# National Educational and Health Awareness Dates

## AUG. 17

- **National Immunization Awareness Month**
- **6** Friendship Day
- **8** Happiness Happens Day
- **13** Left Handers’ Day
- **26** Women’s Equality Day

## SEPT. 17

- **Childhood Cancer Awareness Month**
- **Children’s Good Manners Month**
- **Library Card Sign-up Month**
- **National Childhood Obesity Awareness Month**
- **National Preparedness Month**
- **National Recovery Month**
- **Self-Improvement Month**
- **Sexual Health Awareness Month**
- **Sept. 15– Oct. 15 Hispanic Heritage Month**
- **8** International Literacy Day
- **10-16** National Suicide Prevention Week
- **10** World Suicide Prevention Day
- **15-17** Clean up the World Weekend
- **17-23** Child Passenger Safety Week
- **17** Constitution Day/Citizenship Day
- **19** International Talk Like a Pirate Day
- **20** National School Backpack Awareness Day
- **21** International Day of Peace
- **21** RAINN (Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network) Day
- **24** Family Health & Fitness Day
- **25-29** Ally Week
- **27** National Women’s Health & Fitness Day
- **29** World Heart Day

## OCT. 17

- **ADHD Awareness Month**
- **Bullying Prevention Month**
- **Communicate with Your Kids Month**
- **Computer Learning Month**
- **Crime Prevention Month**
- **Domestic Violence Awareness Month**
- **Health Literacy Month**
- **LGBT History Month**
- **National Book Month**
- **National Depression and Mental Health Screening Month**
- **Positive Attitude Month**
- **1** International Day for Older Persons
- **2-8** Mental Illness Awareness Week
- **2** Child Health Day
- **2** World Habitat Day
- **4** Walk and Bike to School Day
- **5** World Teacher’s Day
- **5** National Depression Screening Day
- **6** World Smile Day
- **8-14** Teen Read Week
- **11** National Coming Out Day
- **15-21** America’s Safe Schools Week
- **16-20** National Health Education Week
- **16-20** National School Bus Safety Week
- **16** World Food Day
- **22** International Stuttering Awareness Day
- **23-31** Red Ribbon Week (Drug-Free America)
- **24** United Nations Day
- **25** Unity Day/Stop Bullying Day
### NOV. 17

- Adoption Awareness Month
- Military Family Appreciation Month
- National Career Development Month
- National Family Caregivers Month
- National Runaway Prevention Month
- National Scholarship Month
- Native American Heritage Month
- Picture Book Month

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### DEC. 17

- National Impaired Driving Prevention Month
- Safe Toys and Gifts Month

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### JAN. 18

- Get Organized Month
- National Mentoring Month
- National Blood Donor Month
- National Thank-You Month

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### FEB. 18

- African American History Month
- Career and Technical Education Month
- International Boost Self-Esteem Month
- National Children’s Dental Health Month
- Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month

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MARCH 2018

Gender Equality Month
Middle Level Education Month
Music in Our Schools Month
National Nutrition Month
Women's History Month
Youth Art Month

1
Self-injury Awareness Day

2
Read Across America Day/Dr. Seuss’s Birthday

5-9
National School Breakfast Week

8
International Women’s Day

19-23
National Youth Violence Prevention Week

19
Kick Butts Day

21
International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

22
World Water Day

MAY 2018

Asian–Pacific American Heritage Month
Better Hearing and Speech Month
Clean Air Month
Mental Health Month
Military Appreciation Month
National Bike Month
National Foster Care Month
National Physical Fitness and Sports Month
Teen Pregnancy Prevention Month

1-7
Choose Privacy Week

7-11
National PTA Teacher Appreciation Week

19
Armed Forces Day

25
National Missing Children’s Day

31
World No Tobacco Day

JUNE 2018

Fireworks Safety Month (1–July 4)
National Hunger Awareness Month
National Safety Month

1
International Children’s Day

5
World Environment Day

14
Flag Day