

Special Dates for Activities

Many opportunities exist for planning special activities during the school year. Whether to honor individuals, groups, or just to break the normal routine, consider the following events as you plan your calendar.

SEPTEMBER

Sept. 1-30	Library Card Sign-Up Month
Sept. 1-30	Read-A-New-Book Month
Sept. 1-30	Women of Achievement Month
Sept. 9-15	National Suicide Prevention Week
Sept. 11	Patriot Day (World Trade Center Remembrance)
Sept. 15-	
Oct. 15	Hispanic Heritage Month
Sept. 17	Citizenship Day
Sept. 17-21	Constitution Week
Sept. 21	International Day of Peace
Sept. 23	National Good Neighbor Day
Sept. 29	Family Health & Fitness Day

OCTOBER

Oct. 1-31	Healthy Lung Month
Oct. 1	National Child Health Day
Oct. 5	World Teacher Day
Oct. 7-13	Fire Prevention Week
Oct. 7-13	National School Lunch Week
Oct. 7-13	National Metric Week
Oct. 8-14	National Educational Office Professionals Career Awareness Week
Oct. 10	Stop America's Violence Everywhere Today
Oct. 15-19	National Health Education Week
Oct. 15-21	National School Bus Safety Week
Oct. 15-21	America's Safe Schools Week
Oct. 16	World Food Day
Oct. 21-27	Character Counts! Week
Oct. 22	Make a Difference Day
Oct. 23-31	Red Ribbon Drug Free America Week
Oct. 26	National Day of Concern about Young People and Gun Violence

NOVEMBER

Nov. 1-30	American Indian Heritage Month
Nov. 1-30	American Diabetes Month
Nov. 1-30	National Epilepsy Month
Nov. 1-30	Good Nutrition Month
Nov. 1-7	World Communication Week
Nov. 1	National Family Literacy Day
Nov. 11	Veterans' Day
Nov. 11-17	National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week
Nov. 11-17	American Education Week
Nov. 11-17	Youth Appreciation Week
Nov. 12-18	National Children's Book Week
Nov. 12-18	World Kindness Week
Nov. 13	Mix It Up at Lunch Day
Nov. 14	National Education Support Professionals Day
Nov. 15	Great American Smokeout
Nov. 15	America Recycles Day
Nov. 18-24	National Family Week
Nov. 22	Stop the Violence Day

DECEMBER

Dec. 1-31	Read New Book Month
Dec. 1-31	Universal Human Rights Month
Dec. 1-31	Safe Toy and Gift Month
Dec. 1-7	Tolerance Week
Dec. 1	World AIDS Day
Dec. 2	Special Education Day
Dec. 4	Extraordinary Work Team Recognition Day
Dec. 6	Clean Air Day
Dec. 10	Human Rights Day
Dec. 15	Bill of Rights Day
Dec. 15-21	International Language Week

JANUARY

Jan. 1-31	National Mentoring Month
Jan. 1-31	National Hobby Month

Jan. 1-31	Book Blitz Month
Jan. 17	Holocaust Memorial Day
Jan. 20-26	Healthy Weight Week
Jan. 21	Martin Luther King Holiday

FEBRUARY

Feb. 1-29	Black History Month
Feb. 1-29	International Friendship Month
Feb. 1-29	American Heart Month
Feb. 1-29	Youth Leadership Month
Feb. 4-8	National School Counseling Week
Feb. 5-9	National Teen Dating Violence Awareness Week
Feb. 7	Chinese New Year
Feb. 13	Race Relations Day
Feb. 17	Random Acts of Kindness Day
Feb. 19	Student Volunteer Day
Feb. 25-	
March 3	Peace Corps Week

MARCH

March 1-31	National Middle Level Education Month
March 1-31	National Women's History Month
March 1-31	National Nutrition Month
March 1-31	Music in Our Schools Month
March 1-31	Youth Art Month
March 3	NEA's Read Across America
March 3-7	National School Breakfast Week
March 8	International Women's Day
March 15	Absolutely Incredible Kid Day
March 16-22	National Poison Prevention Week
March 21	International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination
March 28	Kick Butts Day (Campaign, Tobacco Free Kids)

APRIL

April 1-30	Keep America Beautiful Month
April 1-30	Autism Awareness Month
April 1-30	National Mathematics Education Month
April 1-30	National Child Abuse Prevention Month
April 10	Encourage a Young Writer Day
April 13-19	National Environmental Education Week
April 13-19	National Library Week
April 14-20	Young People's Poetry Week
April 20-26	National Student Leadership Week
April 21-27	National TV-Turnoff Week
April 23-29	National Volunteer Week
April 22	Earth Day
April 23	Administrative Professionals Day
April 25	National Arbor Day

MAY

May 1-31	National Scholarship Month
May 1-31	Teen Self-Esteem Month
May 1-7	National Physical Education and Sports Week
May 4-10	Teacher Appreciation Week
May 4-10	Be Kind to Animals Week
May 4	Childhood Depression Awareness Day (Green Ribbon Day)
May 6	National Teacher Day
May 7	National School Nurse Day
May 18	Peace Day
May 18-24	National Educational Bosses' Week
May 25	National Missing Children's Day

JUNE

June 1-July 4	Fireworks Safety Month
June 1-30	National Safety Month
June 5	National Hunger Awareness Day
June 5	World Environment Day
June 8	Race Unity Day
June 14	Flag Day
June 19	Juneteenth (Liberation of Slaves)

