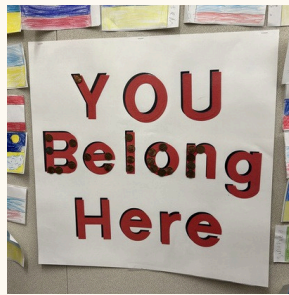


CULTURAL & RELIGIOUS



CALENDAR GUIDE

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Cultural and Religious Calendar Guide

2025-2026

Welcome

Everett Public Schools is rich in culture with a diverse community that represents and speaks over 100 different languages. Our district is committed to creating a sense of belonging where each of our stakeholders' experiences, cultures, beliefs, and traditions are honored. This formal document serves as a tool to raise mutual understanding and sensitivity about the religious, ethnic, and cultural observances that may affect our students, families, colleagues, and community partners. As well as a planning resource when scheduling school exams, school-wide events, or when scheduling workplace or community events.



Please note that this is a living document that will be revised throughout the school year based on the feedback and input we receive from our students, community partners, families and staff members. To find the most updated calendar, please scan the QR code or visit www.everettsd.org/DEIcalendar.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Department

We uphold our core mission and value of creating and sustaining a safe, caring, and inclusive environment within our school district community so that all students, families, and staff feel welcomed, valued, and supported. To enhance and to cultivate deeper multicultural understanding among groups and to promote inclusivity, our department offers this Cultural and Religious Calendar Guide to raise awareness and respect for religious obligations and ethnic and cultural festivities that may affect students, colleagues, and neighbors in our community.

We are deeply committed to ensuring all students, families, and staff have access to resources that create and sustain an inclusive, equitable, and diverse environment for all. We recognize and advocate that equity is a shared responsibility and must be supported and guided by all levels of leadership.

Acknowledgements

We extend our sincere gratitude to the Equity & Access Advisory Council, the Communications Department, Federal Way Public Schools, and Cultures Connecting for their leadership and dedication to equity. This document would not have been possible without their partnership and commitment to fostering cultural awareness and celebrating the diversity within our community.

We also thank Superintendent Dr. Ian B. Saltzman, his senior leadership and academic teams, and our district stakeholders for their invaluable support in ensuring this tool reflects the rich and evolving diversity of our community.

Sources

- OSPI
- Federal Way Public Schools
- Cultures Connecting
- GLSEN
- The Skih Coalition
- ADL



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About the Calendar Guide

The Cultural and Religious Calendar Guide is comprised of two calendars:

- **Impact calendar (English & Spanish):** A one-page calendar that provides an overview of high-impact observances broken into three categories - cultural days of significance recognition and or awareness.
- **Cultural and religious calendar:** A multi-faith calendar which includes significant religious, ethnic and cultural observances that reflect the diversity within our community.

Note that Bahà'i, Jewish and Islamic holidays begin at dusk or sundown on the first date listed. Muslim holiday dates may vary based on the interpretations of the lunar calendar.

Calendar System

The dates of secular holidays are based on the Gregorian calendar, which is commonly used for civil dating purposes. Many religions and cultures follow various traditional calendar systems that are often based on the phases of the moon with occasional adjustments for the solar cycle. Therefore, specific Gregorian calendar dates for these observances will differ from year to year and may vary by geographical location according to different sects within a given religion.

-Excerpt from Federal Way Public Schools

Days of Fasting

We want to acknowledge this list may not include all religions. We strive to grow our learning and will revise this document, as needed, throughout the year.

Religion	When they fast	How they fast	Why they fast
Bahà'i	The Bahà'i fast takes place during Ala, the 19th month of the Bahà'i year from March 1-20.	Abstain from food and drink from sunrise to sunset.	To focus on love of God and spiritual matters.
Buddhist	All the main branches of Buddhism practice some periods of fasting, usually on fullmoon days and other holidays.	Depending on the Buddhist tradition, fasting usually means abstaining from solid food, with some liquids permitted.	A method of purification. Theravadin and Tendai Buddhist monks fast as a means of freeing the mind. Some Tibetan Buddhist monks fast to aid yogic feats, like generating inner heat.
Catholic	Catholics fast and abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, and abstain from meat on all Fridays in Lent. For many centuries, Catholics were forbidden to eat meat on all Fridays, but since the mid-1960s, abstaining from meat on Fridays outside of Lent has been a matter of local discretion.	On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, two small meals and one regular meal are allowed; meat is forbidden. On Fridays in Lent, no meat is allowed. For the optional Friday fast, some people substitute a different penance or special prayer instead of fasting. Some also abstain from various activities including social media and etc.	Teaches control of fleshly desires, penance for sins and solidarity with the poor. The Lenten fast prepares the soul for a great feast by practicing austerity. The Good Friday fast commemorates the day Christ suffered.

