



# On Call

## Key 2014-15 Dates for School Calendars

Here are some special days you may want to note on your 2014-15 school year calendar or take into consideration as you establish programs for next year. They are from Resources for Planning the School Calendar, published and distributed by Educational Research Service and National School Public Relations Association, 15948 Derwood Road, Rockville, MD 20855. Order online at [nspra.org/products](http://nspra.org/products) or call (301) 519-0496. The price is \$38 per copy plus \$7 estimated shipping and handling.

Reproduction rights for materials distributed as part of On Call are granted only to subscribing districts and are restricted to distribution as part of their local public relations programs.

For content questions contact: Marcia Latta  
Communications Consultant  
(503) 580-2612.

For subscription information, contact WSSDA at  
(800) 562-8927 or  
(360) 493-9231.

**May  
2014**

Washington State  
School Directors'  
Association  
221 College Street N.E.  
Olympia, WA 98516

### 2014

#### Date Observance/Holiday

Sept. 1-30	Library Card Sign-Up Month
Sept. 1	Labor Day
Sept. 7	Grandparents' Day
Sept. 8	International Literacy Day
Sept. 11	Patriot Day
Sept. 14-20	National Arts in Education Week
Sept. 15- Oct. 15	Hispanic Heritage Month
Sept. 15-16	Mexican Independence Days
Sept. 16	Mayflower Day
Sept. 17	Citizenship Day
Sept. 17-23	Constitution Week
Sept. 21	International Day of Peace
Sept. 22	First Day of Autumn
Sept. 24-26	Rosh Hashanah*
Sept. 28	National Good Neighbor Day
Oct. 1-31	Crime Prevention Month
Oct. 1-31	Czech Heritage Month
Oct. 1-31	Italian American Heritage and Culture Month
Oct. 1-31	Polish American Heritage Month
Oct. 1-31	National Principals Month
Oct. 1-31	Trick or Treat for UNICEF Month
Oct. 3	Yom Kippur*
Oct. 5-11	National Metric Week

#### Date Observance/Holiday

Oct. 5-11	Fire Prevention Week
Oct. 6	Child Health Day
Oct. 6	German American Heritage Day
Oct. 8	International Walk to School Day
Oct. 12-18	National Educational Office Professionals Week
Oct. 13	Canadian Thanksgiving
Oct. 13	Columbus Day
Oct. 13-17	National School Lunch Week
Oct. 16	World Food Day
Oct. 19-25	National Character Counts Week
Oct. 20-24	National School Bus Safety Week
Oct. 23-31	Red Ribbon Week (Drug-Free America)
Oct. 24	United Nations Day
Oct. 25	Make a Difference Day
Oct. 31	Halloween
Nov. 1-30	Native American Heritage Month
Nov. 2	Standard Time
Nov. 4	Election Day
Nov. 11	Veterans Day
Nov. 17-21	American Education Week
Nov. 19	Education Support Professionals Day

(Over)

Key dates

May 2014

Page 2

**Date Observance/Holiday**

Nov. 19 Gettysburg Address  
Anniversary  
Nov. 20 National Parental Involvement  
Day  
Nov. 21 Substitute Educators Day  
Nov. 23-29 National Family Week  
Nov. 27 Thanksgiving Day  
Dec. 1 World AIDS Day  
Dec. 7 Pearl Harbor Day  
Dec. 10 Human Rights Day  
Dec. 15 Bill of Rights Day  
Dec. 16-24 Hanukkah\*  
Dec. 21 First Day of Winter  
Dec. 25 Christmas  
Dec. 26-Jan. 1 Kwanzaa

**2015**

**Date Observance/Holiday**

Jan. 1 New Year's Day  
Jan. 1 Emancipation Proclamation  
Anniversary  
Jan. 1-31 School Board Recognition  
Month  
Jan. 18 World Religion Day  
Jan. 19 Martin Luther King Jr. Day  
Feb. 1-28 African American History  
Month  
Feb. 1-28 National Children's Dental  
Health Month  
Feb. 1 National Freedom Day  
Feb. 2 Groundhog Day  
Feb. 2-6 National School Counseling  
Week  
Feb. 12 Abraham Lincoln's Birthday  
Feb. 14 Valentine's Day  
Feb. 17 National PTA Founders Day  
Feb. 17 Mardi Gras  
Feb. 16 Presidents' Day  
Feb. 18 Ash Wednesday  
Feb. 18- Lent  
April 4

