



Memorandum

from the Department of Communications Services

The following is a list of observance days that Galena Park Independent School District will recognize for the 2026 - 2027 school year.

* **Mandatory Recognition Dates**

According to Legal Policy [EHBK](#), "A District shall regularly observe the following recognition days, weeks, and months by appropriate programs, celebrations, and activities."

DATE	Observance Day
July 4	Independence Day
August 26*	Women's Independence Day
September 1-30*	Hydrocephalus Awareness Month
September 1-30	Suicide Prevention Month
September 7	Labor Day (District Holiday)
September 11*	Patriot Day/ Texas First Responders Day to Commemorate 9/11
September 13	Grandparents' Day (observed in GPISD 9/11)
September 14-18*	Celebrate Freedom Week (observed in GPISD 9/14-9/17)
September 15-Oct 15	Hispanic Heritage Month
September 16*	Dr. Hector P. Garcia Day
September 17*	Constitution Day
September 23	Educational Technology Day
September 25*	American Indian Heritage Day In Texas
October 1-31	National School Principals Month
October 1-31	National Breast Cancer Awareness Month
October 1-31	Domestic Violence Awareness Month
October 1-31	National Bullying Prevention Awareness Month
October 1-31	National Depression & Mental Health Screening Month
October 1-31*	Persons with Disabilities History and Awareness Month
October 2	Custodial Appreciation Day
October 4-10	Mental Illness Awareness Week (observed in GPISD 10/6-10/9)
October TBA*	Fentanyl Poisoning Awareness Week (observed in GPISD TBA)
October 16	National Boss's Day
October 21	Unity Day
October 18-24*	Texas Native Plant Week (observed in GPISD 10/19-10/23)
October 19-23	National School Bus Safety Week
October 23-31	Red Ribbon Week (observed in GPISD 10/26-10/30)

November 1-30	National Homeless Youth Awareness Month
November 1-30	National Runaway Prevention Month
November 1-30*	Lung Cancer Awareness Month
November 1	Standard Time Change (clocks set back)
November 2-6	National School Psychology Week
November 3*	Father of Texas Day- Stephen F. Austin
November 11	Veterans Day
November 13	World Kindness Day
November 16-20	American Education Week
November 16-20	Character Education Week
November 18	Educational Support Professionals Day
November 20	Substitute Professionals Day
November 27	Native American Heritage Day
January 1-31*	Human Trafficking Prevention Month
January 1-31	School Board Appreciation Month
January 1	New Year's Day
January 6*	Sam Rayburn Day
January 9*	Law Enforcement Appreciation Day (observed in GPISD 1/8)
January 18	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (District Holiday)
January 24-30	National School Choice Week (observed in GPISD 1/25-1/29)
January 25-29*	Holocaust Remembrance Week
February 1- 28	Black History Month
February 1-28	Career and Technology Education Month
February 1-28	National Children's Dental Health Month
February 1-28	Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month
February 1-5	National School Counseling Week
February 2*	Texas Military Heroes Day
February 4	World Cancer Day
February 10	National School Crossing Guard Appreciation Day
February 14	St. Valentine's Day
February 15	National School Resource Officer Appreciation Day (observed in GPISD 2/11)
February 15	Presidents' Day (District Holiday)
February 17	National PTA Founders' Day
February 19*	Iwo Jima Day
February 19*	State of Texas Anniversary Remembrance Day
February 20-27	National FFA Week (observed in GPISD 2/22-2/26)
February 26	Go Texan Day
March 1-31*	Texas History Month
March 1-31	Music in Our Schools Month
March 1-31	National Nutrition Month
March 1-31	Youth Art Month
March 1*	Texas Girls in STEM Day

March 1-5	Texas Public Schools Week
March 1-5	National School Breakfast Week
March 2	Texas Independence Day
March 6	Maintenance Worker Appreciation Day (observed in GPISD 3/4)
March 7-13	Texas Educational Diagnosticians' Week (observed in GPISD 3/1-3/4)
March 8	International Women's Day
March 14	Daylight Saving Time (clocks set forward)
March 16	National Agriculture Day
April 1-30*	Child Safety Month
April 1-30	National Child Abuse Awareness Month
April 1-30	Mathematics and Statistics Awareness Month
April 1-30	National Autism Awareness Month
April 1-30*	Sexual Assault Awareness Month
April 2	International Children's Book Day
April 2*	Texas Fruit and Vegetable Day
April 4	School Librarian Appreciation Day (observed in GPISD 4/2)
April 4-10*	Gifted and Talented Week
April 5-9	National Assistant Principal Week
April 11-17	National Library Week (observed in GPISD 4/12- 4/16)
April 19-23	Public School Volunteer Week
April 21	San Jacinto Day
April 21	Administrative Professionals' Day
April 22	Earth Day
May 1-31	Better Hearing and Speech Month
May 1-31	Mental Health Awareness Month
May 1-31	National Foster Care Month
May 3-9	National Children's Book Week (observed in GPISD 5/3- 5/7)
May 3-7	National Teacher Appreciation Week
May 7	School Lunch Hero Day
May 9-15	National Police Week (observed in GPISD 5/10- 5/14)
May 12	School Nurse Day
May TBA*	Generation TX Day
May 12*	Public School Paraprofessional Day
May 14	National School Communicators Day
May 15	Peace Officer Memorial Day (observed in GPISD 5/14)
May 18	National Speech Language Pathologist Day
May 31	Memorial Day (District Holiday)
June 1-30	National Internet Safety Month
June 14	Flag Day
June 19	Emancipation Day (Juneteenth)