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## Key 2004-2005 Dates for School Calendars

Here are some special days you might want to note on your 2004-2005 school year calendar or take into consideration as you establish programs for next year. They are taken from Resources for Planning the School Calendar, published by the Educational Research Service, 2000 Clarendon Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22201. The price is \$36.

### 2004

Date	Observance/Holiday
Sept. 1-30	Library Card Sign-Up Month
Sept. 6	Labor Day
Sept. 8	Internat'l Literacy Day
Sept. 12	Grandparents' Day
Sept. 15 - Oct. 15	Hispanic Heritage Month
Sept. 15-16	Mexican Independence Days
Sept. 16	Mayflower Day
Sept. 16-17	Rosh Hashanah*
Sept. 17-23	Constitution Week
Sept. 17	Citizenship Day
Sept. 21	Internat'l Day of Peace
Sept. 22	First Day of Autumn
Sept. 25	Yom Kippur*
Sept. 26	Nat'l Good Neighbor Day
Oct. 1-31	Crime Prevention Month
Oct. 1-31	Computer Learning Month®
Oct. 1-31	German American Heritage 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	UNICEF Month
Oct. 3-9	Fire Prevention Week
Oct. 10-16	Nat'l Metric Week
Oct. 10-16	NAEOP Career Awareness Week

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Oct. 10-16	Nat'l School Lunch Week
Oct. 11	Canadian Thanksgiving
Oct. 11	Columbus Day
Oct. 15	Ramadan, First Day
Oct. 16	World Food Day
Oct. 17-23	Nat'l School Bus Safety Week
Oct. 17-23	America's Safe Schools Week
Oct. 23	Make a Difference Day
Oct. 23-31	Red Ribbon Week (Drug-Free America)
Oct. 24	United Nations Day
Oct. 31	Standard Time
Oct. 31	Halloween
Nov. 1-30	American Indian Heritage Month
Nov. 2	Election Day
Nov. 11	Veterans Day
Nov. 14	Id al-Fitr (End of Ramadan)
Nov. 14-20	American Education Week
Nov. 15-21	Youth Appreciation Week
Nov. 15-21	Nat'l Children's Book Week
Nov. 17	Nat'l Education Support Professionals Day
Nov. 18	Nat'l Parental Involvement Day
Nov. 19	Gettysburg Address Anniversary
Nov. 21-27	Nat'l Family Week
Nov. 25	Thanksgiving Day (Over)

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Date	Observance/Holiday
Dec. 1	World AIDS Day
Dec. 7	Pearl Harbor Day
Dec. 8-15	Hanukkah*
Dec. 10	Human Rights Day
Dec. 15	Bill of Rights Day
Dec. 21	First Day of Winter
Dec. 25	Christmas
Dec. 26 - Jan 1	Kwanzaa (an African- American Festival)

**2005**

Jan. 1	New Year's Day
Jan. 1-31	School Board Recognition Month
Jan. 1	Emancipation Proclamation Anniversary
Jan. 17	Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Jan. 21	Id al-Adha (Feast of Sacrifice)
Feb. 1-28	Black History Month
Feb. 1-28	Nat'l Children's Dental Health Month
Feb. 1	Nat'l Freedom Day
Feb. 2	Groundhog Day
Feb. 9	Ash Wednesday
Feb. 9- Mar. 26	Lent
Feb. 12	Abraham Lincoln's Birthday
Feb. 14	St. Valentine's Day
Feb. 17	PTA Founders Day
Feb. 19-26	Nat'l FFA Week
Feb. 21	Presidents' Day
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	Nat'l Mental Retardation Month
Mar. 1-31	Nat'l Nutrition Month®
Mar. 1-31	Nat'l Women's History Month
Mar. 1-31	Youth Art Month

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Mar. 1-31	Nat'l Middle Level Education Month
Mar. 1-31	Nat'l Social Work Month
Mar. 7-11	Nat'l School Breakfast Week
Mar. 8	Internat'l Women's Day
Mar. 11	Johnny Appleseed Day
Mar. 14-18	Classified Employees Week (Washington)
Mar. 17	St. Patrick's Day
Mar. 17	Absolutely Incredible Kid Day®
Mar. 20	First Day of Spring
Mar. 20-26	Nat'l Agriculture Week
Mar. 20-26	Nat'l Poison Prevention Week
Mar. 21	Internat'l Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination
Mar. 25	Good Friday
Mar. 27	Easter
Apr. 1-30	Keep America Beautiful Month
Apr. 1	April Fools' Day
Apr. 2	Internat'l Children's Book Day
Apr. 3	Daylight Savings Time
Apr. 3-9	Week of the Young Child
Apr. 7	World Health Day
Apr. 10-16	Nat'l Library Week
Apr. 13	Arbor Day (Washington)
Apr. 17-23	Nat'l Student Leadership Week
Apr. 17-23	Public School Volunteer Week
Apr. 22	Earth Day

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Observance/Holiday</b>
Apr. 24-25	Passover* (First Days)
Apr. 24-30	Administrative Professionals Week
Apr. 28	Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day
Apr. 29	Nat'l Arbor Day
Apr. 30- May 1	Passover* (Concluding Days)
May 1-31	Asian Pacific American Heritage Month
May 1-31	Nat'l Sight-Saving Month
May 1-31	Better Hearing and Speech Month
May 1-31	Nat'l Physical Education and Sports Month
May 1	Law Day
May 1-7	Be Kind to Animals Week
May 1-7	Teacher Appreciation Week
May 1-7	Reading is Fun Week
May 1-7	Nat'l Substitute Teacher Week
May 1-8	Nat'l Music Week
May 2-8	Respect for Law Week
May 3	World Press Freedom Day
May 3	Nat'l Teacher Day
May 4	Horace Mann's Birthday
May 5	Cinco de Mayo

<b>Date</b>	<b>Observance/Holiday</b>
May 6	Holocaust Remembrance Day
May 7	Day of Non-Violence
May 8	World Red Cross Day
May 8	Mother's Day
May 11	Nat'l School Nurse Day
May 15-21	Nat'l Educational Bosses Week
May 21	Armed Forces Day
May 23	Victoria Day (Canada)
May 30	Memorial Day
May 31	World No-Tobacco Day
June 1 - July 4	Fireworks Safety Month
June 5	World Environment Day
June 12	Race Unity Day
June 14	Flag Day
June 16	Day of the African Child
June 19	Father's Day
June 21	First Day of Summer

\*Begins at sunset on the preceding day.