

2022-2023 Cultural & Religious Observances

	Date	Holiday / Observance	Religious Group
August '22	11	Raksha Bandhan	Hindu
	12	International Youth Day	
	19	Jayanti	Hindu
	23	International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and Its Abolition	
	26	Women's Equality Day	
	31	Ganesh Chaturthi	Hindu
September '22 Hispanic Heritage Month (September 15-October 15)	5	Labor Day	
	17	Constitution Day and Citizenship Day	
	22	Autumnal Equinox	
	25-27	*Rosh Hashanah (New Year)	Jewish
	26-Oct. 5	Navaratri/Dussehra	Hindu
October '22 LGBT History Month National Bullying Prevention Month National Disability Awareness Month	5	Dussehra	Hindu
	5	World Teacher's Day	
	4-5	*Yom Kippur	Jewish
	8	Mawlid al-Nabi	Islamic
	10	Indigenous Peoples' Day	
	9-16	*Sukkot	Jewish
	16-18	*Shemini Atzeret & Simchat Torah	Jewish
	24	Diwali	Hindu
	26	Bestu Varas	Hindu
	31	Halloween	
	31	Reformation Day	Christian
	November '22 National Adoption Month National American Indian Heritage Month	1	All Saints' Day
11		Veterans Day	
14-18		American Education Week	
24		Thanksgiving Day	
26-Dec. 5		Navaratri	Hindu
27-Dec. 24		Advent	Christian
December '22	3	International Day of Persons with Disabilities	
	8	Bodhi Day	Buddhist
	12	Our Lady of Guadalupe	Christian
	18-26	*Chanukah	Jewish
	21	Winter Solstice	
	25	Christmas Day	Christian
	26-Jan. 1	Kwanzaa	African American
January '23	1	New Year's Day	
	6	Epiphany	Christian
	7	Christmas (Orthodox)	Orthodox Christian
	7	Mahayana New Year	Buddhist
	15-18	Pongal	Hindu
	16	Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	
	16-20	No Name Calling Week	
	22	Lunar New Year	Chinese, Korean, Vietnamese
27	Un Holocaust Memorial Day		

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February '23 Black History Month	6	Tu B'Shvat	Jewish
	14	Valentine's Day	
	15	Nirvana Day	Buddhist
	15	Susan B. Anthony Day	
	18	Maha Shivaratri	Hindu
	20	Presidents' Day	
	21	Shrove Tuesday	Christian
	22	Ash Wednesday	Christian
	27	Beginning of Great Lent	Orthodox Christian
March '23 National Women's History Month	6	Magha Puja	Buddhist
	6-7	*Purim	Jewish
	8	International Women's Day	
	17	St. Patrick's Day	Christian
	20	Vernal Equinox	
	21	Holi	Hindu
	21	International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination	
	23-April 20	*Ramadan	Islamic
	30	Rama Navami	Hindu
	31	Cesar Chavez Day	
April '23 Arab American Heritage Month	2	Palm Sunday	Christian
	5-13	*Passover	Jewish
	6	Theravada New Year	Buddhist
	7	Good Friday	Christian
	9	Easter	Christian
	9	Palm Sunday	Orthodox Christian
	13	Holy Thursday (<i>Maundy Thursday</i>)	Orthodox Christian
	14	Holy Friday	Orthodox Christian
	16	Pascha (<i>Easter</i>)	Orthodox Christian
	18	Yom HaShoah	Jewish
	18	*Laylat al-Qadr	Islamic
	21-22	*Eid al-Fitr (End of Ramadan)	Islamic
	May '23 Asian Pacific American Heritage Month Jewish American Heritage Month	5	Cinco de Mayo
5		Visakha Puja	Buddhist
9		Lag B'Omer	Jewish
12		Mother's Day	
18		Ascension Day	Christian
21		World Day for Cultural Diversity	
25-27		*Shavuot	Jewish
29		Memorial Day	
June '23 LGBTQ+ Pride Month National Caribbean American Heritage Month	14	Flag Day	
	18	Father's Day	
	19	Juneteenth	
	21	Summer Solstice	
	28	Eid al-Adha	Islamic

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