

# **Observances and Celebrations**

2025-2026

#### **Month**

Month-long Observation

Non-School Day

\*MPS Event

The MPS Observances and Celebrations calendar is intended to honor the experiences of our various cultural groups as well as inform community members and school staff of upcoming observances that may be relevant to their school community. This is meant to be a living calendar. If you have any additional observances that you would like to recommend we include in this calendar, please email <a href="mailto:engagement@mpls.kl2.mn.us">engagement@mpls.kl2.mn.us</a>. The calendar is updated annually in July.

# September

Latino Heritage Month (Sept. 15-Oct. 15)

Labor Day | September 1, 2025

Minneapolis Student Homelessness Awareness Day | September 8, 2025

National Adult Education and Family Literacy Week | September 14-20, 2025

Centroamerica Independence Day | September 15, 2025

Mexican Independence Day | September 16, 2025

Constitution Day | September 17, 2025

Rosh Hashanah | September 22-25, 2025

#### October

Latino Heritage Month (Sept. 15-Oct. 15) | Principal Appreciation Month

Yom Kippur | October 1-2, 2025 |

Custodian Appreciation Day | October 2, 2025

\*Walk, Bike & Roll to School Day/Let's Roll MPS Southside | October 8, 2025

MPS Latino Heritage Day | October 10, 2025

National Coming Out Day | October 11, 2025

Indigenous Peoples' Day | October 13, 2025

National School Lunch Week | October 13-17, 2025

School Bus Safety Week | October 20-24, 2025

### November

#### Native American Heritage Month | Hmong New Year Celebrated

Día de los Muertos | November 1-2, 2025

National School Psychology Week | November 3-7, 2025

Veterans Day | November 11, 2025

National Community Education Day | November 14, 2025

American Education Week | November 16-20, 2025

\*American Indian Family Involvement and Awareness Week | November 17-21, 2025

National Education Support Professionals Day | November 19, 2025

Thanksgiving Break | November 26-28, 2025

Native American Heritage Day | November 28, 2025

### December

#### **Hmong New Year Celebrated**

Special Education Day | December 2, 2025

Chanukah (Hanukkah) I December 14, 2025 - December 22, 2025

\*Winter Break | December 22, 2025-January 2, 2026

Christmas Day | December 25, 2025

Kwanzaa | December 26, 2025-January 1, 2026

## January

New Year's Day | January 1, 2026

Día de Reyes | January 6, 2026

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day | January 19, 2026

Minnesota Paraprofessionals Week | January 19-25, 2026

Holocaust Remembrance Day | January 27, 2026

## February

#### Black History Month | Career and Technical Education Month

National School Counseling Week | February 2-6, 2026

National African American Family Involvement Day | February 9, 2026

Presidents Day | February 16, 2026

Minnesota Transportation & School Bus Driver Appreciation Day | February 21, 2026

Ramadan | February 17-March 19, 2026

<sup>\*</sup>Winter Wellness Week | February 2-6, 2026

<sup>\*</sup>Winter Walk Day | February 4, 2026

### March

Women's History Month | Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month

Read Across America Day | March 2, 2026

Social Work Week | March 1-7, 2026

National School Breakfast Week | March 2-6, 2026

International Women's Day | March 8, 2026

Eid al-Fitr | March 19-20, 2026

\*Spring Break | March 30- April 3, 2026

## **April**

Volunteer Appreciation Month | National Autism Acceptance Month

Passover | April 1-9, 2026

Easter | April 5, 2026

National Volunteer Appreciation Week | April 19-25, 2026

Afterschool Professionals Appreciation Week | April 20-24, 2026

Administrative Professionals Day | April 22, 2026

## May

Asian American Heritage Month | Minnesota American Indian Month |

Jewish American Heritage Month | Mental Health Month

Principal Appreciation Day | May 1, 2026

School Lunch Hero Day | May 2, 2026

National Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls | May 5, 2026 Cinco De Mayo I May 5, 2026

\*MPS Wellness Week | May 4-8, 2026

Teacher Appreciation Week I May 6-10, 2026

School Nurse Day | May 13, 2026

\*Bike, Walk & Roll to School Day/Let's Roll MPS Northside | May 6, 2026

National Receptionist Day I May 13, 2026

Yom Ha'atzmaut (Israel's Independence Day) I May 13-14, 2026

Hmong American Day | May 14, 2026

Eritrean Independence Day | May 24, 2026

Memorial Day | May 26, 2026

Eid al Adha | May 27-28, 2026

#### June

**LGBTQ Pride Month** 

Native American Day I June 7, 2026 Islamic New Year I May 16, 2026 Juneteenth | June 19, 2026 Somali Independence Day I June 26, 2026

# July

Somali Independence Day Observation Week | July 1-7, 2026 American United States Independence Day I July 4, 2026 Liberian Independence Day I July 26, 2026

# August

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