



2025-26 Appreciation Schedule

We appreciate our staff and believe everyone deserves a day for our community to celebrate their achievements and recognize their contributions! There are many different regularly scheduled observances throughout the year that are dedicated to specific job classifications. These are typically established by advocacy organizations or through presidential proclamations/state legislative actions. The following celebrations have been observed in Ken-Ton Schools. When an observance consists of a week or a month, the first day is celebrated. To simplify and ensure that everyone is included, individual departments are celebrated whenever possible. In cases where there are multiple dates for a specific job classification, we select the observance that is the most widely celebrated or is recognized at the state level or by major educational institutions. When these celebrations coincide with a weekend, holiday, or recess week, they will be observed on a different day. This will typically be the preceding/subsequent school day or week though this sometimes varies. You will find these noted in the Weekly Connection, on social media, and on school/district calendars.

Questions or suggestions? Email pfanelli@ktufsd.org

JOB/ROLE	OBSERVANCE	WHEN IT OCCURS	2025-26 DATE
Assistant Principals	1st Day of Assistant Principals Week (Observed)	1st week in April	3/30/2026
Board Members	1st Day of School Board Recognition Week	3rd week in October	10/14/2025
Buildings & Grounds staff	Custodian/Buildings & Grounds Staff Appreciation Day	Always October 2	10/2/2025
Clerical staff	Administrative Professionals Appreciation Day	Wednesday of the last week in April	4/22/2026
Coaches/Asst. Coaches	National Coach Appreciation Day	Always October 6	10/6/2025
Counselors	1st Day of School Counseling Week	1st week in February	2/2/2026
Crossing Guards	1st Day of Crossing Guard Appreciation Month	Month of May	5/1/2026
Finance Staff	International Accounting & Finance Staff Appreciation Day	Always November 10	11/10/2025
Food Service staff	School Lunch Hero/Food Service Appreciation Day	1st Friday in May	5/1/2026

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Human Resources staff	International HR Appreciation Day	Always May 20	5/20/2026
Library staff	School Librarian Appreciation Day (Observed)	Always April 4	4/2/2026
Nurses	School Nurse Appreciation Day	Wednesday of National Nurses Week (May 6-12)	5/6/2026
Principals	School Principals Appreciation Day	Always May 1	5/1/2026
Psychologists	1st Day of School Psychologist Week	2nd week in November	11/3/2025
Social Workers	1st Day of School Social Work Week	1st week in March	3/2/2026
Speech Pathologists	Speech Pathologist Appreciation Day	Always May 18	5/18/2026
SROs & SSOs	School Safety Officer Appreciation Day (Observed)	Always February 15	2/13/2026
Substitute Teachers	Substitute Teacher Appreciation Day	3rd Friday in November	11/21/25
Teacher Aides/Monitors	School Paraprofessional Appreciation Day	1st Wednesday in April	4/1/2026
Teachers	Teacher Appreciation Day	Tuesday of the 1st week in May	5/5/2026
Technology staff	IT & Technology Staff Appreciation Day	3rd Tuesday in September	9/16/2025
Transportation staff	School Bus Driver & Transportation Staff Appreciation Day (Observed)	Always February 22	2/23/2026

In Chronological Order:

IT & Technology Staff Appreciation Day	9/16/2025
Custodian/Buildings & Grounds Staff Appreciation Day	10/2/2025
National Coach Appreciation Day	10/6/2025
1st Day of School Board Recognition Week	10/14/2025
1st Day of School Psychologist Week	11/3/2025
International Accounting & Finance Staff Appreciation Day	11/10/2025
Substitute Teacher Appreciation Day	11/21/2025
1st Day of School Counseling Week	2/2/2026
School Safety Officer Appreciation Day (Observed)	2/13/2026
School Bus Driver & Transportation Staff Appreciation Day (Observed)	2/23/2026
1st Day of School Social Work Week	3/2/2026
1st Day of Assistant Principals Week (Observed)	3/30/2026
School Paraprofessional Appreciation Day	4/1/2026
School Librarian Appreciation Day (Observed)	4/2/2026
Administrative Professionals Appreciation Day	4/22/2026
1st Day of Crossing Guard Appreciation Month	5/1/2026
School Lunch Hero/Food Service Appreciation Day	5/1/2026
School Principals Appreciation Day	5/1/2026
Teacher Appreciation Day	5/5/2026
School Nurse Appreciation Day	5/6/2026
Speech Pathologist Appreciation Day	5/18/2026
International HR Appreciation Day	5/20/2026

