

# HOLIDAY CALENDAR 2025-2029

## JUNE 2025

**26, THURSDAY, – ISLAMIC HOLIDAY: AL HIJRA-** Islamic New Year. Marks the migration of the Prophet Mohammad and his followers from Mecca to Medina of the Jewish people. (Fast begins 1<sup>st</sup> morning light)

## JULY 2025

**4 – FRIDAY, JULY FOURTH –** Federal and state agencies closed.

## AUGUST 2025

**2,3 TISHA B'AV (SATURDAY EVENING) –** Fast of the 9<sup>th</sup> of Av.

## SEPTEMBER 2025

**1, MONDAY - LABOR DAY –** Federal and state agencies closed.

**22-24 ROSH HASHANAH (MONDAY EVENING) TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY-** (Jewish New Year) Begins the Jewish year 5784

**25, THURSDAY – TZOM GEDALIAH:** Commemorates the start of Babylonian exile.

## OCTOBER 2025

**1- 2, YOM KIPPUR (WEDNESDAY EVENING) THURSDAY** (Day of Atonement) Most holy of Jewish holidays, devoted to prayer, fasting and repentance.

**13, MONDAY - COLUMBUS DAY -** Federal and state agencies closed.

**6 OCT - SUKKOT (MONDAY EVENING) ENDS WEDNESDAY OCT 8** (Feast of Tabernacles) - First day of festival of harvest, thanksgiving, and remembrance of the Jewish wandering in the wilderness and living in booths or tabernacles after the exodus from Egypt.

**14 - SHEMINI ATZERET (WEDNESDAY EVENING) THURSDAY** (Eighth Day of Assembly) - Marks the climax of the Jewish holy season.

**15 - SIMCHAT TORAH (THURSDAY EVENING) FRIDAY** (Rejoicing in the Law) - Reading of the Torah is completed and begun anew in the synagogue.

**24, FRIDAY - UNITED NATIONS DAY**

**26, FRIDAY - REFORMATION DAY -** Observed by Protestant groups to mark the beginning of Protestant Reformation in 1517.

## NOVEMBER 2025

**1, SATURDAY - ALL SAINTS DAY:** Christian holy day of obligation commemorating all saints.

**2, SUNDAY – ALL SOULS' DAY:** Roman Catholic day of remembrance for friends and loved ones who have passed away.

**11, TUESDAY - VETERANS DAY -** Federal and state agencies closed.

**17 - 21 - AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK**

**27, THURSDAY - THANKSGIVING DAY:** Federal and state agencies closed.

**29, FRIDAY - AMERICAN INDIAN HERITAGE DAY**

## DECEMBER 2025

**8, MONDAY - FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION –** Catholic holy day celebrating the privilege of freedom from sin.

**10, WEDNESDAY - HUMAN RIGHTS DAY -** Marks U.N. adoption of the Universal

**15, MONDAY - BILL OF RIGHTS DAY -** Marks ratification of the first ten amendments to the U.S. Constitution in 1791.

**14 – 22 CHANUKAH (SUNDAY EVENING) MONDAY** (Festival of Lights) - Eight-day festival marking the first recorded battle for religious liberty and rededication of the Temple by the Maccabees.

**25, THURSDAY, CHRISTMAS DAY –** Federal and state agencies closed.

## JANUARY 2026

**1, THURSDAY- NEW YEAR'S DAY –** Schools closed. Federal and state agencies closed

**10, FRIDAY -ASARAH B'TEVET** (*Fast of Tevet-which begins morning light*)

Commemorates the beginning of the Babylonian siege of Jerusalem (6<sup>th</sup> Century BCE). Declaration of Human Rights in 1948

**19, MONDAY – MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY –** In honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. (b. 1929). Schools closed. Federal and state agencies closed.

## FEBRUARY 2026

**ALL FEBRUARY – AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH**

**2, MONDAY – TU BISHVAT –** New Year for Trees

**12, THURSDAY – LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY** (b. February 12, 1809).

**16, MONDAY – PRESIDENTS' DAY –** Celebrates the birthdays of George Washington (b. 1732) and Abraham Lincoln (b. 1809). Schools closed. Federal and state agencies closed.

**18, WEDNESDAY – ASH WEDNESDAY-** Opens Lenten Season

## MARCH 2026

**2, MONDAY– TA'ANIT ESTHER** (Fast of Esther) – Commemorates the fast of Queen Esther (Fast begins Thursday morning).

**2-3 PURIM (MONDAY EVENING) TUESDAY-** Jewish day of merry making, marking defeat of Persian tyrant, Haman

**17, TUESDAY - ST. PATRICK'S DAY**

**25, WEDNESDAY- MARYLAND DAY –** Commemorating the arrival of Lord Baltimore's first settlers in Maryland in 1634.

**29, SUNDAY – PALM SUNDAY**

## APRIL 2026

**1 – 3 PESACH (WEDNESDAY EVENING) THURSDAY & FRIDAY-** First two days of PESACH (Passover) Jewish festival marking deliverance from slavery in Egypt.

