

HARVARD PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
2011/2012 CALENDAR

REVISED 1/30/12

AUGUST 11 (2)					SEPTEMBER 11 (20)					OCTOBER 11 (20)				
M	Tu	W	Th	F	M	Tu	W	Th	F	M	Tu	W	Th	F
1	2	3	4	5				1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	12	13	14 ER	15	16	17	18	19 ER	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31			26	27	28 ER	29	30	31				
29 ..staff convocation 30 ..1 <sup>st</sup> day of school					2 ...Teacher PD 5...Labor Day					10...Columbus Day 11 ...Teacher PD				
NOVEMBER 11 (18)					DECEMBER 11 (17)					JANUARY 12 (19)				
M	Tu	W	Th	F	M	Tu	W	Th	F	M	Tu	W	Th	F
	1	2 ER	3	4				1	2	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	5	6	7 ER	8	9	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16 ER	17	18	12	13	14	15	16	16	17	18	19	20
21 H	22 H	23	24	25	19	20	21 ER	22	23	23	24	25 ER	26	27
28	29	30 H			26	27	28	29	30	30	31			
11...Veterans Day 23... 25 No school 24...Thanksgiving Day					26... 30 Winter vacation					2 ... Winter vacation 13... Teacher PD 16...Martin Luther King Day (No School)				
FEBRUARY 12 (16)					MARCH 12 (22)					APRIL 12 (16)				
M	Tu	W	Th	F	M	Tu	W	Th	F	M	Tu	W	Th	F
		1	2	3				1	2	2	3	4 ER	5	6
6	7	8 ER	9	10	5	6 ER	7	8	9	9	10	11	12	13
13	14	15	16	17	12	13	14 ER	15	16	16	17	18	19	20
20	21	22	23	24	19	20	21	22	23	23	24	25	26	27
27	28	29 ER			26	27	28 ER	29	30	30				
20....Presidents' Day 20.... 24 February vacation										16 .....Patriots' Day 16-20 ...April vacation				
MAY 12 (22)					JUNE 12 (8)					☐ = Holidays or No School ( ) = Student Days per Month  <b>Early Release Day Dismissal Times</b> B = Bromfield - 12:05 pm E = Elementary - 1:13 pm B/E = Bromfield/Elementary				
M	Tu	W	Th	F	M	Tu	W	Th	F					
	1 ER	2	3	4					1					
7	8	9	10	11	4	5	6	7	8					
14	15	16	17	18 ER	11	12	13 *	14*	15*ER					
21	22	23	24	25	18*	19*	20*x	21*x	22*x					
28	29	30	31		25	26	27	28	29					
1.....Town Elections 28...Memorial Day					15.... Tentative Last Day of school (ER)									

June 12 Original Last Day of School; Now June 15 is the tentative last day of school.

- \* Five make-up snow days if needed
- \*x Three additional snow days if needed

## RELIGIOUS HOLIDAY CALENDAR FOR 2011/2012

August 30	Id al Fitr ***
September 28-30	Rosh Hashanah ***
October 7-8	Yom Kippur ***
October 12-14	Sukkot **
October 19-20	Shemini Atzeret **
October 20-21	Simchat Torah **
October 26	Diwali ***
November 8	Id Al Adha ***
December 20-28	Chanukah *
December 25	Christmas ***
December 26-31	Kwanzaa *
January 6-7	Epiphany (Orthodox Christmas) ***
February 22	Ash Wednesday **
March 7-8	Purim *
April 1	Palm Sunday ***
April 6-8	Passover/Pesach ***
April 6	Good Friday **
April 8	Easter ***
April 8	Orthodox Palm Sunday ***
April 13-14	Passover Concluding Days ***
April 13	Orthodox Holy Friday ***
April 15	Orthodox Easter ***
May 25-28	Shavout **

The guidelines that follow are for use by staff in planning and scheduling of classroom, school building, and district-wide activities.

### RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS GUIDELINES

I. Holiday observances of major significance to a religious group are indicated on the calendar by three stars (\*\*\*). The following apply:

School district employees may not schedule any of the following during these (three star) holidays.

1. Major exams
2. Reviews for major exams
3. Standardized tests
4. Tryouts; for example, teams, plays
5. One-time or major events (proms, graduation ceremonies, homecoming, elections, test simulations, etc.)
6. School district employees shall schedule interscholastic athletic games in a manner that minimizes conflict with holidays designated as three star. Scheduling of an athletic

event on a three star holiday must be reviewed by the Superintendent or designee. Board members will be notified well in advance when there is a conflict.

7. Interscholastic athletic practices are allowed

School district employees may arrange for students to participate in one-time or major events on three star holidays if the scheduling of these events is not controlled by our employees. Scheduling of such events must be approved by the building principal and the Superintendent or designee.

Teachers should be sensitive to the scheduling of quizzes longer than ten minutes on holidays designated by three stars (\*\*\*)

Students will probably be with their families or at a place of worship in observance of these holidays. They will not be in school and/or not have time available to do the required homework. Absence to observe these holidays should be excused, and make-up privileges should be the same as the make-up privileges offered to a student who has an excused absence due to illness.

II. Other significant religious observances are indicated by two stars (\*\*). The following applies:

Students might observe this holiday by spending time with their family and/or at a place of worship. They might not be in school and/or not have time available to do required homework. Such an absence should be excused. Make-up privileges should be the same as those offered for an absence due to illness.

III. Other holidays are indicated by one star (\*) and no restrictions apply.