

**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.

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Lunar New Year  
Magha Puja Day  
Buddha Day/Visakha Puja  
Vesak

**Sikh**

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

**Bahá í**

Birth of the Bab  
Birth of Bahauallah  
Ascension of 'Abdu'l-Baha  
'Alá' (Loftiness)  
Naw-Ruz  
Ridvan  
Declaration of the Bab  
Ascension of Baha'u'llah  
Martyrdom of the Bab

**Shinto**

Gantan-sai  
Setsubum-sai

**Other**

Kwanzaa