**3, FRIDAY – GOOD FRIDAY**

**4, SATURDAY - HOLY SATURDAY**

**5, SUNDAY – EASTER**

**8 - 9 – PESACH (WEDNESDAY EVENING) THURSDAY-** Concluding days of PESACH (Passover).

**12, SUNDAY - EASTERN ORTHODOX EASTER**

**13 - 14, YOM HASHOAH (MONDAY EVENING) TUESDAY:** Holocaust Remembrance Day – Memorializing the six million martyrs who died in the Holocaust, 1939-1945.

**20, MONDAY - YOM HAZIKARON:** Israel's Memorial Day

**22, WEDNESDAY – YOM HA'ATZMAUT:** Israel Independence Day.

## MAY 2026

**4, MONDAY, LAG BAOMER** the 33rd day of the counting of the Omer.

**14, THURSDAY - YOM YERUSHALAYIM –** Anniversary of the reunification of Jerusalem in 1967 Six-Day war

**21, THURSDAY- EREV OF SHAVUOT**

**22-23 -SHAVUOT FRIDAY AND SATURDAY-** Marks giving of the Torah on Mount Sinai.

**25, MONDAY- MEMORIAL DAY** (observed). Schools closed.

Federal and state agencies closed.

**27, WEDNESDAY - ISLAMIC HOLIDAY: EID-UL-ADHA** (Feast of Sacrifice).

## JUNE 2026

**14, SUNDAY- FLAG DAY:** to commemorate the United States flag's adoption.

**19, FRIDAY - JUNETEENTH INDEPENDENCE DAY**

## JULY 2026

**4, - SATURDAY, JULY FOURTH -** Federal and state agencies c

**23, THURSDAY, TISHA B'AV (SATURDAY EVENING) -** Fast of the 9<sup>th</sup> of A

# USE OF HOLIDAY CALENDAR

This calendar was prepared and designed mainly to help teachers and school administrators plan and schedule special events and activities such as examinations, assemblies, field trips, graduations and other school-related programs. Federal, state, county, and city government agencies, legislative bodies, and courts, as well as private employers, may also find this calendar helpful. ALL Jewish holidays are set according to the Hebrew lunar calendar, so that they begin at sundown on the preceding evening and

conclude at sundown on the dates noted. The Sabbath begins at sunset on Friday evening and concludes at sunset on Saturday. During these observances, work is traditionally prohibited. As a result, Jewish individuals may be absent from both school and places of employment.

No person should be penalized for his/her religious observances or beliefs.

## 5-YEAR CALENDAR OF MAJOR JEWISH HOLIDAYS

Holiday	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Pesach (Passover)	April 23 & 24 Tues.& Wed.	April 2 & 3 Thurs. & Fri	April 22 & 23 Thurs. & Fri	April 11 & 12 Tues & Wed.	March 31 & April 1 Sat. & Sun
Concluding days of Pesach (Passover)	April 19 & 20 Sat. & Sun.	April 8 & 9 Wed. & Thur.	April 28 & 29 Wed. & Thur.	April 17 & 18 Mon. & Tues.	April 6 & 7 Frid. & Sat.
Shavuot (Receiving of the Torah)	June 2 & 3 Mon. & Tues.	May 22 & 23 Fri. & Sat.	June 11 & 12 Fri. & Sat.	May 31 & June 1 Wed. & Thurs.	May 20 & 21 Sun. & Mon.
Rosh Hashanah (New Year)	Sept. 23 & 24 Tues. & Wed.	Sept. 12 & 13 Sat. & Sun.	Oct. 2 & 3 Sat. & Sun.	Sept. 21 & 22 Thurs. & Fri.	Sept. 10 & 11 Mon. & Tues
Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement)	Oct. 2 Thursday	Sept. 21 Monday	Oct.11 Monday	Sept. 30 Saturday	Sept. 19 Wednesday
Sukkot (Feast of Tabernacles)	Oct. 7 & 8 Tues. & Wed.	Sept. 26 & 27 Sat. & Sun.	Oct. 16 & 17 Sat. & Sun.	Oct. 5 & 6 Thurs. & Fri.	Sept. 24 & 25 Mon. & Tues.
Shemini Atzeret (Eighth Day of Assembly)	Oct. 14 Tuesday	Oct. 3 Saturday	Oct. 23 Saturday	Oct 12 Thursday	Mon. Oct. 1
Simchat Torah (Rejoicing of the Law)	Oct. 15 Wednesday	Oct. 4 Sunday	Oct. 24 Sunday	Oct. 13 Friday	Oct. 2 Tuesday
Tisha B'av (Official Day of Mourning)	August 3 Sunday	July 23 Thursday	August 12 Thurs.	August 1 Tuesday	July 22 Sunday