



2025-2026 APPRECIATION AND RECOGNITION DAYS

These are the recognition and appreciation days for various groups, departments, significant contributions, and national and state events that RISD will celebrate districtwide in 2025-2026. **This calendar does not include nationally recognized holidays.** RISD departments and campuses are welcome to celebrate other recognition and appreciation days along with these.

September

Attendance Awareness Month	September
Texas First Responders/Patriot Day	11
National Hispanic Heritage Month . . .	Sept 15-Oct 15
Celebrate Freedom Week	15-19
Constitution Day	17
National Voter Registration Day	16
Education Technology Day	23

October

National Principals Month	October
National Bullying Prevention Month	October
Dyslexia Awareness Month	October
School Custodian Appreciation Day	2
World Teachers' Day	5
National (Academic/Instructional) Coaches Day.	6
Walk and Roll to School Day.	8
National School Lunch Week	13-17
National Boss's Day	16
Digital Citizenship Week	20-24
National School Bus Safety Week	20-24
Red Ribbon Week	27-31

November

Native American Heritage Month	November
National Family Engagement Month	November
Athletic Coaches Day.	6
National STEM/STEAM Day	8
Richardson Reads Day	21
Substitute Educators Day	21

December

National Special Education Day	2
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January

School Board Appreciation Month	January
International Holocaust Remembrance Day	27

February

Black History Month	February
Career and Technical Education Month . . .	February
National Magnet School Month	February
National School Counseling Week	2-6
Crossing Guard Appreciation Day	6
School Resource Officer Day	15
National Leadership Day.	20

March

RISD Fine Arts Appreciation Month	March
Read Across America Day	2
Texas Independence Day/Texas Military Heroes Day . . .	2
National School Breakfast Week	2-6
Texas Public Schools Week.	2-6
Maintenance Worker Appreciation Day	7

April

Month of the Military Child	April
GT Awareness Week.	6-10
Paraprofessionals Appreciation Day (Classroom Aides) .	1
School Librarian Appreciation Day	4
National Assistant Principals Week	6-10
Public School Volunteer Week	20-24
Administrative Professionals Day (Office Staff).	22
School Bus Driver Appreciation Day	28

May

Mental Health Awareness Month	May
Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month . .	May
School Principal Day	1
School Lunch Hero Day	1
National Teacher Appreciation Week.	4-8
National School Nurse Day	6
School Communicators Day	8

Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the calendar. If you know a day, week, or month that is related to public education or our school district, please email the information to lisa.andrews@risd.org. We are excited about being intentional in our efforts to highlight amazing people and programs in Richardson ISD.