



JEWISH HOLIDAYS 5 YEAR CALENDAR

HOLIDAY	2011-12	2012-13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015-1016
Rosh Hashanah*	Sept. 29	Sept. 17	Sept. 5	Sept. 25	Sept 14
Yom Kippur*	Oct. 8	Sept. 26	Sept. 14	Oct. 4	Sept 23
Sukkot**	Oct. 13	Oct. 1	Sept. 19	Oct. 9	Sept 28
Simhat Torah**	Oct. 20	Oct. 8	Sept. 26	Oct. 16	Oct 5
Hanukkah***	Dec 21 -29	Dec. 9 - 17	Nov. 28 – Dec 5	Dec. 17 – Dec. 24	Dec 7
Purim**	Mar. 8	Feb. 24	March 16	March 5	March 24
Passover****	Apr 7-14	March 26 – Apr 1	Apr 15 - 22	April 4 - 11	April 23 - 30

All Jewish holidays begin at sundown on the day before

* Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur are holy days that begin at sundown the night before and last all day and that evening. Jewish children should not be expected to participate in any school functions on these days. There is often a family dinner the evening when Yom Kippur ends so children should not have school obligations at that time.

** These holidays are usually celebrated the night before. These holidays are normally celebrated at the synagogue so children and parents are not home until perhaps 9:00 p.m..

***Hanukkah lasts for eight days. It is a **MINOR** holiday and there are no specific religious services in which children would need to miss school. Families have their celebrations at home in the evenings each night.

****Passover is celebrated for 7 or 8 days, depending on family tradition. The night before the first day and the night of the first day families have religious ceremonies in the home that have the children involved quite late; therefore there should be no school obligations. Most children do not miss school for this holiday. During Passover children do not eat any products containing flour, other than matzah product.