

Teach this Generation to be Prejudice-Free!



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Religious Holidays for the 2005-2006 school year

www.state.nj.us/njded/genfo/holidays.htm

State law (N.J.S.A. 18A:36-14 through 16 and N.J.A.C. 6:3-9) prohibits school districts from assessing a penalty to a student who is absent from school due to the observance of a religious holiday:

1. Any pupil absent from school because of a religious holiday may not be deprived of any award or of eligibility or opportunity to compete for any award because of such absence;
2. Pupils who miss a test or examination because of absence on a religious holiday must be given the right to take an alternate test or examination;
3. To be entitled to the privileges set forth above, the pupil must present a written excuse signed by a parent or person standing in place of a parent;
4. Any absence because of a religious holiday must be recorded in the school register or in any group or class attendance record as an excused absence;
5. Such absence must NOT be recorded on any transcript or application or employment form or on any similar form.

September 1 Day of Ascention (Isra and Miraj) (Islamic)
September 1 First Consecration of the Guru Granth Sahib, the Sikh Scripture (Sikh)
September 7 His Holiness the 17th Gyalawa Karmapa (Ugyen Trinley Dorje) birthdate (Buddhist)
September 7 Ganesha Chaturthi (Hindu)
September 14 The Exaltation of the Holy Cross (Eastern, Greek, Russian Orthodox)
October 3 or 4 First of Ramadan (Islamic)
October 4 - 5 Feast of Trumpets (World Wide Church of God, United Church of God and Global Church of God)
October 4 - 5 Rosh Hashanah (Jewish New Year)
October 10 - 12 Dussera (Hindu)
October 13 Day of Atonement (World Wide Church of God, United Church of God and Global Church of God)
October 13 Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement) (Jewish)
October 18 - 19 Sukkot (First & Second Days of Tabernacles) (Jewish)
October 18 - 24 First Day through Seventh Day of Feast of Tabernacles (World Wide Church of God, United Church of God and Global Church of God)
October 20 Birth of the Báb (Bahá'í)
October 20 Joint-Sovereignty of Guru Granth and Guru Panth declared to Guide the Sikh people (Sikh)
October 24 Last Great Day (World Wide Church of God, United Church of God and Global Church of God)
October 25 Eighth Day of Tabernacles (Jewish)
October 26 Rejoicing of the Law (Simchat Torah) (Jewish)
October 31 Reformation Day (Protestant, Lutheran)
October 31 - November 2 Deepavali (Hindu)
November 1 All Saints Day (Roman Catholic, Protestant, Lutheran)
November 3 or 4 Eid El Fitr (End of Ramadan) [Date is approximate with sighting of the moon] (Islamic)
November 12 Birth of Bahá'u'lláh (Bahá'í)
November 15 Guru Nanak's Birth (Sikh)
November 24 Guru Tegh Bahadur's Martyrdom (Sikh)
December 8 Feast of the Immaculate Conception (Roman Catholic)
December 25 Christmas (Roman Catholic, Protestant, Eastern, Greek and Russian Orthodox)
December 26 First Day of Hanukkah (Jewish)
December 26 - January 2 Kwanzaa
January 1 New Year's Day
January 2 Eighth Day of Hanukkah (Jewish)
January 5 Guru Gobind Singh's Birth (Sikh)
January 6 Feast of the Epiphany (Roman Catholic, Eastern, Greek and Russian Orthodox)
January 6 Christmas (Armenian)
January 6 Feast of the Epiphany (Christian)
January 10 - 13 Feast of Sacrifice (Eid of Adha)[Date is approximate with sighting of the moon] (Islamic)