Eastern Orthodox	There are several fast periods, including Lent, Apostles' Fast, Dormition Fast and the Nativity Fast, as well as several oneday fasts. Every Wednesday and Friday is considered a fast day, except those that fall during designated "fast-free weeks."	In general, meat, dairy products and eggs are prohibited. Fish is prohibited on some fast days and allowed on others.	Strengthens resistance to gluttony; helps open a person to God's grace.
Jewish	Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, is the best-known fast day. The Jewish calendar has six other fast days as well, including Tisha B'Av, the day on which the destruction of the Jewish Temple took place.	On Yom Kippur and Tisha B'Av, eating and drinking are forbidden for a 24-hour period, from sundown to sundown. On the other fast days, eating and drinking are forbidden only from sunrise to sundown.	Atonement for sins and/or special requests to God.
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints	The first Sunday of each month is a fast day. Individuals, families or wards may hold other fasts at will.	Abstain from food and drink for two consecutive meals and donate food or money to the needy. After the fast, church members participate in a "fast and testimony meeting."	Closeness to God; concentration on God and religion. Individual or family fasts might be held to petition for a specific cause, such as healing for one who is sick or help with making a difficult decision.
Muslim	Ramadan, the ninth month of the Muslim calendar, is a mandatory fasting period that commemorates the period when the Qur'an was first revealed to Prophet Muhammad. Various Muslim customs recommend days and periods of fasting in addition to Ramadan.	Abstain from food, drink and various activities before the break of dawn until sunset for the entire month.	By abstaining from eating and drinking all day, Muslims who are able to fast come to understand and empathize with the less fortunate.

Pagan	No organized fast days, but some pagans choose to fast in preparation for Ostara (spring equinox).	At the discretion of the individual, some totally abstain from food, others reduce how much they eat.	Intended to purify a person energetically; often used to raise vibrational levels as preparation for magical work. Ostara fasting is used to cleanse oneself from heavier winter foods.
Protestant (Evangelical)	At the discretion of individuals, churches, organizations or communities.	Though some people abstain from food or drink entirely, others drink only water or juice, eat only certain foods, skip certain meals, or abstain from temptations, edible or not.	Evangelical fasts have become increasingly popular in recent years, with people fasting for spiritual nourishment, solidarity with impoverished people, a counterbalance to modern consumer culture or to petition God for special needs.
Protestant (Mainline)	Not a major part of the tradition, but fasts can be held at the discretion of communities, churches, other groups and individuals.	Discretion of those fasting.	For spiritual improvement or to advance a political or social justice agenda. One example: The ELCA's "Campaign of Prayer, Fasting and Vigils."

Acknowledgements to Federal Way Public Schools for the development of this resource.

Monthly Heritage and Recognition

This chart outlines key cultural observances, heritage months, and national awareness campaigns.

<i>July</i>	National Minority Mental Health Awareness Month Disability Pride Month
<i>August</i>	Back to School Month National Black Business Month
<i>September</i>	Hispanic Heritage Month (Sept. 15- Oct. 15) Suicide Prevention Awareness Month
<i>October</i>	Hispanic Heritage Month (Sept. 15- Oct. 15) Filipino American History Month LGBTQIA+ History Month Global Diversity Awareness Month National Disability Employment Awareness Month National Bullying Prevention Month
<i>November</i>	Native American Indian and Alaska Native Heritage Month National Homeless Youth Awareness Month Trans Awareness Month
<i>January</i>	Chinese American/Americans of Chinese Decent Month (Washington State)
<i>February</i>	African American/Black History Month
<i>March</i>	Women's History Month Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month

<i>April</i>	Arab American Heritage Month Holocaust Remembrance Day Autism Awareness Month
<i>May</i>	Asian Pacific Islander Desi American Heritage Month Foster Youth Awareness Month Mental Health Awareness Month
<i>June</i>	LGBTQIA+ Pride Month

Cultural & Religious Calendar Key

*	Observances begin at dusk .
+	Observance(s) occurs on the same day as a higher impact day, a weekend day or scheduled school holiday/break.
#	Some of these dates are not fixed to a calendar, but based on the actual sighting of the moon and therefore may be some variance by a day.
<i>Dark blue</i>	Dates highlighted in dark blue are Cultural Days of Significance . All practices and meetings will be optional and absences excused.
<i>Orange</i>	Dates highlighted in orange are Cultural Days of Recognition when cancelling or rescheduling competitions, formal events or performances will occur. All practices and regular meetings will be optional, and absences excused.
<i>Light blue</i>	Dates highlighted in light blue are Cultural Days of Awareness when before and after school activities may continue, but school will be aware that some students may be impacted and request support.
<i>Green</i>	Dates highlighted in green are Federal Holidays or School Breaks .

