

# Daily Holidays & Observances Calendar



2021

MAY

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
25	26	27	28	29	30	1 Lei Day Kentucky Derby Day National Scrapbook Day
2 National Baby Day World Laughter Day	3 National Two Different Colored Shoes Day	4 Star Wars Day Teacher's Day	5 Cinco De Mayo National Bike to School Day	6 National Nurses Day National Beverage Day Make-A-Book Day	7 National Space Day	8 World Red Cross Day National Train Day
9 Mother's Day Mother Ocean Day National Children's Mental Health Awareness Day	10 Clean up Your Room Day	11 National Twilight Zone Day	12 National School Nurse Day	13 Frog Jumping Day Leprechaun's Day	14 Dance Like A Chicken Day	15 Armed Forces Day National Chocolate Chip Day
16 Love A Tree Day Wear Purple For Peace Day	17 World Baking Day	18 International Museum Day Dinosaur Day	19 May Ray Day	20 World Metrology Day World Bee Day	21 Eat More Fruits & Vegetables Day National Memo Day NASCAR Day National Pizza Party Day	22 Buy A Musical Instrument Day National Maritime Day
23 World Turtle Day	24 National Scavenger Hunt Day	25 National Brown-Bag-It Day	26 National Paper Airplane Day	27 Sunscreen Day	28 National Hamburger Day National Wig Out Day	29 National Learn About Composting Day Paper Clip Day
30 National Creativity Day Water A Flower Day	31 Memorial Day National Speak in Complete Sentences Day	<p>May 2021 Daily Holidays &amp; Observances Calendar</p> <p>Refer to this calendar for inspiration and themed activity ideas for your program! Find ideas below and click the Daily Holidays link to find related items to support your activities.</p> <p><a href="http://www.swww.com/daily-holidays-may">www.swww.com/daily-holidays-may</a></p>				

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May 1st	Lei Day Kentucky Derby Day National Scrapbook Day	<a href="https://www.sswwww.com/daily-holidays-may/#Lei">https://www.sswwww.com/daily-holidays-may/#Lei</a> <a href="https://www.sswwww.com/daily-holidays-may/#KentuckyDerby">https://www.sswwww.com/daily-holidays-may/#KentuckyDerby</a> <a href="https://www.sswwww.com/daily-holidays-may/#Scrapbook">https://www.sswwww.com/daily-holidays-may/#Scrapbook</a>
May 2nd	National Baby Day World Laughter Day	<a href="https://www.sswwww.com/daily-holidays-may/#Baby">https://www.sswwww.com/daily-holidays-may/#Baby</a> Play this silly <a href="#">guessing game</a> as a brain break, where you act out words and everyone has to guess!
May 3rd	National Two Different Colored Shoes Day	A day to encourage uniqueness in a fun way! You can also use this along with a lesson plan for learning colors!
May 4th	Star Wars Day Teacher's Day	<a href="https://www.sswwww.com/daily-holidays-may/#StarWars">https://www.sswwww.com/daily-holidays-may/#StarWars</a> <a href="https://www.sswwww.com/daily-holidays-may/#Teacher">https://www.sswwww.com/daily-holidays-may/#Teacher</a>
May 5th	Cinco de Mayo National Bike to School Day	<a href="https://www.sswwww.com/daily-holidays-may/#CincoDeMayo">https://www.sswwww.com/daily-holidays-may/#CincoDeMayo</a> Join other schools on this national observance and encourage kids to safely bike to school. <a href="#">Learn more about how to plan this event.</a>
May 6th	National Beverage Day National Nurses Day Make-A-Book Day	<a href="https://www.sswwww.com/daily-holidays-may/#Beverage">https://www.sswwww.com/daily-holidays-may/#Beverage</a> Your group can show their appreciation to the healthcare workers by writing notes of appreciation. Great for practicing writing skills! Students can <a href="#">create their own books</a> , and then fill them with stories, poems and more!
May 7th	National Space Day	<a href="https://www.sswwww.com/daily-holidays-may/#Space">https://www.sswwww.com/daily-holidays-may/#Space</a>
May 8th	World Red Cross Day National Train Day	<a href="https://www.sswwww.com/daily-holidays-may/#RedCross">https://www.sswwww.com/daily-holidays-may/#RedCross</a> <a href="https://www.sswwww.com/daily-holidays-may/#Train">https://www.sswwww.com/daily-holidays-may/#Train</a>
May 9th	Mother's Day Mother Ocean Day National Children's Mental Health Awareness Day	Your group can celebrate Mother's Day with some fun <a href="#">DIY keepsake crafts for kids</a> . Celebrate the day with an Under the Theme - <a href="#">find 10+ crafts and activities for kids here</a> Put together an activity kit for the day that includes activities to help kids learn about emotions and <a href="#">feelings</a> .
May 10th	Clean Up Your Room Day	Teach kids the importance of <a href="#">staying organized</a> by having them each clean up a section of the classroom!
May 11th	National Twilight Zone Day	Have kids play <a href="#">Clue</a> , a classic mystery game, in honor of this holiday.
May 12th	National School Nurse Day	Show appreciation for your school nurses by having students make a <a href="#">painted craft</a> .
May 13th	Frog Jumping Day Leprechaun's Day	<a href="https://www.sswwww.com/daily-holidays-may/#FrogJumping">https://www.sswwww.com/daily-holidays-may/#FrogJumping</a> Have your group create their own <a href="#">DIY leprechaun masks</a> using a blank mask and construction paper
May 14th	Dance Like A Chicken Day	Celebrate by playing this <a href="#">Funky Chicken Card Game</a> that gets everyone up and moving!
May 15th	Armed Forces Day National Chocolate Chip Day	<a href="https://www.sswwww.com/daily-holidays-may/#ArmedForces">https://www.sswwww.com/daily-holidays-may/#ArmedForces</a> Celebrate by teaching your group how to make chocolate chip cookies!
May 16th	Love A Tree Day Wear Purple For Peace Day	<a href="https://www.sswwww.com/daily-holidays-may/#LoveATree">https://www.sswwww.com/daily-holidays-may/#LoveATree</a> Encourage the class to wear purple, then let them decorate their own <a href="#">Peace Sign Foam Hands</a> .
May 17th	World Baking Day	Celebrate with some <a href="#">baking activities</a> for your group to enjoy!
May 18th	International Museum Day Dinosaur Day	Plan a field trip to a local museum. Kids will love a Dinosaur Theme! Plan some <a href="#">dino games, crafts, and activities like a Dino Dig</a> .
May 19th	May Ray Day	Be sure to plan some <a href="#">outdoor activities</a> today so your group can soak up the sun rays!

