

HOLIDAY CALENDAR 2021-2025

JUNE 2021

14, MONDAY - FLAG DAY: to commemorate the United States flag's adoption.

JULY 2021

4, - SUNDAY, JULY FOURTH

17, 18 TISHA BA'AV (SATURDAY EVENING) - Fast of the 9th of Av

19, MONDAY - ISLAMIC HOLIDAY: EID-UL-ADHA (Feast of Sacrifice).

AUGUST 2021

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL:

August 23- Frederick

September 8 Caroline, Dorchester, Garrett, Allegany, Hartford, Carroll, Cecil Co., Worcester Co., Anne Arundel Co., Somerset and Wicomico Co.

August 30th Talbot, St. Mary's, Baltimore City and Co., Charles Co., Howard Co., Montgomery Co., Washington Co.

August 31 - Queen Anne.

9, MONDAY, - ISLAMIC HOLIDAY: AL HIJRA- Islamic New Year. Marks the migration of the Prophet Mohammad and his followers from Mecca to Medina of the Jewish people. (Fast begins 1st morning light)

SEPTEMBER 2021

6, MONDAY - LABOR DAY - Federal and state agencies closed.

7, 8 - ROSH HASHANAH (MONDAY EVENING) TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY - (Jewish New Year) Begins the Jewish year 5777.

9, THURSDAY - TZOM GEDALIAH: Commemorates the start of Babylonian exile
16- YOM KIPPUR (WEDNESDAY EVENING) THURSDAY (Day of Atonement)
Most holy of Jewish holidays, devoted to prayer, fasting and repentance.

21-22- SUKKOT (TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY (Feast of Tabernacles) - First day of festival of harvest, thanksgiving, and remembrance of the Jewish wandering in the wilderness and living in booths or tabernacles after the exodus from Egypt.

28- SHEMINI ATZERET (MONDAY EVENING) TUESDAY (Eighth Day of Assembly) - Marks the climax of the Jewish holy season.

29- SIMCHAT TORAH (TUESDAY EVENING) WEDNESDAY (Rejoicing in the Law) - Reading of the Torah is completed and begun anew in the synagogue.

OCTOBER 2021

11, MONDAY - COLUMBUS DAY - Federal and state agencies closed.

24, SUNDAY- UNITED NATIONS DAY

31, SUNDAY- REFORMATION DAY - Observed by Protestant groups to mark the beginning of Protestant Reformation in 1517.

NOVEMBER 2021

1, MONDAY - ALL SAINTS DAY: Christian holy day of obligation commemorating all saints.

2, TUESDAY - ALL SOULS' DAY: Roman Catholic day of remembrance for friends and loved ones who have passed away.

11, THURSDAY - VETERANS DAY - Federal and state agencies closed.

11 - 15 - AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK

This year marks the 89th annual American Education Week.

25, THURSDAY - THANKSGIVING DAY: Federal and state agencies closed.

School Closings:

November 26th - 28th : Anne Arundel, Calvert, Caroline, Charles, Dorchester, Frederick, Howard, Kent, Montgomery, Prince George's, Queen Ann, St. Mary's, Talbot, Washington, Wicomico, and Worcester Counties, Allegany, Baltimore City, Baltimore Co., Garrett, Harford, and Somerset Counties.

26, FRIDAY - AMERICAN INDIAN HERITAGE DAY

DECEMBER 2021

November 29 -- December 6 - CHANUKAH (SUNDAY EVENING) MONDAY (Festival of Lights) - Eight-day festival marking the first recorded battle for religious liberty and rededication of the Temple by the Maccabees.

8, SUNDAY - FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - Catholic holy day celebrating the privilege of freedom from sin.

10, - HUMAN RIGHTS DAY - Marks U.N. adoption of the Universal

14TH TUESDAY - ASARAH B'TEVET (Fast of Tevet-which begins morning light) Commemorates the beginning of the Babylonian siege of Jerusalem (6th Century BCE). Declaration of Human Rights in 1948.

15, WEDNESDAY- BILL OF RIGHTS DAY - Marks ratification of the first ten amendments to the U.S. Constitution in 1791.

WINTER SCHOOL BREAK:

December 23rd - January 1st: All City and County Schools are closed and will reopen on Monday, January 3rd

25, SATURDAY - CHRISTMAS DAY - Federal and state agencies will be closed.

26, SUNDAY - KWANZAA (First Fruits of the Harvest): African-American holiday that celebrates family, community, and culture. It is celebrated for seven days, December 26th-January 1st.

JANUARY 2021

1, FRIDAY- NEW YEAR'S DAY - Schools closed. Federal and state agencies closed.

18, MONDAY - MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY - In honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. (b. 1929). Schools closed. Federal and state agencies closed.

27, WEDNESDAY - TU BISHVAT - New Year for Trees

FEBRUARY 2021

ALL FEBRUARY - AFRICAN-AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

12, FRIDAY - LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY (b. February 12, 1809).

15, MONDAY - PRESIDENTS' DAY - Celebrates the birthdays of George Washington (b. 1732) and Abraham Lincoln (b. 1809). Schools closed. Federal and state agencies closed.