2025-2026 Student Calendar

School Year: August 27, 2025 - June 15, 2026



Key Dates

2025 2026

JULY				
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*Observance begins at dusk or sundown

+Observance(s) occurs on the same day as a higher impact day, a weekend day or scheduled school holiday/break.

#Some dates are not fixed to a calendar, but based on the actual sighting of the moon and therefore may vary.

Cultural Day of Significance

For those who observe, no after school meetings, events, athletics or practices. No class assessments will be conducted or class projects presented.

Aug 21-28, 2025	Paryushana-Parva
Sept 22-24, 2025	Rosh Hashanah*
Oct 1-2, 2025	Yom Kippur*
Oct 6-13, 2025	Sukkot*
Oct 20, 2025	Diwali
Dec 24, 2025	Christmas Eve+
Dec 25, 2025	Christmas+
Feb 17-Mar 19, 2026	Ramadan #*+
Mar 3-20, 2026	19 Day Fast+

Cultural Day of Recognition

For those who observe, canceling or rescheduling competitions, formal events or performances. Practices and regular meetings optional with absences excused. Normal classroom procedures.

Feb 17, 2026	Lunar & Chinese New Year+
Mar 19, 2026	Eid al-Fitr (end of Ramadan) #*+
May 26-27, 2026	Eid al-Adha #*

Cultural Day of Awareness

Before and after school activities may continue, but schools will be aware that some students may be impacted and request support.

Aug 16, 2025	Janmashtami #+
Sept 4, 2025	Mawlid al-Nabi #
Oct 14, 2025	Shemini Atzeret*
Oct 15, 2025	Simchat Torah*
Oct 31, 2025	Halloween
Dec 14-22, 2025	Hanukkah+
Dec 26-Jan 1, 2026	Kwanzaa+
Feb 14, 2026	Valentines Day+
Feb 18, 2026	Ash Wednesday+
Mar 4, 2026	Holi or Festival of Colors+
Mar 20-21, 2026	Naw Ruz+
Mar 27, 2026	Lailat ul-Qadr #
Apr 1-9, 2026	Passover*
Apr 3, 2026	Good Friday+
Apr 5, 2026	Easter+
Apr 14, 2026	Vaisakhi
May 22-23, 2026	Shavuot*+

Federal Holiday or School Break

Sept 1, 2025	Labor Day
Nov 11, 2025	Veterans Day
Nov 26-28, 2025	Thanksgiving Break, including Native American Heritage Day
Dec 22-Jan 2, 2026	Winter Break
Jan 1, 2026	New Year's Day
Jan 19, 2026	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Feb 16-20, 2026	Mid-winter break including President's Day
Apr 6-10, 2026	Spring Break
May 25, 2026	Memorial Day
Jun 19, 2026	Juneteenth

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Calendario de impacto 2025-2026

Año escolar: 27 de agosto de 2025 - 15 de junio de 2026



Fechas clave

Día Cultural de la Importancia

Para aquellos que observan, no hay reuniones, eventos, atletismo o prácticas después de la escuela. No se realizarán evaluaciones de clase ni se presentarán proyectos de clase.

Ago 21-28, 2025	Paryushana-Parva
Sept 22-24, 2025	Rosh Hashanah*+
1-2, 2025 Oct 6-13, 2025	Yom Kippur*+
Oct 20, 2025	Sukkot*+
Dec 24, 2025	Diwali+
Dec 25, 2025	Christmas Eve+
Feb 17-Mar 19, 2026	Christmas+
Mar 3-20, 2026	Ramadan #*+
	19 Day Fast+

Día Cultural de Reconocimiento

Para quienes observen, cancelen o reprogramen competencias, eventos formales o actuaciones. Prácticas y reuniones regulares opcionales con ausencias justificadas. Procedimientos normales del salón de clases.