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May 20th	World Metrology Day World Bee Day	Set a target weight, and have kids use whatever is available to try reach that number. Use this <a href="#">simple digital scale</a> to measure! Plan a fun <a href="#">Paper Bee Craft activity</a> for your kids while they learn simple facts about these insects
May 21st	National Memo Day Eat More Fruits & Vegetables Day National Pizza Party Day NASCAR Day	<a href="https://www.swww.com/daily-holidays-may/#Memo">https://www.swww.com/daily-holidays-may/#Memo</a> Use these <a href="#">foam fruit and veggies</a> to teach your group about the importance of staying healthy! They are also great for use with parachute play! Create a pizza party <a href="#">money jar</a> and when it's full have a group pizza party for lunch! Plan an activity where your group assembles and decorates their own <a href="#">custom race cars</a> . Include a simple lesson about physics.
May 22nd	Buy A Musical Instrument Day National Maritime Day	<a href="https://www.swww.com/daily-holidays-may/#Instrument">https://www.swww.com/daily-holidays-may/#Instrument</a> A perfect day to have a Nautical or Maritime theme - use these <a href="#">related crafts and activities</a> for inspiration.
May 23rd	World Turtle Day	<a href="https://www.swww.com/daily-holidays-may/#TurtleDay">https://www.swww.com/daily-holidays-may/#TurtleDay</a>
May 24th	National Scavenger Hunt Day	<a href="https://www.swww.com/daily-holidays-may/#ScavengerHunt">https://www.swww.com/daily-holidays-may/#ScavengerHunt</a>
May 25th	National Brown-Bag-It Day	A great day to host a <a href="#">fundraiser</a> for families that can't supply their own lunches for students
May 26th	National Paper Airplane Day	Let students fold and design their own <a href="#">paper</a> airplanes and have a contest to see which one flies farthest.
May 27th	Sunscreen Day	<a href="https://www.swww.com/daily-holidays-may/#Sunscreen">https://www.swww.com/daily-holidays-may/#Sunscreen</a>
May 28th	National Hamburger Day National Wig Out Day	Kids can <a href="#">turn their name into a hamburger</a> using bubble lettering and colored pencils or markers! Have your group make their own wigs by using colored yarn,cotton balls and other things to decorate <a href="#">plain hats!</a>
May 29th	Paper Clip Day National Learn About Composting Day	Make Spring themed <a href="#">flower bookmarks</a> with paper clips and felt flowers Use this <a href="#">downloadable guide</a> to teach your group about composting with a few different activities!
May 30th	Water A Flower Day National Creativity Day	Incorporate an educational lesson into your classroom with a <a href="#">Flower Garden craft kit</a> . Encourage students to unleash their creativity through DIY <a href="#">arts and crafts activities</a> .
May 31st	Memorial Day National Speak in Complete Sentences Day	<a href="https://www.swww.com/daily-holidays-may/#Memorial">https://www.swww.com/daily-holidays-may/#Memorial</a> Use these <a href="#">sentence strips</a> as an aid to your lesson plan to help reinforce your students' learning.

### Monthly Observances/Holidays

[Get Caught Reading Month](#)  
[National Bike Month](#)  
[National Photography Month](#)  
[National Mental Health Month](#)  
[Older Americans Month](#)  
[Garden for Wildlife Month](#)  
[National Tennis Month](#)  
[National Physical Fitness and Sports Month](#)  
[National Pet Month](#)  
[International Drum Month](#)  
[National Teen Self-Esteem Month](#)

### Weekly Observances/Holidays

May 2nd - 8th	<a href="#">Drinking Water Week</a>
May 3rd - 9th	<a href="#">Screen-Free Week</a>
May 3rd - 9th	<a href="#">Children's Book Week</a>
May 3rd - 7th	<a href="#">Teacher Appreciation Week</a>
May 6th -12th	<a href="#">Be Kind to Animals Week</a>
May 10th -14th	<a href="#">National Reading is Fun Week</a>
May 23rd -29th	<a href="#">National Backyard Games Week</a>