17, WEDNESDAY - ASH WEDNESDAY- Opens Lenten Season

26 FRIDAY - TA'ANIT ESTHER (Fast of Esther) - Commemorates the fast of Queen Esther (Fast begins Thursday morning).

26- PURIM (THURSDAY EVENING) FRIDAY- Jewish day of merry making, marking defeat of Persian tyrant, Haman

MARCH 2021

17, WEDNESDAY - ST. PATRICK'S DAY

25, THURSDAY- MARYLAND DAY - Commemorating the arrival of Lord Baltimore's first settlers in Maryland in 1634.

28, SUNDAY - PALM SUNDAY

APRIL 2021

SPRING BREAK:

March 31 - April 6: Calvert County

March 29 - April 5: Baltimore City and County, Anne Arundel, St. Mary's, Frederick Co.

March 29 - April 1 - Prince Georges Co.

April 2 - 9: Allegany County, Caroline County

April 2 - 5: Carroll County, Cecil Co., Garrett Co., Hartford Co., Howard Co., Somerset Co., Kent Co., Queen Anne Co., Washington Co., Wicomico and Worcester

1, THURSDAY - HOLY THURSDAY - Christian holy day marking The Last Supper.

2, FRIDAY - GOOD FRIDAY

March 28 and 29 - PESACH (SATURDAY EVENING) SUNDAY & MONDAY - First two days of PESACH (Passover) Jewish festival marking deliverance from slavery in Egypt.

7, WEDNESDAY - YOM HASHOAH: Holocaust Remembrance Day - Memorializing the six million martyrs who died in the Holocaust, 1939-1945.

11, SATURDAY - HOLY SATURDAY

12, SUNDAY - EASTER/EASTERN ORTHODOX EASTER

3 - 4 - PESACH (SATURDAY EVENING) SUNDAY -

Concluding days of PESACH (Passover).

13, TUESDAY - YOM HAZIKARON: Israel's Memorial Day

14, WEDNESDAY - YOM HA'ATZMAUT: Israel Independence Day.

29, THURSDAY- LAG BAOMER the 33rd day of the counting of the Omer.

MAY 2021

9 - YOM YERUSHALAYIM - Anniversary of the reunification of Jerusalem in 1967 Six-Day war.

DAY - ASCENSION DAY - Christian holy day marking Jesus' ascension forty days after the Resurrection.

17 and 18 - SHAVUOT (SUNDAY EVENING) MONDAY & TUESDAY - Marks giving of the Torah on Mount Sinai.

27, MONDAY- MEMORIAL DAY (observed). Schools closed. Federal and state agencies closed.

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USE OF HOLIDAY CALENDAR

This calendar has been prepared and designed primarily to assist teachers and school administrators in planning and scheduling special events and activities such as examinations, assemblies, field trips, graduations and other school-related programs. Federal, state, county, and city government agencies, legislative bodies, and courts, as well as private employers, may also find this calendar helpful. ALL Jewish holidays are set according to the Hebrew lunar calendar, so that they begin at sundown on the preceding

evening and conclude at sundown on the dates noted. The Sabbath begins at sunset on Friday evening and concludes at sunset on Saturday. During these observances, work is traditionally prohibited. As a result, Jewish individuals may be absent from both school and places of employment.

No person should be penalized for his/her religious observances or beliefs.

5-YEAR CALENDAR OF MAJOR JEWISH HOLIDAYS

Holiday	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Pesach (Passover)	March 28 & 29 Sun. & Mon.	April 16 & 17 Sat. & Sun.	April 6 & 7 Thurs. & Fri.	April 23 & 24 Tues. & Wed.	April 13 & 14 Sun. & Mon.
Concluding days of Pesach (Passover)	April 3 & 4 Sat. & Sun.	April 22 & 23 Fri. & Sat	April 12 & 13 Tues. & Wed.	April 29 & 30 Sun. & Mon.	April 19 & 20 Fri. & Sat.
Shavuot (Receiving of the Torah)	May 17 & 18 Mon. & Tues	June 5 & 6 Sun. & Mon.	May 26 & 27 Fri. & Sat.	June 12 & 13 Wed. & Thur.	June 2 & 3 Mon. & Tues.
Rosh Hashanah (New Year)	Sept 7 & 8 Tues. & Wed.	Sept. 26 & 27 Mon. & Tues.	Sept. 16 & 17 Sat. & Sun.	Oct. 3 & Oct. 4 Thurs. & Fri.	Sept. 23 & 24 Tues. & Wed.
Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement)	Sept. 16 Thursday	Oct. 5 Wednesday	Sept. 25 Monday	Oct. 12 Saturday	Oct. 2 Thursday
Sukkot (Feast of Tabernacles)	Sept. 21 & 22 Tues. & Wed.	Oct. 10 & 11 Mon. & Tues.	Sept. 30 & Oct. 1 Sat. & Sun.	Oct. 17 & 18 Thur. & Fri.	Oct. 7 & 8 Tues. & Wed.
Shemini Atzeret (Eighth Day of Assembly)	Sept. 28 Tuesday	Oct. 17 Monday	Oct. 7 Saturday	Oct. 24 Thursday	Oct. 14 Tuesday
Simchat Torah (Rejoicing of the Law)	Sept. 29 Wednesday	Oct. 18 Tuesday	Oct. 8 Sunday	Oct. 25 Friday	Oct. 15 Wednesday
Tisha B'av (Official Day of Mourning)	July 18 Sunday	August 6 Saturday	July 27 Thursday	August 13 Tuesday	August 3 Sunday