# October 2002

Educator Calendar

**All month:** ADHD Awareness Month · Down Syndrome Awareness Month · Dyslexia Awareness Month · National Bullying Prevention Month

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | **1**<br>• Hispanic Heritage Month | **2**<br>• Walk to School Day<br>• Hispanic Heritage Month | **3**<br>• Hispanic Heritage Month | **4**<br>• Hispanic Heritage Month | **5**<br>• Hispanic Heritage Month |
| **6**<br>• Fire Prevention Week<br>• Hispanic Heritage Month | **7**<br>• Fire Prevention Week<br>• Hispanic Heritage Month | **8**<br>• Fire Prevention Week<br>• Hispanic Heritage Month | **9**<br>• Fire Prevention Week<br>• Hispanic Heritage Month | **10**<br>• Mental Health Day<br>• Fire Prevention Week<br>• Hispanic Heritage Month | **11**<br>• Day of the Girl<br>• Fire Prevention Week<br>• Hispanic Heritage Month | **12**<br>• Fire Prevention Week<br>• Hispanic Heritage Month |
| **13**<br>• Hispanic Heritage Month | **14**<br>• Indigenous Peoples' Day<br>• Hispanic Heritage Month | **15**<br>• Handwashing Day<br>• Hispanic Heritage Month | **16**<br>• Food Day | **17** | **18** | **19** |
| **20** | **21**<br>• Bus Safety Week | **22**<br>• Bus Safety Week | **23**<br>• Bus Safety Week<br>• Red Ribbon Week | **24**<br>• Bus Safety Week<br>• Red Ribbon Week | **25**<br>• Bus Safety Week<br>• Red Ribbon Week | **26**<br>• Red Ribbon Week |
| **27**<br>• Red Ribbon Week | **28**<br>• Red Ribbon Week | **29**<br>• Red Ribbon Week | **30**<br>• Red Ribbon Week | **31**<br>• Halloween<br>• Red Ribbon Week | | |

**Legend:** • Holidays & Celebrations • Awareness Days/Months • Prevention & Safety • Culture & History

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## Events in October 2002

**Sep 15 – Oct 15** **Hispanic Heritage Month** (Culture & History) A celebration of the histories, cultures and contributions of Hispanic and Latino Americans (September 15 – October 15).

**Oct 1 – Oct 31** **ADHD Awareness Month** (Awareness Days/Months) A month raising awareness of ADHD.

**Oct 1 – Oct 31** **Down Syndrome Awareness Month** (Awareness Days/Months) A month celebrating people with Down syndrome.

**Oct 1 – Oct 31** **Dyslexia Awareness Month** (Awareness Days/Months) A month raising awareness of dyslexia.

**Oct 1 – Oct 31** **National Bullying Prevention Month** (Prevention & Safety) A month promoting kindness, acceptance and bullying prevention.

**Wed Oct 2** **Walk to School Day** (Prevention & Safety) A day encouraging safe walking and biking to school (first Wednesday in October).

**Oct 6 – Oct 12** **Fire Prevention Week** (Prevention & Safety) NFPA's week (Sunday to Saturday) containing October 9, promoting fire safety.

**Thu Oct 10** **World Mental Health Day** (Awareness Days/Months) A WHO day for global mental health education and awareness.

**Fri Oct 11** **International Day of the Girl** (Awareness Days/Months) A UN day promoting girls' rights and empowerment.

**Mon Oct 14** **Indigenous Peoples' Day / Columbus Day** (Culture & History, varies by location) The second Monday of October: a federal holiday (Columbus Day); many states and districts observe Indigenous Peoples' Day.

**Tue Oct 15** **Global Handwashing Day** (Awareness Days/Months) A day promoting handwashing with soap.

**Wed Oct 16** **World Food Day** (Awareness Days/Months) An FAO day promoting action against hunger.

**Oct 21 – Oct 25** **National School Bus Safety Week** (Prevention & Safety) A week promoting school bus safety (third full week of October).

**Oct 23 – Oct 31** **Red Ribbon Week** (Prevention & Safety) The nation's largest drug-prevention awareness campaign (October 23–31).

**Thu Oct 31** **Halloween** (Holidays & Celebrations) A celebration with costumes and treats; check district guidance for classroom celebrations.