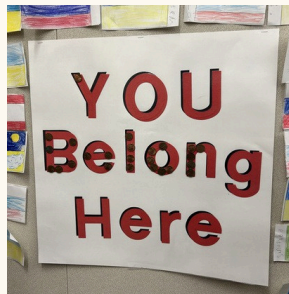


# CULTURAL & RELIGIOUS



# 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](http://www.everettsd.org/DEIcalendar).

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## 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.  |

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



|              |  |
|--------------|--|
| <i>April</i> | Arab American Heritage Month<br>Holocaust Remembrance Day<br>Autism Awareness Month                                  |
| <i>May</i>   | Asian Pacific Islander Desi American Heritage Month<br>Foster Youth Awareness Month Mental Health<br>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 <b>Cultural Days of Significance</b> . All practices and meetings will be optional and absences excused.  |
| <i>Orange</i>     | Dates highlighted in orange are <b>Cultural Days of Recognition</b> 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 <b>Cultural Days of Awareness</b> 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 <b>Federal Holidays</b> or <b>School Breaks</b> .   |

# 2025-2026 Student Calendar

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



## Key Dates

2025

2026

### JULY

| MON | TUE | WED | THUR | FRI |
|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|
|     | 1   | 2   | 3    | 4   |
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| 14  | 15  | 16  | 17   | 18  |
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| 28  | 29  | 30  | 31   |     |

### JANUARY

| MON | TUE | WED | THUR | FRI |
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### AUGUST

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| 25  | 26  | 27  | 28   | 29  |

### FEBRUARY

| MON | TUE | WED | THUR | FRI |
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### SEPTEMBER

| MON | TUE | WED | THUR | FRI |
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### MARCH

| MON | TUE | WED | THUR | FRI |
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| 30  | 31  |     |      |     |

### OCTOBER

| MON | TUE | WED | THUR | FRI |
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| 27  | 28  | 29  | 30   | 31  |

### APRIL

| MON | TUE | WED | THUR | FRI |
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### NOVEMBER

| MON | TUE | WED | THUR | FRI |
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| 10  | 11  | 12  | 13   | 14  |
| 17  | 18  | 19  | 20   | 21  |
| 24  | 25  | 26  | 27   | 28  |

### MAY

| MON | TUE | WED | THUR | FRI |
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### DECEMBER

| MON | TUE | WED | THUR | FRI |
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### JUNE

| MON | TUE | WED | THUR | FRI |
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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 Rúz+                    |
| 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



## 2025

### JULIO

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### AGOSTO

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### SEPTIEMBRE

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### OCTUBRE

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### NOVIEMBRE

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### DICIEMBRE

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## 2026

### ENERO

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### FEBRERO

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### MARZO

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### ABRIL

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### MAYO

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### JUNIO

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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.

### 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.

|                     |                  |
|---------------------|------------------|
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| 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+     |

### 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.

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|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| Ago 16, 2025       | Janmashtami #+              |
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| Feb 14, 2026       | Valentines Day+             |
| Feb 18, 2026       | Ash Wednesday+              |
| Mar 4, 2026        | Holi or Festival of Colors+ |
| Mar 20-21, 2026    | Naw Rúz+                    |
| Mar 27, 2026       | Lailat ul-Qadr #            |
| Abr 2-9, 2026      | Passover*                   |
| Abr 3, 2026        | Good Friday+                |
| Abr 5, 2026        | Easter+                     |
| Abr 14, 2026       | Vaisakhi                    |
| May 22-23, 2026    | Shavuot*+                   |

### Vacaciones federales o vacaciones escolares

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| 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 |
| Abr 6-10, 2026        | Vacaciones de primavera  |
| Mayo 25, 2026         | Día de los caídos de Guerra (Memorial Day)                         |
| Jun 19, 2026          | Juneteenth observado   |

## 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                              |

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| 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  |

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| 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           |



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| 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                                   |

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| 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<br>(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)               |



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| 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)     |

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| 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 |
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| 05/01/26 | Marshallese                      | Constitution Day               |

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| 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)            |

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| 05/28/26 | Bahá'í   | Ascension of Bahá'u'lláh         |
| 05/31/26 | Buddhist | Buddha<br>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                        |

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| 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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