## List of Religious and U.S. Public Holidays 2022-23

Kennewick School District encourages school staff members to be aware of the religious traditions of the students and communities they serve, strive to honor all religious communities, and work to be inclusive of all students. Staff members can use this calendar when responding to student requests for excused absences for religious purposes or when planning events such as testing, curriculum nights, field trips, school or team pictures, dances, etc.

Please contact the Communications Department at info@ksd.org to recommend corrections or additions to the calendar.

NOTE: All Jewish, Islamic and Bahá'í holidays begin at sundown on the evening before the first date shown.

- *These holidays (or dates within holidays) are designated non-work (observance) days.
- \# Some of these dates are not fixed to a calendar but based on the actual sighting of the moon and therefore there may be some variance by a day.

| Holiday or <br> Observance | Religious <br> Group | Dates | Additional Notes |
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| Eid al-Adha | Islamic | July 9-10, 2022\# | Date not fixed. See note above. |
| Muharram (Al <br> Hijrah New Year) | Islamic | July 30, 2022 |  |
| Janmashtami | Hindu | Aug. 30, 2022 |  |
| Labor Day |  | Sept. 5, 2022 | No school |
|  |  |  | Rosh Hashanah kicks off several <br> weeks of Jewish holidays in the <br> fall. Rosh Hashanah and Yom <br> Kippur are the two most- <br> observed Jewish Holidays, <br> called the high holy days. <br> Designated non-work day for <br> observers |
| *Rosh Hashanah <br> (New Year) | Jewish | Sept. 26-27, 2022 |  |
| Navratri/Dussehra | Hindu | Sept. 26-Oct. 4, | Celebrated at night |
| 2022 |  | Oct. 5, 2022 | Holiest and most observed <br> Jewish holiday. Designated non- <br> work day for observers |
| *Yom Kippur (Day <br> of Atonement) | Jewish | Oct. 10, 2022 | Oct. 10-16, 2022 |


| *Simchat Torah | Jewish | Oct. 18, 2022 | Designated non-work day for observers |
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| Diwali | Hindu | Oct. 24-28, 2022 |  |
| Mawlid-al-Nabi (birthday of Mohammad) | Islamic | Oct. 8, 2022 \# | Date not fixed. See note above. |
| Veterans Day |  | Nov. 11, 2022 | No school |
| Thanksgiving Day |  | Nov. 24, 2022 | No school Nov. 24-25, 2022 |
| Hanukkah (Chanukah) | Jewish | Dec. 19-26, 2022 |  |
| Christmas Day | Christian | Dec. 25, 2022 | No school |
| New Year's Day |  | Jan. 1, 2023 | No school |
| Orthodox Christmas | Christian Orthodox | Jan. 7, 2023 |  |
| Martin Luther King Jr. Day |  | Jan. 16, 2023 | No school |
| Lunar New Year |  | Jan. 22, 2023 | Sunday. Observed dates: Jan. 21-23, 2023 |
| Maha Shivaratri | Hindu | Feb. 18, 2023 | Saturday |
| Presidents' Day |  | Feb. 20, 2023 | No school |
| Ash Wednesday | Christian | Feb. 22, 2023 |  |
| Beginning of Lent | Christian | Feb. 22, 2023 | Observed on Wednesday, Feb. 22 |
| Purim | Jewish | March 7, 2023 |  |
| Holi | Hindu | March 7, 2023 |  |
| Beginning of Ramadan | Islamic | March 23, 2023 \# | Ramadan: March 23-April 21, 2023. Dates not fixed. See note above. |
| Rama Navami | Hindu | March 30, 2023 |  |
| *Passover (Pesach) | Jewish | April 6-13, 2022 | *April 6-7 and 12-13 are designated non-work days for observers. |
| Easter | Christian | April 9, 2023 |  |
| Orthodox Good Friday | Christian Orthodox | April 14, 2023 |  |
| Good Friday | Christian | April 15, 2022 |  |
| Orthodox Easter | Christian Orthodox | April 16, 2023 | Sunday |
| Lailat UI Qadr | Islamic | April 18, 2023 \# | Date not fixed. See note above. |
| Eid al-Fitr (End of Ramadan) | Islamic | April 22, 2023 \# | Ramadan: March 23-April 21, 2023. Dates not fixed. See note above. |
| Memorial Day |  | May 29, 2023 | No school |
| *Shavuot | Jewish | May 26-27, 2023 | Designated non-work days for observers |
| Independence Day |  | July 4, 2023 |  |
| Eid al-Adha | Islamic | June 29, 2023 \# | Date not fixed. See note above. |
| Janmashtami | Hindu | June 29, 2023 |  |

