



## Nepali Cultural and Spiritual Center

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### To Whom It May Concern

Diwali, also known as Tihar or Deepawali, is the most celebrated festival among Hindus across the globe. Every year, this 5-day festival of lights falls in October or November to celebrate the victory of Good over Evil, light over darkness.

Although it is a 5-day festival, the fifth day is extra special for the people of Nepali origin as they celebrate the beauty of relationships between brothers and sisters. On this day, the siblings perform rituals, exchange gifts, and take a vow to protect each other. This year the fifth day falls on Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, or Wednesday November 15<sup>th</sup> (based on preference).

We would like to request the school districts to excuse the absence of the Nepali Hindu students for November 14<sup>th</sup> or 15<sup>th</sup> so that they can celebrate this great festival with their families.

If you have any question regarding this, please feel free to reach out to us.

Happy Vijaya Dashami!

Thank you,

Achyut Poudel

Manager