NEWTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
SCHOOL CALENDAR 2017-2018

(21 days)

|  | M | T | W | T | F |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| N |  |  | 1 | 2 | 3 |
|  | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| V | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
|  | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
|  | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |  |

(19 days)

(16 days)

|  | M | T | W | T | F |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| J | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| A | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| N | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
|  | 29 | 30 | 31 |  |  |

(21 days)
September 5: Kindergarten Start Group A
September 6: Kindergarten Start Group B
Elementary Schools - Afternoon Release
9/27, 11/2, 12/7, 2/7, 3/8, 5/3

| 2017 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| AUGUST |  |  |
| 30 | First day for teachers |  |
| SEPTEMBER |  |  |
| 1 | Teachers off |  |
| 4 | Labor Day |  |
| 5 | First day for students |  |
| 21 | Rosh Hashanah |  |
| OCTOBER |  |  |
| 9 | Columbus Day |  |
| NOVEMBER |  |  |
| 10 | Veterans Day Observed |  |
| 22 | Schools close at noon |  |
| $23-24$ | Thanksgiving recess |  |
| DECEMBER |  |  |
| 25 | through January 1, 2018 |  |
|  | December recess |  |
|  |  |  |


| 2018 |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| JANUARY |  |
| 15 | Martin Luther King Day |
| FEBRUARY |  |
| $19-23$ | Winter Vacation |
| MARCH |  |
| 30 | Good Friday |
| APRIL |  |
| $16-20$ Spring Vacation <br> MAY  <br> 28 Memorial Day <br> JUNE  <br> 22 Last day for students* <br> 25 Last day for teachers <br> *  <br> 185th day  <br> This includes five (5) snow days  <br> The last day will be a half-day  |  |

October 2: First Full-day of Kindergarten Group A
September 28: First Full-day of Kindergarten Group B
Secondary Schools - Afternoon Release

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9 / 27,11 / 2,12 / 7,2 / 7,3 / 8
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The Newton Public School District is enriched by the cultural and religious diversity of its students, faculty, staff, and community. The Newton School Committee publishes this list to inform our community of days in which students and staff may be participating in observances with their families. It does not include all religious holidays observed by every faith. State and federal law require schools to make reasonable accommodation to the religious needs of students and employees.

Holiday Observances in Massachusetts (statewide legal holidays in bold)
Source: Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education as originally published in February 2016. 2017-18 dates inserted by NPS.

| Holiday/Observance | 2017-18 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Eid al-Adha** | Fri., Sept. 1 |
| Labor Day | Mon., Sept. 4 |
| Rosh Hashanah* | Sept. 21-22 (Thurs., Fri.) |
| Yom Kippur* | Sat., Sept. 30 |
| Sukkot | Thurs., Oct. 5 |
| Columbus Day | Mon., Oct. 9 |
| Diwali | Thurs., Oct. 19 |
| Veteran's Day | Sat., Nov. 11 |
| Thanksgiving | Thurs., Nov. 23rd |
| Chanukah* | Wed., Dec. 13 |
| Christmas Day | Mon. Dec. 25 |
| Kwanzaa | Tues., Dec. 26 |
| New Year's Day | Mon., Jan. 1 |
| Martin Luther King, Jr. Day | Mon., Jan. 15 |
| Ash Wednesday | Wed., Feb. 14 |
| Chinese New Year | Fri., Feb. 16 |
| President's Day | Mon., Feb. 19 |
| Evacuation Day*** | Fri., March 16 |
| Vernal Equinox | Tues., March 20 |
| Palm Sunday | Sun., March 25 |
| Good Friday | Fri., March 30 |
| Passover* | Sat., March 31 |
| Easter | Sun., April 1 |
| Orthodox Good Friday | Fri., April 6 |
| Orthodox Easter | Sun., April 8 |
| Patriots' Day | Mon., April 16 |
| Ramadan** | May 15 - June 14 |
| Shavuot* | Sun., May 20 |
| Memorial Day | Mon., May 28 |
| Eid al-Fitr** | Fri., June 15 |
| Bunker Hill Day*** | Sun., June 17 |
| Independence Day | Wed., July 4 |

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[^0]:    *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

