

DCPS strives to create a calendar that reflects the needs and preferences of DCPS families and staff whenever possible, maximizes learning time for students, and allocates time for our teachers to engage in professional learning and collaboration. In addition to meeting those goals, DCPS must also honor requirements related to the DC Municipal Regulations



Whenever possible, schools should refrain from

scheduling special events (homecoming, field trips, family events), important meetings, or DCPS-scheduled athletic events on these days to avoid excluding staff, families, and students. This includes observances that occur on the weekend.

Rosh Hashanah Ash Wednesday Eid al Fitr Yom Kippur First Day of Ramadan Eid al Adha

Last Day of Sukkot Good Friday First Day of Muharram

Diwali Easter Ashura

Christmas Eve First Day of Passover
Christmas Second Day of Passover

Religious holidays and observances begin after

sunset on these days. Schools may schedule daytime activities as usual, but whenever possible, schools should refrain from special evening events (homecoming, Back to School Night) and important meetings after school on these days. This includes observances that occur on the