Feb 17, 2026	Lunar & Chinese New Year+
Mar 19, 2026	Eid al-Fitr (end of Ramadan) #*+
Mayo 26-27, 2026	Eid al-Adha #*

Jornada Cultural de Concienciación

Las actividades antes y después de la escuela pueden continuar, pero las escuelas estarán conscientes de que algunos estudiantes pueden verse afectados y solicitar apoyo.

Ago 16, 2025	Janmashtami #+ Mawlid
Sept 4, 2025	al-Nabi # Shemini
Oct 14, 2025	Atzeret* Simchat Torah*
Oct 15, 2025	Halloween Hanukkah+
Oct 31, 2025	Kwanzaa+
Dic 14-22, 2025	Valentines Day+
Dic 26-Jan 1, 2026	Ash Wednesday+ Holi or
Feb 14, 2026	Festival of Colors+ Naw
Feb 18, 2026	Rúz+ Lailat ul-Qadr #
Mar 4, 2026	Passover* Good Friday+
Mar 20-21, 2026	Easter+
Mar 27, 2026	Vaisakhi
Abr 2-9, 2026	Shavuot*+
Abr 3, 2026	
Abr 5, 2026	
Abr 14, 2026	
May 22-23, 2026	

Vacaciones federales o vacaciones escolares

Sept 1, 2025	Día del trabajo
Nov 11, 2025	Día de los veteranos
Nov 26-28, 2025	Descanso de Acción de Gracias, Día de la Herencia Nativa Americana
Dic 22- Enero 2, 2026	Vacaciones de invierno
Enero 1, 2026	Día de Año Nuevo
Feb 17-18, 2026	Vacaciones de mediados de invierno, incluido el Día del Presidente
	Vacaciones de primavera
Abr 6-10, 2026	Día de los caídos de Guerra (Memorial Day)
Mayo 25, 2026	Juneteenth observado
Jun 19, 2026	

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*La observancia comienza al anochecer o al atardecer

+La(s) observancia(s) ocurre(n) el mismo día que un día de mayor impacto, un día de fin de semana o un feriado/descanso escolar programado.

#Algunas fechas no están fijadas en un calendario, sino que se basan en el avistamiento real de la luna y, por lo tanto, pueden variar.

July 2025

Date	Type/Cultural or Religious Group	Holiday or National Observance
06/27/25- 07/25/25	Islamic	*# Muharram
07/02/25	National	Independence Day
07/05/25	Islamic	*Ashura
07/09/25	Bahá'í	Martyrdom of the Báb
07/10/25	Buddhist	Dharma Day
07/26/25	National	Americans with Disabilities Day (ADA) Day

August 2025

Date	Type/Cultural or Religious Group	Holiday or National Observance
08/09/25	International	International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples
08/09/25	Hindu	Raksha Bandhan
08/12/25	International	International Youth Day
08/16/25	Hindu	#Janmashtami
08/21/25- 08/28/25	Jain	Parvushana-Parva
08/23/25	Chinese	Hungry Ghost Festivals

08/23/25	International	International Day of the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition
08/26/25	International	Women's Equality Day

September 2025

Date	Type/Cultural or Religious Group	Holiday or National Observance
09/01/25	National	+Labor Day
09/04/25	Islamic	#Mawlid al-Nabi
09/08/25	International	International Literacy Day
09/08/25	National	Grandparents Day
09/01/25- 09/13/25	National	National Suicide Prevention Week
09/11/25	National	Patriot Day and National Day of Service and Remembrance of September 11th
09/16/25	Hispanic	Mexican Independence Day
09/17/25	National	Constitution Day and Citizenship Day
09/17/25	National	Voter Registration Day

09/18/25	International	International Pay Day
09/21/25- 10/06/25	Cambodian	Pchum Ben Day
09/22/25- 09/24/25	Jewish	#*Rosh Hashanah
09/30/25	Native American	Orange Shirt Day- Canada's National Holiday for Truth and Reconciliation

October 2025

Date	Type/Cultural or Religious Group	Holiday or National Observance
09/22/25- 10/02/25	Hindu	Sharad Navrati\
10/01/25- 10/02/25	Jewish	*Yom Kippur
10/02/25	Persian	Mehregan
10/05/25	International	+World Teachers' Day
10/06/25	Vietnamese	Tet Trung Thu
10/06/25	Korean	Chuseok "Autumn Eve"
10/06/25- 10/13/25	Jewish	*Sukkot
10/08/25	National	Latina Equal Pay Day

