaustive, includes many holidays that may require a student to be absent from school. Students who miss schoolwork because of an excused absence, including absence(s) for religious observance, should not be expected to complete homework, study for tests, or do other schoolwork during their absence(s). They shall be given the opportunity to complete assignments and tests within a reasonable time, based on the circumstances. These absences should be managed in the same manner as absences for other excused reasons, including informing the school of the absence, talking with teachers about the absence(s) and missed work, etc. (Ref: [Policy IMDB](#), *Accommodations for Religious and Cultural Observances*).

Please contact the Lincoln Public Schools with information about any religious day not listed below, for inclusion in future lists.

Month	Name of Holiday	Religion	Date(s)
<b>September 2022</b>	Labor Day		September 5
	Autumnal Equinox		September 22
	Rosh Hashanah*	Jewish	September 25-27
	Navratri	Hindu	September 26-October 5
<b>October</b>	Yom Kippur*	Jewish	October 5
	Dassera	Hindu	October 5
	Mawlid al-Nabi	Islamic	October 8
	Indigenous Peoples' Day		October 10
	Sukkot*	Jewish	October 10-16
	Shemini Atzeret*	Jewish	October 17
	Simchat Torah*	Jewish	October 18
	Diwali	Hindu	October 24
	Bestu Varas	Hindu	October 26
	Halloween		October 31
	<b>November</b>	Birth of Báb	Bahá'í
Veterans Day			November 11
Thanksgiving Day			November 24
<b>December</b>	Chanukah*	Jewish	December 19-26
	Winter Solstice		December 21
	Christmas Day	Christian	December 25
	Kwanzaa	African American	December 26-January 1
<b>January 2023</b>	New Year's Day		January 1
	Christmas (Orthodox)	Orthodox Christian	January 7
	Pongal	Hindu	January 15-18
	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day		January 16
	Lunar New Year	Chinese, Korean, Vietnamese	January 22
<b>February</b>	Maha Shivaratri	Hindu	February 18
	Presidents' Day		February 20
	International Mother Language Day		February 21
	Ash Wednesday, Beginning of Lent	Christian	February 22
	Beginning of Great Lent	Orthodox Christian	February 27
<b>March</b>	Purim*	Jewish	March 6-7
	Holi	Hindu	March 8
	Vernal Equinox		March 20
	Bahá'í Naw-Rúz	Bahá'í	March 21
	Ramadan*	Islamic	March 22-April 21
	Rama Navami	Hindu	March 30
<b>April</b>	Passover*	Jewish	April 5-13
	Holy Thursday ( <i>Maundy Thursday</i> )	Christian	April 6
	Good Friday	Christian	April 7
	Easter	Christian	April 9
	Orthodox Easter	Orthodox Christian	April 16
	Patriots' Day		April 17
	Laila Al-Qadr*	Islamic	April 18
	Eid al-Fitr (End of Ramadan)*	Islamic	April 22
	Ascension	Christian	May 18
<b>May</b>	Declaration of the Báb	Bahá'í	May 24
	Shavuot*	Jewish	May 25-27
	Ascension of the Baha'u'llah*	Bahá'í	May 29
	Memorial Day		May 29
<b>June</b>	Juneteenth		June 19
	Summer Solstice		June 21

\*Holiday begins at sundown.