Non-exhaustive List of Religious Holidays/Holy Days (2024)

*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
- Purim
- Yom HaShoah
- Lag B’Omer
- Pesach (Passover)
- Yom HaSho’ah
- Yom Ha’Azmaut
- Shavuot
- Tisha B’Av
- Rosh Hashanah
- Yom Kippur
- Sukkot
- Shemini
- Simchat Torah
- Hanukkah

### Christianity
- Feast of Mary Mother of God
- Christmas – Eastern Orthodox
- Epiphany
- Ash Wednesday
- Lent
- Orthodox Lent
- Feast of the Annunciation
- Palm Sunday
- Holy Thursday
- Good Friday
- Easter
- Pascha/Easter (Eastern Orthodox)
- Feast of the Ascension
- Pentecost
- Trinity Sunday
- Corpus Christi Sunday
- Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus
- Nativity of St. John the Baptist
- Feast of Saints Peter and Paul
- Feast of St. Ignatius Loyola
- Feast of the Assumption of Mary
- All Saints Day
- All Souls Day
- Dia de los Muertos
- Feast of Christ the King
- Advent Season
- Feast of St. Francis Xavier
- Feast of the Immaculate Conception
- Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe
- Christmas

### Islam
- Sabe-Miraj or Lailatul Me’raj
- Sabe Barat
- Ramadan
- Lailatul Qadr
- Eid al-Fitr

### Hinduism
- Maha Shivaratri
- Shri Ramakrishna Jayanti
- Holi
- Rama Navami
- Mahavir-Jayanti
- Raksha Bandhan
- Krishna Janmashtami
- Navaratri
- Diwali

### Buddhism
- Bodhi Day
- Lunar New Year
- Magha Puja Day
- Vesak
- Buddha Day/Visakha Puja
- Diwali

### Sikh
- Birthday of Guru Gobind Singh Sahib
- Mahavir-Jayanti
- Vaisakhi
- Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev Sahib
- Diwali
- Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib
- Birthday of Guru Nanak Dev Sahib

### Bahá’í
- ‘Aláá’ (Loftiness)
- Naw-Rúz
- Rídván
- Declaration of the Bab
- Ascension of Bahá’u’lláh
- Martyrdom of the Bab
- Birth of the Bab
- Birth of Bahá’u’lláh
- Ascension of ‘Abdu’l-Bahá

### Shinto
- Gantan-sai
- Setsubum-sai

### Other
- Kwanzaa
- Lunar New Year