



2026-2027 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 2026-2027. **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 2026

Attendance Awareness Month	September
Patriot Day/Texas First Responders	11
National Voter Registration Day	15
National Hispanic Heritage Month.	Sept 15-Oct 15
Constitution Day	17
Celebrate Freedom Week	17-23
National AVID Day	18
Education Technology Day	23

October 2026

Dyslexia Awareness Month	October
National Bullying Prevention Month.	October
National Principals Month	October
School Custodian Appreciation Day	2
National Coaches Day (Academic/Instructional).	6
Walk and Roll to School Day.	7
Breast Cancer Awareness Day (RISD Pink Out Day)	13
National School Lunch Week	12-16
National Boss's Day	16
Digital Citizenship Week	19-23
National School Bus Safety Week.	19-23
Red Ribbon Week	26-30

November 2026

National Family Engagement Month	November
Native American Heritage Month	November
Texas Athletic Coaches Day	6
National STEM/STEAM Day	8
Richardson Reads Day	20
Substitute Educators Day	20

December 2026

National Special Education Day	2
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January 2027

School Board Appreciation Month	January
Holocaust Remembrance Week	25-29

February 2027

Black History Month.	February
Career and Technical Education Month	February
National Magnet School Month	February
National School Counseling Week	1-5
Texas Military Heroes Day	2
Crossing Guard Appreciation Day	10
School Resource Officer Day	15
National Leadership Day.	20

March 2027

RISD Fine Arts Appreciation Month	March
Texas History Month.	March
Texas Public Schools Week.	1-5
National School Breakfast Week	1-5
Read Across America Day	2
Texas Independence Day/Texas Flag Day.	2
Maintenance Worker Appreciation Day	5

April 2027

Month of the Military Child	April
School Librarian Appreciation Day	4
National Assistant Principals Week	5-9
GT Awareness Week.	5-9
Tejano Day	6
Paraprofessionals Appreciation Day (Classroom Aides)	7
Public School Volunteer Week	19-23
Administrative Professionals Day (Office Staff).	21
School Bus Driver Appreciation Day	27

May 2027

Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month . . .	May
Mental Health Awareness Month	May
School Principal Day	1
National Teacher Appreciation Week.	3-7
National Bike & Roll to School Day	5
School Lunch Hero Day.	7
National School Nurse Day	12

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.