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Key 2009-2010 Dates for School Calendars

Here are some special days you might want to note on your 2009-2010 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, 1001 North Fairfax Street, Suite 500, Alexandria, VA 22314. The price is \$40 plus \$4.50 or 10 percent (whichever is more) of the total purchase price for postage and handling.

2009

Date	Observance/Holiday
Sept. 1-30	Library Card Sign-Up Month
Sept. 7	Labor Day
Sept. 8	Internat'l Literacy Day
Sept. 11	Patriot Day
Sept. 13	Grandparents' Day
Sept. 15 - Oct. 15	Hispanic Heritage Month
Sept. 15- Oct. 15	German American Heritage Month
Sept. 15-16	Mexican Independence Days
Sept. 16	Mayflower Day
Sept. 17-23	Constitution Week
Sept. 17	Citizenship Day
Sept. 19-20	Rosh Hashanah*
Sept. 21	Id al-Fitr (End of Ramadan)
Sept. 21	Internat'l Day of Peace
Sept. 22	First Day of Autumn
Sept. 28	Yom Kippur*
Sept. 28	Nat'l 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	UNICEF Month

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Oct. 4-10	Fire Prevention Week
Oct. 4-10	Nat'l Metric Week
Oct. 6	German American Heritage Day
Oct. 11-17	Earth Science Week
Oct. 11-17	NAEOP Career Awareness Week
Oct. 12-16	Nat'l School Lunch Week
Oct. 12	Canadian Thanksgiving
Oct. 12	Columbus Day
Oct. 16	World Food Day
Oct. 18-24	America's Safe Schools Week
Oct. 19-23	Nat'l School Bus Safety Week
Oct. 23-31	Red Ribbon Week (Drug-Free America)
Oct. 24	United Nations Day
Oct. 24	Make a Difference Day
Oct. 31	Halloween
Nov. 1-30	American Indian Heritage Month
Nov. 1	Standard Time
Nov. 3	Election Day
Nov. 11	Veterans Day
Nov. 15-21	American Education Week
Nov. 17	Nat'l Community Education Day

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Date	Observance/Holiday
Nov. 18	Nat'l Education Support Professionals Day
Nov. 19	Gettysburg Address Anniversary
Nov. 19	Nat'l Parental Involvement Day
Nov. 22-28	Nat'l Family Week
Nov. 26	Thanksgiving Day
Nov. 28	Id al-Adha (Feast of Sacrifice)
Dec. 1	World AIDS Day
Dec. 7	Pearl Harbor Day
Dec. 10	Human Rights Day
Dec. 12-19	Hanukkah*
Dec. 15	Bill of Rights Day
Dec. 21	First Day of Winter
Dec. 25	Christmas
Dec. 26 - Jan. 1	Kwanzaa (an African-American Festival)

2010

Date	Observance/Holiday
Jan. 1	New Year's Day
Jan. 1-31	School Board Recognition Month
Jan. 1	Emancipation Proclamation Anniversary
Jan. 18	Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Feb. 1-28	Black History Month (aka African-American History Month)
Feb. 1-28	Nat'l Children's Dental Health Month
Feb. 1	Nat'l Freedom Day
Feb. 2	Groundhog Day
Feb. 7-13	Take Your Family to School Week
Feb. 8-12	Nat'l School Counseling Week
Feb. 12	Abraham Lincoln's Birthday
Feb. 14	St. Valentine's Day
Feb. 14	Chinese New Year
Feb. 15	Presidents' Day

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Feb. 17- Apr. 3	Lent
Feb. 17	Ash Wednesday
Feb. 17	PTA Founders Day
Feb. 20-27	Nat'l 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	Nat'l Nutrition Month®
Mar. 1-31	Women's History Month
Mar. 1-31	Youth Art Month
Mar. 1-31	Nat'l Middle Level Education Month
Mar. 1-31	Social Work Month
Mar. 2	NEA's Read Across America (Dr. Seuss's Birthday)
Mar. 8-14	Nat'l Foreign Language Week
Mar. 8	Internat'l Women's Day
Mar. 8-12	Nat'l School Breakfast Week
Mar. 11	Johnny Appleseed Day
Mar. 14-20	Nat'l Agriculture Week
Mar. 14	Daylight Saving Time
Mar. 17	St. Patrick's Day
Mar. 18	Absolutely Incredible Kid Day®
Mar. 20	First Day of Spring
Mar. 21	Bahá'í New Year's Day
Mar. 21-27	Nat'l Poison Prevention Week
Mar. 21	Internat'l Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination
Mar. 30-31	Passover* (First Days)
Apr. 1-30	Keep America Beautiful Month
Apr. 1-30	Mathematics Awareness Month

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Date	Observance/Holiday
Apr. 1-30	Young People's Poetry Month
Apr. 1	April Fools' Day
Apr. 2	Internat'l Children's Book Day
Apr. 2	Good Friday
Apr. 4-10	Nat'l Library Week
Apr. 4	Easter
Apr. 5-6	Passover* (Concluding Days)
Apr. 7	World Health Day
Apr. 11	Holocaust Remembrance Day*
Apr. 11-17	Nat'l Student Leadership Week
Apr. 18-24	Administrative Professionals Week
Apr. 18-24	Nat'l Coin Week
Apr. 18-24	Public School Volunteer Week
Apr. 18-24	Volunteer Week
Apr. 22	Earth Day
Apr. 22	Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day™
Apr. 30	Nat'l Arbor Day
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 Fitness and Sports Month
May 1-31	Preservation Month
May 1	Law Day
May 1-7	Nat'l Physical Education and Sports Week
May 2-9	Nat'l Music Week
May 2-8	Be Kind to Animals Week
May 2-8	Teacher Appreciation Week
May 3-7	Child Nutrition Employee Appreciation Week
May 3	World Press Freedom Day
May 4	Horace Mann's Birthday

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May 4	Nat'l Teacher Day
May 5	Cinco de Mayo
May 8	World Red Cross Day
May 9	Mother's Day
May 10-16	Nat'l Children's Book Week
May 12	Nat'l School Nurse Day
May 15	Armed Forces Day
May 16-22	Nat'l Educational Bosses Week
May 24	Victoria Day (Canada)
May 31	Memorial Day
May 31	World No-Tobacco Day
June 1 - July 4	Fireworks Safety Month
June 1-30	Caribbean-American Heritage Month
June 1-30	Great Outdoors Month
June 5	World Environment Day
June 13-17	Nat'l History Day Contest
June 13	Race Unity Day
June 14	Flag Day
June 16	Day of the African Child
June 20	Father's Day
June 21	First Day of Summer

*Begins at sunset on the preceding day.