**Date Observance/Holiday**

Feb. 19 Chinese New Year  
Feb. 21-28 National FFA Week  
Feb. 22 George Washington's  
Birthday  
Mar. 1-31 American Red Cross Month  
Mar. 1-31 Irish American Heritage  
Month  
Mar. 1-31 Music in Our Schools Month  
Mar. 1-31 National Middle Level  
Education Month  
Mar. 1-31 National Nutrition Month®  
Mar. 1-31 Social Work Month  
Mar. 1-31 Women's History Month  
Mar. 1-31 Youth Art Month  
Mar. 2 NEA's Read Across America  
(Dr. Seuss's Birthday)  
Mar. 2-6 National School Breakfast  
Week  
Mar. 2-8 National Foreign Language  
Week  
Mar. 8 International Women's Day  
Mar. 8 Daylight Saving Time  
Mar. 9-13 Classified School Employees  
Week  
Mar. 11 Johnny Appleseed Day  
Mar. 15-21 National Agriculture Week  
Mar. 15-21 National Poison Prevention  
Week  
Mar. 17 St. Patrick's Day  
Mar. 19 Absolutely Incredible Kid  
Day®  
Mar. 20 First Day of Spring  
Mar. 21 Bahá'í New Year's Day  
Mar. 21 International Day for the  
Elimination of Racial  
Discrimination  
Apr. 1-30 National Poetry Month  
Apr. 1-30 National Autism Awareness  
Month  
Apr. 1 April Fools' Day

(Over)

Key dates

May 2014  
Page 3

**Date Observance/Holiday**

Apr. 2 International Children's Book Day  
Apr. 3-4 Passover\* (First Days)  
Apr. 3 Good Friday  
Apr. 5 Easter  
Apr. 7 World Health Day  
Apr. 10-11 Passover (Concluding Days)  
Apr. 12-18 National Environmental Education Week  
Apr. 12-18 National Library Week  
Apr. 15-16 Holocaust Remembrance Day\*  
Apr. 19-25 Administrative Professionals Week  
Apr. 19-25 National Coin Week  
Apr. 19-25 National Student Leadership Week  
Apr. 20-24 Public School Volunteer Week  
Apr. 20 Patriot's Day  
Apr. 22 Earth Day  
Apr. 22 Administrative Professionals Day  
Apr. 23 Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day™  
Apr. 24 National Arbor Day  
May 1-31 Asian Pacific American Heritage Month  
May 1-31 Better Hearing and Speech Month  
May 1-31 National Physical Fitness and Sports Month  
May 1-31 Preservation Month  
May 1-7 National Physical Education and Sports Week  
May 1 Law Day  
May 3 World Press Freedom Day  
May 4 Horace Mann's Birthday  
May 3-10 National Music Week  
May 3-9 Be Kind to Animals Week

**Date Observance/Holiday**

May 3-9 Teacher Appreciation Week  
May 4-8 School Nutrition Employee Week  
May 5 Cinco de Mayo  
May 5 National Teacher Day  
May 6 National School Nurse Day  
May 8 World Red Cross Day  
May 10-16 Food Allergy Awareness Week  
May 10 Mother's Day  
May 11-17 National Children's Book Week  
May 16 Armed Forces Day  
May 17-23 National Educational Bosses' Week  
May 18 Victoria Day (Canada)  
May 25 Memorial Day  
May 31 World No Tobacco Day  
June – July Fireworks Safety Month  
June 1-30 Caribbean-American Heritage Month  
June 1-30 Great Outdoors Month  
June 5 World Environment Day  
June 14 Race Unity Day  
June 14 Flag Day  
June 14-18 National History Day Contest  
June 16 International Day of the African Child  
June 18 First Day of Ramadan  
June 21 Father's Day  
June 21 First Day of Summer

\*Begins at sunset on the preceding day