10/11/25	National	+National Coming Out Day
10/12/25	Hindu	+Dasara, Dussehra, or Vijayadashami
10/13/25- 10/15/25	Jewish	*Shemini Azeret
10/14/25- 10/15/25	Jewish	*Simchat Torah
10/14/25	National	Indigenous Peoples' Day
10/16/25	International	International Pronouns Day
10/20/25	Hindu	Diwali
10/20/25	Sikh	First Installation of Guru Granth Sabib
10/21/25	Sikh	#Bandi Chhor Diwas
10/22/25	Bahá'í	Birth of the Báb
10/23/25	Bahá'í	Birth of Bahá'u'lláh
10/26/25	LGBTQIA+	Intersex Awareness Day
10/26/25	Sikh	+Sri Guru Granth Sahib Ji
10/26/25	Sikh	+Gur-Gaddi Guru Granth Sahib
10/29/25	Chinese	Chongyang
10/31/25	National	Halloween

November 2025

Date	Type/Cultural or Religious Group	Holiday or National Observance
11/01/25	Christian	+All Saints Day
11/01/25	Hispanic	+Dia De Los Muertos (Day of the Dead)
11/02/25	LGBTQIA+	+Transgender Parents Day
11/05/25	National	Election Day
11/06/25	Cambodian	Bon Om Touk (Water Festival)
11/08/25	LGBTQIA+	+Intersex Day of Solidarity
11/11/25	National	+Veterans Day
11/13/25- 11/19/25	LGBTQIA+	Transgender Awareness Week
11/16/25	International	International Day for Tolerance
11/19/25	International	+International Men's Day
11/20/25	LGBTQIA+	Transgender Remembrance Day
11/24/25	Sikh	Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji
11/27/25	National	+Thanksgiving Day
11/28/25	National	+Native American Heritage Day
11/30/25	Native American	+Native American Women's Equal Pay Day

December 2025

Date	Type/Cultural or Religious Group	Holiday or National Observance
12/01/25	International	World AIDS Day
12/01/25- 12/05/25	National	Inclusive Schools Week
12/02/25	National	Special Education Day
12/03/25	International	International Day of Persons with Disabilities
12/07/25	National	+Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
12/08/25	Catholic	Feast of the Immaculate Conception
12/10/25	LGBTQIA+	Pansexual and Panromantic Pride Day
12/10/25	International	International Human Rights Day
12/12/25	Mexican Catholic	Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe
12/14/25- 12/22/25	Jewish	+Hanukkah (Chanukah)
12/16/25- 12/24/25	Mexican Catholic	+Las Posadas
12/21/25	Persian	+Yalda Night

12/24/25	Christian	+Christmas Eve
12/25/25	Christian	+Christmas Day
12/26/25	International	+Boxing Day
12/26/25- 01/01/26	Pan African	+Kwanzaa

January 2026

Date	Type/Cultural or Religious Group	Holiday or National Observance
01/01/26	National	+New Year's Day
01/06/26	Sikh	Birthday of Guru Gobind Singh
01/06/26	Mexican Christian	Dia de los Reyes (Three Kings Day/Epiphany)
01/07/26	Christian Orthodox	Orthodox Christmas
01/16/26	Washington State	Temperance and Good Citizenship Day
01/19/26	National	+Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
01/20/26- 01/24/26	LGBTQIA+	Freedom Week (No Name Calling)
01/27/26	Jewish/International	International Holocaust Remembrance Day

February 2026

Date	Type/Cultural or Religious Group	Holiday or National Observance
02/12/26	Buddhist	Magha Puja Day
02/14/26	International	Valentines Day
02/15/26	Buddhist	+Nirvana Day
02/15/26- 02/16/26	Hindu	Maha Shivaratri
02/17/26	East/South Asian Cultures	+Lunar New Year
02/17/26	Chinese	+Chinese New Year
02/17/26	Vietnamese	+Tết
02/17/26- 03/19/26	Islamic	*+Ramadan
02/17/26	National	+President's Day
02/17/26- 02/23/26	LGBTQIA+	Aromantic Awareness Week
02/18/26	Christian	+Ash Wednesday
02/19/26	National	+Day of Remembrance (Japanese Internment)

