# Lincoln Public Schools, Lincoln, MA Academic Year Calendar 2020-2021 <br> School Begins Before Labor Day- FIRST DRAFT December 12, 2019 



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Grades K-8
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Preschool @ Hanscom

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Morning Session: M thru F 8:00-10:30
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## Version 1 - School Begins September 2nd (before Labor Day September 7th)

\# S Days taking into account:

August 20190
September 19
October 21
November 17
December 17
January $2021 \quad 19$
February 15
March 23
April
May
June
17
20
12
180

NO SCHOOL on Mon. Nov. 30, 2020 for Institute Day

With school being open for a half day on Good Friday, April 2nd
w/No Snow Days, Last Day for Ss is Wednesday, 6/16; for Ts, Thursday 6/17
w/5 Snow Days, Last Day for Ss is Wednesday, 6/23; for Ts, Thursday, 6/24

Assumptions:
New teachers report on Thursday and Friday, August 27 and 28
All teachers report on Monday, August 31 and Tuesday, September 1
Grades I-8 begin Wednesday, September 2nd (half day)
Grades PreK-K begin on Thursday, September 3rd

Version 2 - School Begins September 8th (after Labor Day September 7th)
September \# S Days

October 21
November 17
December 17
January $2020 \quad 19$
February 15
March 23
April 17
May 20
June 15 180

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w/5 Snow Days, Last Day for Ss is Monday, 6/28; for Ts, Monday, 6/29

Assumptions:
New teachers report on August 31 and September 1
All teachers report on September 2 \& 3
Grades I-8 begin Tuesday, September 8
Grades PreK-K begin on Wednesday, September 9 (half day)

Key: S = Student; $T=$ Teacher

## 2020-2021 Partial List of Religious and Cultural Celebrations <br> (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) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| August 2020 | Ashura* | Islam | August 29 |
| September | Rosh Hashanah* | Jewish | September 19, 20 |
|  | Betsu Varas | Hindu | September 17 |
|  | Autumnal Equinox |  | September 22 |
|  | Yom Kippur* | Jewish | September 28 |
| October | Sukkot** | Jewish | October 3-9 |
|  | Shemini Atzeret* | Jewish | October 10 |
|  | Simchat Torah* | Jewish | October 11 |
|  | Navaratri | Hindu | October 17-25 |
|  | Birth of Báb | Bahái | October 18 |
|  | Dassera | Hindu | October 25 |
|  | Mawlid al-Nabi | Islamic | October 29 |
| November | Diwali | Hindu | November 14 |
| December | Chanukah* | Jewish | December 11-18 |
|  | Winter Solstice |  | December 21 |
|  | Christmas Day | Christian | December 25 |
|  | Feast of Nativity | Armenian Orthodox, Orthodox Christian | December 25 |
|  | Kwanzaa | African American | December 26-January 1 |
| January 2021 | Pongal | Hindu | January 13-16 |
| February | Lunar New Year | Chinese, Korean, Vietnamese | February 12 |
|  | Ash Wednesday, Beginning of Lent | Christian | February 17 |
|  | International Mother Language Day |  | February 21 |
|  | Purim* | Jewish | February 26 |
| March | Maha Shivaratri | Hindu | March 11 |
|  | Beginning of Lent | Orthodox Christian | March 15 |
|  | Vernal Equinox |  | March 19 |
|  | Bahá'í Naw-Rúz | Bahái | March 20 |
|  | Palm Sunday | Christian | March 28 |
|  | Passover* | Jewish | March 28-April 3 |
|  | Holi | Hindu | March 29 |
| April | Holy Thursday (Maundy Thursday) | Christian | April 1 |
|  | Good Friday | Christian | April 2 |
|  | Easter | Christian | April 4 |
|  | Ramadan begins* | Islamic | April 13-May 11 |
|  | Rama Navami | Hindu | April 21 |
| May | Easter | Orthodox Christian | May 2 |
|  | Laila Al-Qadr* | Islamic | May 9 |
|  | Eid al-Fitr (End of Ramadan)* | Islamic | May 13 |
|  | Ascension | Christian | May 13 |
|  | Shavuot* | Jewish | May 17-18 |
|  | Declaration of the Báb | Bahái | May 23 |
|  | Ascension of the Baha'u'llah* | Bahái | May 29 |
| June | Summer Solstice |  | June 21 |
| *Holiday begins at sundown. |  |  |  |

[^0]FILE: IMDB

## ACCOMMODATIONS FOR RELIGIOUS AND CULTURAL OBSERVANCES

A student may not be penalized for his/her observance of a religious holiday. Any student who is absent because of religious or cultural observances shall have that absence excused and shall be provided the time and the opportunity to make up missed work, activities, and/or assessments. It is expected that students will meet with their teacher(s) in advance of a planned absence or at least upon the first day of their return to agree mutually upon a due date for missed work. In no case shall the timeframe to make up missed work be less than a week. Teachers will be responsible for providing students with missed materials relative to future assessment.

Similarly, families will be encouraged and invited to notify coaches, advisors, club leaders, etc. of student absences for religious or cultural observances. Students will not be penalized (e.g., held out of post absence participation) in their extra-curricular activities (e.g., sports, theater, clubs, etc.) for such absences.

Open and timely communication between students, families, and educators shall ensure that the opportunity to make up work does not place an unreasonable burden upon any of the parties.

Ref. Bedford IMDA, Concord-Carlisle IMDA, Westford, Belmont, Wayland


[^0]:    Sources: Belmont Public Schools, Various Calendars, and the Anti-Defamation League Calendar of Observances, Downloaded December 11, 2019; https:|/www.adl.org/education/resources/tools-and-strategies/calendar-of-observances

