



# Emerson SCHOOL

## Religious Holidays

2019-2020 ACADEMIC YEAR

(Adapted from the University of Michigan's [List of Religious Holidays](#))

HOLIDAY	FAITH	DATE
Eid al-Adha **	Islam	August 20
Paryushan **	Jain	September 6
Rosh Hashanah *	Jewish	September 9 - 11
10th of Muharram **	Islam	September 12
Yom Kippur *	Jewish	September 18 - 19
Sukkot *	Jewish	September 23 - 25
Shemini Atzeret/Simchat Torah *	Jewish	September 30 - October 2
Birth of the Báb ***	Baha'i	October 20
Diwali **	Hindu	November 6 - 10
Birth of Bahá'u'lláh ***	Baha'i	November 12
Birth of the Prophet Muhammad **	Islam	November 20
Hanukkah *	Jewish	December 2 - 10
Christmas	Christian	December 25
Kwanzaa	Interfaith / African-American	December 26 - January 1
Feast of the Epiphany	Christian	January 6
Eastern Orthodox Christmas	Orthodox Christian	January 7
Sankranti	Hindu	January 15
Chinese New Year & Tet	Confucianism/Taoism/Buddhism	February 5
Ash Wednesday	Christian	March 6
Eastern Orthodox Beginning of Lent	Orthodox Christian	March 11
Purim *	Jewish	March 20 -21
Naw-Rúz ***	Baha'i	March 21
Baisakhi	Sikh	April 14
Good Friday	Christian	April 19
Passover (Pesach) *	Jewish	April 19 - 27
Easter	Christian	April 21
First Day of Ridván ***	Baha'i	April 21
Eastern Orthodox Good Friday	Orthodox Christian	April 26
Eastern Orthodox Easter	Orthodox Christian	April 28
Ninth Day of Ridván ***	Baha'i	April 29
Twelfth Day of Ridván ***	Baha'i	May 2
Ramadan **	Islam	May 6 - June 4
Declaration of the Báb ***	Baha'i	May 23
23rd Night of Ramadan **	Islam	May 28
Ascension of Bahá'u'lláh ***	Baha'i	May 29
Ascension Day	Christian	May 30
Eid al-Fitr **	Islam	June 3-4
Eastern Orthodox Ascension Day	Orthodox Christian	June 6
Shavuot *	Jewish	June 8 - 10
Martyrdom of the Báb ***	Baha'i	July 10
Holy Day of Arafah **	Islam	August 11

\* Jewish holy days begin and end at sundown on the first and last days listed.

\*\* These holidays are calculated on a lunar calendar and are approximate.

Emerson wishes to help students avoid negative consequences when religious obligations conflict with school requirements. Students who expect to miss classes, tests/quizzes/presentations, or any other assignments as a consequence of a religious observance will be given the opportunity to complete such academic responsibilities, as determined by the teacher(s). Note that absence for religious reasons does not relieve students from responsibility for their work. We kindly ask that students and families provide the School with reasonable notice of dates of religious holidays on which students will be absent.