March 2026

Date	Type/Cultural or Religious Group	Holiday or National Observance
03/01/26	National	Zero Discrimination Day
03/02/26- 03/03/26	Jewish	Purim
03/03/26	Buddhist	Magha Puja Day
03/03/26- 03/20/26	Bahá'í	19 Day Fast
03/04/26	Hindu	Holi
03/04/26- 03/06/26	Sikh	Hola Mohalla (Sikh New Year)
03/08/26	National	International Women's Day
03/14/26	National	Pi Day
03/16/26	Islamic	#Lailat Ul-Qadr/ Laylat Al-Qadr
03/17/26	Persian	Chaharshanbe Suri
03/17/26	Irish	St. Patrick's Day
03/17/26- 03/21/26	LGBTQIA+	National LGBTQIA+ Health Awareness Week
03/19/26- 03/20/26	Islamic	*#Eid al-Fitr
03/20/26	Persian	Nowruz (Persian New Year)

03/21/26	Bahá'í/ Kurdish / Zoroastrianism	+Naw Rúz
03/21/26	International	International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination
03/26/26	Hindu	Ramanavami
03/29/26	Christian/Orthodox	Palm Sunday
03/29/26- 04/05/26	Christian	Holy Week
03/31/26	LGBTQIA+	International Transgender Day of Visibility

April 2026

Date	Type/Cultural or Religious Group	Holiday or National Observance
04/01/26- 04/09/26	Jewish	+Passover
04/02/26	Persian	Sidzah Bedar
04/02/26	International	World Autism Awareness Day
04/03/26	Christian	Good Friday (Gregorian Calendar)
04/05/26	Christian	+Easter (Gregorian Calendar)

04/10/26	Christian Orthodox	+Orthodox Good Friday (Julian Calendar)
04/10/26	National	National Youth HIV/AIDS Awareness Day
04/11/26	National	National Day of Silence
04/12/26	Christian Orthodox	Orthodox Easter (Julian Calendar)
04/13/26- 04/14/26	Jewish	Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Memorial Day)
04/14/26- 04/16/26	Cambodian	Khmer New Year
04/14/26	Sikh	Vaisakhi (Birth of Guru Nanek Dev Ji)
04/21/26	Bahá'í	First Day of Ridván
04/23/26	English	Saint George's Day
04/26/26	LGBTQIA+	Lesbian Visibility Day
04/28/26	Bahá'í	Ninth Day of Ridván

May 2026

Date	Type/Cultural or Religious Group	Holiday or National Observance
05/01/26	Marshallese	Constitution Day

05/02/26	Bahá'í	Twelfth Day of Ridván
05/04/26	International	Family Equality Day
05/05/26	Japanese	Children's Day
05/05/26	Mexican	Cinco de Mayo
05/10/26	Mexican	Mother's Day- Mexico
05/10/26	National	Mother's Day
05/17/26	International	Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia, Biphobia
05/19/26	LGBTQIA+	Agender Pride Day
05/21/26	International	World Day of Cultural Diversity
05/22/26-05/23/26	Jewish	*+Shavout
05/23/26	Bahá'í	Declaration of the Báb
05/24/26	LGBTQIA+	Pansexual and Panromantic Awareness Day
05/25/26	National	+Memorial Day
05/24/26- 05/29/26	Islamic	Hajj
05/26/26- 05/27/26	Islamic	*#Eid-al-Adha (Feast of Sacrifice)

05/28/26	Bahá'í	Ascension of Bahá'u'lláh
05/31/26	Buddhist	Buddha Day/Visakha/Puja/Vesek

June 2026

Date	Type/Cultural or Religious Group	Holiday or National Observance
06/08/26	International	Race Unity Day
06/12/26	Filipino	Philippines Independence Day
06/12/26	LGBTQIA+	Pulse Night of Remembrance
06/14/26	National	Flag Day
06/14/26	Mexican	Día Del Niño (Children's Day)
06/15/26	National	Father's Day
06/16/26	Sikh	Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev Sahib
06/19/26	National	Juneteenth

06/20/26	International	World Refugee Day
06/26/26	LGBTQIA+	Anniversary of Legalization of Same-Sex Marriage in the U.S.
06/28/26	LGBTQIA+	Stonewall Riots Anniversary

How are observances chosen?

Due to the extensive number of cultural and religious observances, dates for this calendar were determined by the following criteria.



Absences

A student or a staff member may be absent as a result of this identified day.



Engagement

A student or staff member may be disengaged as a result of this identified day.



School Activities/Events

A student, family or staff member may not be able to participate in a school activity during or after school as a result of this identified day.



Teachable Moments

Identified day presents an opportunity for a teachable moment regarding ethnic or cultural diversity that might not otherwise be discussed, particularly dates associated with a continued history of oppressions, discrimination or racism.

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