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Dear Colleagues,

It is my pleasure to share the 2026 State Calendar issued by the Department of the Secretary of State under the provisions of L.D. 2222. Our office collaborated with all stakeholders to assure the accurate dates as required in the statute. We are pleased to present a state calendar that is inclusive of all Mainers.

Going forward all state agencies should consult this calendar, and whenever possible, avoid scheduling meetings or public facing events on these days.

This calendar includes religious holidays that:

- Are celebrated by people in Maine.
- Involve practices that would make it difficult to attend work related meetings or events. (For example, preparing for or attending special ceremonies, travel for family gatherings, or other practices.)

This calendar does not:

- Establish new paid holidays for state employees.
- Include religious holidays that are traditionally observed on weekends and evenings (for example, Hannukah, and Easter).
- Absolutely prohibit meetings on listed days.

Your consideration is sincerely appreciated.

Take care,

Shenna Bellows
Secretary of State

2026		
Wednesday, January 7, 2026	Orthodox Christmas	Orthodox Christian
Sunday, February 15, 2026	Maha Shivaratri	Hindu
Tuesday, February 17, 2026	Ramadan begins**	Muslim
Thursday, March 19, 2026	Eid al-Fitr**	Muslim
Saturday, March 21, 2026	Naw-Rúz	Baha'i
Thursday, March 26, 2026	Ram Navami	Hindu
Wednesday April 1, 2026, and Tuesday, April 2, 2026	Passover (Seders)**	Jewish
Friday, April 3, 2026	Good Friday	Christian
Friday, April 10, 2026	Orthodox Good Friday	Orthodox Christian
Tuesday, April 14, 2026	Vaisakhi (Baisakhi)	Sikh
Tuesday, April 21, 2026	Ridvan begins**	Baha'i
Friday, May 1, 2026	Vesak	Buddhist
Tuesday, May 26, 2026	Eid al-Adha**	Muslim
Tuesday, June 16, 2026	Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev Sahib	Sikh
Thursday, September 3, 2026	Krishna Janmashtami	Hindu
Friday, September 11, 2026, to Sunday, September 13, 2026	Rosh Hashanah**	Jewish
September 20, 2026, to September 21, 2026	Yom Kippur**	Jewish
Sunday, November 8, 2026	Diwali (begins)	Hindu
Tuesday, November 24, 2026	Guru Nanak Jayanti (Gurpurab)	Sikh

**Observances for these holidays begin at sunset.

Other items of note:

- Many religious holidays are based on a lunar calendar (such as Jewish, Muslim and Hindu holidays). In these cases, the dates listed above are estimates that may change or may differ in different regions.
- Religious practices on holidays may vary.
- We diligently researched and updated our holiday dates, however, if you find an error, please contact the Department of the Secretary of State.