

Religious/Holy Days 2017-2018

Some days may require absence from school or fasting or other specific observance. All absences will be reviewed on an individual case-by-case basis in accordance with Plano ISD Board of Trustees' Policies FEA, FEB, FNA, and FNAB. If questions arise, it is suggested that the campus administration work with Central Administration regarding such absences. Also note that some holidays may vary slightly based on local custom, individual belief, group preference or moon sightings.

BAHA'I HOLIDAYS

July 9, 2017	*Martyrdom of the Bab
October 20, 2017	*Birth of the Báb
November 12, 2017	*Birth of Baha'u'llah
November 26, 2017	*Day of the Covenant
March 21, 2018	*Naw-Rúz (New Year)
April 21, 2018	*First Day of Ridvan
April 29, 2018	Ninth Day of Ridvan
May 2, 2018	*Last Day of Ridvan
May 23, 2018	*Declaration of the Bab
May 29, 2018	*Ascension of Baha'u'llah

BUDDHIST OBSERVANCES

December 8, 2017	**Bodhi Day (Rohatsu)
February 8, 2018	Nirvana Day
March 31, 2018	**Magha Puja Day
April 29, 2018	**Visakha Puja - Buddha Day

CHRISTIAN HOLIDAYS

August 15, 2017	Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary
November 1, 2017	All Saints Day
December 8, 2017	Immaculate Conception of Mary
December 16-25, 2017	Posadas Navidenas
December 25, 2017	*Christmas
January 1, 2018	Mary, Mother of God
January 6, 2018	Epiphany
February 14, 2018	Ash Wednesday – Lent begins
March 25, 2018	Palm Sunday
March 30, 2018	Good Friday
April 1, 2018	Easter
May 10, 2018	Ascension of Jesus
May 20, 2018	Pentecost

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HINDU FESTIVALS

August 7, 2017	**Raksha Bandhan
August 15, 2017	Krishna Janmashtami
September 21-29, 2017	**Navaratri
September 25, 2017	**Ganesh Chaturthi
September 30, 2017	Dasara
October 19, 2017	**Diwali - Deepavali
February 14, 2018	**Maha Shivaratri
March 3, 2018	**Holi
March 26, 2018	**Ramanavami

JEWISH HOLIDAYS

August 1, 2017	*Tish'a B'av
September 21-22, 2017	*Rosh Hashanah
September 30, 2017	*Yom Kippur
October 5-11, 2017	*Sukkot
October 12, 2017	*Shemini Atzeret
October 13, 2017	*Simchat Torah
December 13-20, 2017	*Hanukkah
January 31, 2018	*Tu BiShvat
March 1, 2018	*Purim
March 31–April 7, 2018	*Passover
May 20-21, 2018	*Shavuot

MUSLIM HOLIDAYS

June 21, 2017	*Laylat al Kadr
June 25-26, 2017	*Eid al Fitr
September 1-4, 2017	*Eid al Adha
September 21-22, 2017	*New Year - Hijra
September 30, 2017	*Ashura
November 30, 2017	*Mawlid an Nabi
April 12, 2018	*Lailat al Miraj
April 30, 2018	*Lailat al bara'ah
May 16 – June 15, 2018	* **Ramadan
June 10, 2018	*Laylat al Kadr
June 15-17, 2018	*Eid al Fitr – Ramadan ends

SIKH HOLIDAYS

November 4, 2017	Birthday of Guru Nanak Dev Sahib
January 5, 2018	Guru Gobindh Singh Birthday
April 14, 2018	Baisakhi (Vaisakhi)

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WICCAN HOLIDAYS

June 21, 2017	*Summer Solstice (Litha/Midsummer)
August 1, 2017	*Lughnasadh (Lammas)
September 22, 2017	* Autumnal Equinox (Mabon)
November 1, 2017	*Samhain
December 21, 2017	*Winter Solstice (Yule)
February 1, 2018	* Imbolc
March 21, 2018	*Vernal/Spring Equinox (Ostara)
May 1, 2018	*Beltane (May Eve/Day)

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