January 14 Maha Shivaratri (Hindu)
January 29 New Year (Chinese, Korean and Vietnamese)
January 31 New Year [Date is approximate with sighting of the moon] (Islamic)
February 17 St. Vartanantz Day (Armenian)
February 28 Shrove Tuesday
March 1 Ash Wednesday (Roman Catholic, Protestant)
March 6 Lent (Eastern Orthodox)
March 14 Sikh New Year/Holla Mohalla (Sikh)
March 14 Holi (Hindu)
March 14 Purim (Jewish)
March 21 Feast of Naw-Ruz (Bahá'í and Iranian New Year, also Persian New Year and Heritage Day)
March 30 Chandramana Yugardi (Hindu)
April 7 Rama Navami (Hindu)
April 11 or 12 Birthday of the Prophet Muhammad (Islamic)
April 13 Holy Thursday (Roman Catholic, Protestant)
April 14 Good Friday (Roman Catholic, Protestant)
April 14 Souramana Yugardi (Hindu)
April 13 or 14 Vaisakhi (Sikh)
April 13 - 14 First Day of Feast of Unleavened Bread or Passover (World Wide Church of God, United Church of God and Global Church of God)
April 13 - 14 First Two Days of Passover (Jewish)
April 16 Easter (Roman Catholic, Protestant)
April 19 - 20 Seventh Day of Feast of Unleavened Bread or Passover (World Wide Church of God, United Church of God and Global Church of God)
April 19 - 20 Seventh & Eighth Days of Passover (Jewish)
April 20 Holy Thursday (Eastern, Greek and Russian Orthodox)
April 21 Holy Friday (Eastern, Greek and Russian Orthodox)
April 21 First Day of Ridván (Bahá'í)
April 23 Easter (Eastern, Greek and Russian Orthodox)
April 24 Memorial Day (Armenian)
April 24 Bright Monday (Eastern, Greek and Russian Orthodox)
April 29 Ninth Day of Ridván (Bahá'í)
May 2 Twelfth Day of Ridván (Bahá'í)
May 23 Declaration of the Báb (Bahá'í)
May 25 Ascension Day (Roman Catholic, Protestant)
May 29 Ascension of Bahá'u'lláh (Bahá'í)
June 1 Ascension Day (Eastern Orthodox, Greek and Russian Orthodox)
June 2 Day of Pentecost (World Wide Church of God, United Church of God and Global Church of God)
June 2 - 3 Shavuot (Feast of Weeks) (Jewish)
June 16 Guru Arjun's Martyrdom (Sikh)

Resources for Prejudice Reduction

Race Unity Multimedia
www.startafire.org/raceUnity.html
 New Jersey Commission on Holocaust Education
www.state.nj.us/njded/holocaust/curriculum/index.html
 The National Conference for Community and Justice
www.nccj.org
 Understanding Prejudice
www.understandingprejudice.org/readroom/reducing.htm
 Helping Students and Preventing Hate Crime
<http://smhp.psych.ucla.edu/qf/hategroups.htm>
 Teaching Tolerance
www.tolerance.org/teach/index.jsp
 Educators for Social Responsibility
www.esrnational.org/home.htm
 The History of Jim Crow - www.jimcrowhistory.org/
 Human Rights Education Associates - www.hrea.org/
 What Kids Can Do - www.whatkidscando.org/
 Human Rights Education
www.amnestyusa.org/education/
 Teachers without Borders
www.teacherswithoutborders.org
 International Association of Intercultural Education
<http://mythicjourneys.org/bigmyth/>

Access for Latinos in Early Childhood
<http://ccf.edc.org/latinos/>
 Japanese American Legacy Project - www.densho.org/
 Facing History and Ourselves
www.facinghistory.org
 African American Curriculum Exchange
www.givens.org/k-12.asp
 This Week in Peace History - www.salsa.net/peace/
 UN Cyber School Bus
www.un.org/Pubs/CyberSchoolBus/index.html
 World Play - www.worldplay.org/
 UNICEF Voices of Youth - www.unicef.org/voy/voy.html
 Indivisible: Stories of the American Community
www.indivisible.org/home.htm
 National Underground Railroad Freedom Center
www.freedomcenter.org
 Peace Corps Kids World - www.peacecorps.gov/kids/
 Institute for the Healing of Racism
www.bcca.org/rell/race_unity/
 Race Unity: America's Most Challenging Issue
www.bcca.org/rell/race_unity/Online/The-Vision-Of-Race-Unity.html

Pathways to One America in the 21st Century: Promising Practices For Racial Reconciliation
 The President's Initiative on Race
 Government Printing Office
 Superintendent of Documents, SSOP
 Washington, DC 20402-9328
Building One Nation: What is Being Done Today in Schools, Neighborhoods and the Workplace
 Leadership Conference, Education Fund
 1629 K Street NW, Washington, DC 20012
www.civilrights.org
Responding to Hate at School: A Guide for Teachers, Counselors and Administrators
 Teaching Tolerance, Southern Poverty Law Center
 400 Washington Avenue, Montgomery, AL 36104
 (334) 956-8200
www.tolerance.org/rthas/section1_5_2.jsp