

2018

AUGUST/SEPTEMBER

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			29	30	31	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30						

(17 days)

OCTOBER

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

(22 days)

NOVEMBER

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

(19 days)

DECEMBER

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

(15 days)

2018 IMPORTANT DATES

AUGUST

29 TEACHERS FIRST DAY

SEPTEMBER

3 LABOR DAY
4 FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL
10 ROSH HASHANAH
19 YOM KIPPUR

OCTOBER

8 COLUMBUS DAY

NOVEMBER

7 DIWALI**
12 VETERANS DAY (OBSERVED)
21 EARLY RELEASE
22-23 THANKSGIVING RECESS

DECEMBER

24 DECEMBER RECESS
THROUGH JANUARY 1

2019

JANUARY

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

(21 days)

FEBRUARY

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28		

(15 days)

MARCH

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

(21 days)

APRIL

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

(17 days)

MAY

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

(22 days)

JUNE

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30						

(11 + 5 days)

2019 IMPORTANT DATES

JANUARY

1 NEW YEAR'S DAY
2 STUDENTS FIRST DAY BACK FROM BREAK
21 MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY

FEBRUARY

5 LUNAR NEW YEAR**
18-22 WINTER VACATION

APRIL

15-19 SPRING VACATION

MAY

27 MEMORIAL DAY

JUNE

5 EID AL-FITR**
24 LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS*
25 LAST DAY FOR TEACHERS

*185th day includes five (5) snow days and will be a half-day

** Recognized Holiday, Schools and Offices Open

KINDERGARTEN FIRST FULL-DAY

Group A: October 1, 2018
Group B: October 4, 2018

EARLY RELEASE DATES:

Elementary: 9/27, 11/1, 12/5, 2/6, 3/21, 5/9
Secondary: 9/27, 11/1, 12/5, 2/6, 3/21 (5/9 snow day)

GRADUATION DATES FOR 2019

NEWTON NORTH: Wednesday, June 5, 2019
NEWTON SOUTH: Thursday, June 6, 2019

As an increasingly diverse school district, Newton Public Schools celebrates the many cultures represented among our families. Our school calendar includes a list of holidays that are not days off from school. Students who celebrate these holidays continue, as in the past, to have excused absences from school on these days. However, in recognition of the growing number of students who celebrate Diwali, Lunar New Year and Eid al-Fitr, NPS has placed these holidays on the face of its calendar to increase awareness among students, teachers and staff that these are significant holidays for our student population. While these three holidays remain official school days, we hope that placing these days on the calendar reminds our families and teachers that students who celebrate these days have an excused absence from school, and assists them in avoiding the scheduling of major school events on these days.

Holiday Observances in Massachusetts (statewide legal holidays in bold)

Source: Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education as originally published in February 2016. 2018-19 dates inserted by NPS.

HOLIDAY/OBSERVANCE	2018-2019
Eid al-Adha**	Wednesday, August 22
Labor Day	Monday, September 3
Rosh Hashanah*	September 10-11 (Monday, Tuesday)
Yom Kippur*	Wednesday, September 19
Sukkot	Monday, September 24
Columbus Day	Monday, October 8
Diwali	Wednesday, November 7
Veteran’s Day	Sunday, Nov. 11 (observed Monday, Nov. 12)
Thanksgiving	Thursday, November 22
Chanukah*	Monday, December 3
Christmas Day	Tuesday, December 25
Kwanzaa	Wednesday, December 26
New Year’s Day	Tuesday, January 1
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	Monday, January 21
Ash Wednesday	Wednesday, March 6
Chinese New Year	Tuesday, February 5
President’s Day	Monday, February 18
Evacuation Day***	Sunday, March 17
Palm Sunday	Sunday, April 14
Good Friday	Friday, April 19
Passover*	Sat., April 20
Easter	Sunday, April 21
Orthodox Good Friday	Friday, April 26
Orthodox Easter	Sunday, April 28
Patriots’ Day	Monday, April 15
Ramadan**	May 6 – June 3
Shavuot*	Sunday, June 9
Memorial Day	Monday, May 27
Eid al-Fitr**	Wednesday, June 5
Independence Day	Thursday, July 4

*All Jewish observances begin at sundown on the evening prior to the day of the observance. In addition to dates noted, observant Jews celebrate the second, seventh and eighth days of Passover; the second, eighth and ninth days of Sukkot; and two days of Shavuot (Mass. Lawyers Diary and Manual).

**Due to the lunar calendar, these are only approximate dates.

***Previous legal holiday in Suffolk County