



# 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

## January

- School Board Appreciation Month . . . . . January**
- Holocaust Remembrance Week . . . . . 26-30

## 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
- Public Schools Week . . . . . 23-27

## 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](mailto:lisa.andrews@risd.org). We are excited about being intentional in our efforts to highlight amazing people and programs in Richardson ISD.**