

Non-exhaustive List of Religious Holidays/Holy Days

House Bill 353 of the **134th General Assembly** directed the Ohio Department of Higher Education (ODHE) to develop a non - exhaustive list of major religious holidays or festivals for the next two academic years at the beginning of each academic year. Each state institution of higher education may adopt ODHE's list in its entirety, or choose instead which holidays to include on its list. As required by the statute, the list of major religious holidays and festivals included herein is non-exhaustive and is not intended to purposefully exclude any religious holidays or festivals. This list is meant to serve solely as a resource for state institutions of higher education to utilize, at their discretion, in adopting a list on their websites.

Judaism

Tu BiShvat (*Feb. 12-13, 2025*)
Purim (*March 13-14, 2025*)
Yom HaShoah in April
Lag B'Omer (*May 15, 2025*)
Pesach (Passover) (*April 12-20, 2025*)
Yom HaSho'ah (*April 23-24, 2025*)
Yom Ha'atzmaut (*April 30-May 1, 2025*)
Shavuot (*June 1-3, 2025*)
Tisha B'Av (*August 12-13, 2024*)
Rosh Hashanah (*Oct. 2-4, 2024*)
Yom Kippur (*Oct. 11-12, 2024*)
Sukkot (*Oct. 16-23, 2024*)
Shemini (*Oct. 23, 2024*)
Simchat Torah (*Oct. 24-25, 2024*)
Hanukkah (*Dec. 25, 2024-Jan. 1, 2025*)

Christianity

Feast of the Assumption of Mary (*Aug. 15, 2024*)
Dia de los Muertos (*Oct. 31-Nov. 2, 2024*)
All Saints Day (*Nov. 1, 2024*)
All Souls Day (*Nov. 2, 2024*)
Feast of Christ the King (*Nov. 24, 2024*)
Advent Season (*Dec. 1, 2024*)
Feast of St. Francis Xavier (*Dec. 3, 2024*)
Feast of the Immaculate Conception (*Dec. 8, 2024*)
Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe (*Dec. 12, 2024*)
Christmas (*Dec. 25, 2024*)
Feast of Mary Mother of God (*Jan. 1, 2025*)
Christmas – Eastern Orthodox (*Jan. 7, 2025*)
Epiphany (*Jan. 6, 2025*)
Ash Wednesday (*March 5, 2025*)
Lent (*March 5-April 17, 2025*)
Orthodox Lent (*March 5, 2025*)
Feast of the Annunciation (*March 25, 2025*)
Palm Sunday (*April 13, 2025*)
Holy Thursday (*April 17, 2025*)
Good Friday (*April 18, 2025*)

Easter (*April 20, 2025*)
Pascha/Easter (Eastern Orthodox) (*April 20, 2025*)
Feast of the Ascension (*May 29, 2025*)
Pentecost (*June 8, 2025*)
Trinity Sunday (*June 15, 2025*)
Corpus Christi Sunday (*June 19, 2025*)
Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (*June 27, 2025*)
Nativity of St. John the Baptist (*June 24, 2025*)
Feast of Saints Peter and Paul (*June 29, 2025*)
Feast of St. Ignatius Loyola (*July 31, 2025*)

Islam

Mawlid-al-Nabi (*Sept. 15, 2024*)
Sabe-Miraj or Lailatul Me'raj (*Jan. 7, 2025*)
Shab-e-Barat (*Feb. 14, 2025*)
Ramadan (*Feb. 28-March 29, 2025*)
Lailatul Qadr (*March 27, 2025*)
Eid al-Fitr (*March 30-31, 2025*)
Day of Arafah/Haj/Waqf of Arafah (*June 5-6, 2025*)
Eid-ul Adha (*June 7, 2025*)
Islamic New Year (*June 26-27, 2025*)
Ashura (*July 4, 2025*)

Hinduism

Raksha Bandhan (*Aug. 19, 2024*)
Krishna Janmashtami (*Aug. 26, 2024*)
Navaratri (*Oct. 3-12, 2024*)
Diwali (*Nov. 1, 2024*)
Maha Shivaratri (*Feb. 25, 2025*)
Shri Ramakrishna Jayanti (*March 1, 2025*)
Holi (*March 14, 2025*)
Rama Navami (*April 5, 2025*)
Mahavir-Jayanti (*April 10, 2025*)

Buddhism

Diwali (*Nov. 1, 2024*)
Bodhi Day (*Dec. 8, 2024*)

Lunar New Year (*Jan. 29, 2025*)
Magha Puja Day (*Feb. 12, 2025*)
Buddha Day/Visakha Puja (*May 11, 2025*)
Vesak (*May 12, 2025*)

Sikh

Diwali (*Nov. 1, 2024*)
Birthday of Guru Nanak Dev Sahib (*Nov. 15, 2024*)
Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib (*Nov. 24, 2024*)
Birthday of Guru Gobind Singh Sahib (*Jan. 6, 2025*)
Mahavir-Jayanti (*April 10, 2025*)
Vaisakhi (*April 13, 2025*)
Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev Sahib (*June 16, 2025*)

Bahá'í

Birth of the Bab (*Oct. 20, 2024*)
Birth of Bahauallah (*Nov. 12, 2024*)
Ascension of 'Abdu'l-Baha (*Nov. 26-27, 2024*)
'Alá' (Loftiness) (*March 1, 2025*)
Naw-Ruz (*March 21, 2025*)
Ridvan (*April 21, 2025*)
Declaration of the Bab (*May 22, 2025*)
Ascension of Baha'u'llah (*May 28, 2025*)
Martyrdom of the Bab (*June 16, 2025*)

Shinto

Gantan-sai (*Jan. 1, 2025*)
Setsubum-sai (*Feb. 3, 2025*)

Other

Kwanzaa (*Dec. 26, 2024-Jan. 1, 2025*)



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