Major Religious & Cultural Holidays

Rosh Hashanah*         September 18 – 20, 2020
Yom Kippur*            September 27 – 28, 2020
Sukkot*               October 2 – 9, 2020
Diwali                November 14, 2020
Chanukah*             December 10 – 18, 2020
Christmas             December 25, 2020
Kwanzaa              December 26, 2020 – Jan 1, 2021
Chinese New Year       February 12, 2021
Passover*             March 27 – April 3, 2021
Good Friday           April 2, 2021
Easter                April 4, 2021
Orthodox Easter       May 2, 2021
Ramadan               April 12 – May 11, 2021
Eid al-Fitr           May 13, 2021
Shavuot*              May 16 – 17, 2021

*All Jewish holidays begin at sundown on the evening prior to the day of the holiday.

The following policies apply to students celebrating the holidays noted above:

- Homework and projects will not be assigned to students observing religious holidays. Teachers shall not schedule tests for those students celebrating observed religious holidays. Students will not be expected to complete daily homework assigned the evening before, or the day of the religious holiday. Assignments and tests should be made up in a time span that is reasonable to both students and teachers (SC Policy JHCBA).
- Observance of a religious holiday shall be viewed as valid justification for student absence, late homework/project submission and delayed testing. It is the responsibility of the student’s parent/guardian to notify the principal/dean/teacher of these dates at the beginning of the school year. In addition the student shall notify the teacher(s) of the observance date no later than two weeks in advance or as soon as practical (SC Policy JHCBA).

Scheduled Staff Professional Development Days

Wednesday September 23, 2020  Student Half Day
Wednesday October 7, 2020    Student Half Day
Tuesday November 3, 2020      Student NO School Day
Wednesday December 2, 2020    Student Half Day
Wednesday January 13, 2021    Student Half Day
Wednesday February 10, 2021   Student Half Day
Wednesday March 3, 2021       Student Half Day
Wednesday April 7, 2021       Student Half Day
Wednesday November 18, 2020   Student Half Day – Elementary ONLY

School Start and Dismissal Schedule

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Please note that due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we will be adhering to revised school start/end times based upon either the Hybrid or Remote Learning Model selected. School start/end times will be communicated at the school level, as well as modifications to schedules throughout the 2020/21 school year.