

# September 2022



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Labor Day, Monday, September 5, 2022

**1. The idea first became public in 1882.** In September 1882, the unions of New York City decided to have a parade to celebrate their members being in unions, and to show support for all unions. At least 20,000 people were there, and the workers had to give up a day's pay to attend.

**2. The New York parade inspired other unions.** Other regions started having parades, and by 1887, Oregon, Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey, and Colorado made Labor Day a state holiday.



*Information from Constitution Day, September 6, 2021*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 National Letter Writing Day	2 National Food Bank Day	3
4 National Wildlife Day	5 <b>NO SCHOOL LABOR DAY</b>	6 Read a Book Day 	7	8	9	10
11 <b>Patriot Day Remembering 9-11</b>	12	13 Positive Thinking Day	14	15	16	17 <b>CONSTITUTION DAY</b> 
18	19	20 Autumn Begins 	21	22	23 <b>NO SCHOOL STAFF PD</b> International Day of Sign Language 	24
25	26 National Family Day 	27	28	29	30 National Love People Day 	



- September 11 is Patriot Day, held in honor and remembrance of those who died in the September 11 attacks of 2001.
- September 11 - Grandparents Day
- September 17 - Constitution Day

## SEPTEMBER IS ATTENDANCE AWARENESS MONTH

In December 2016, the Ohio General Assembly passed House Bill 410 to encourage and support a preventative approach to excessive absences and truancy. Absences are no longer counted by days but rather by hours. Every minute that a child is absent, including tardies or leaving early, will count as an absence.

It is important for every student in Ohio to attend school every day. Missing too much school has long-term, negative effects on students, such as lower achievement and graduation rates.

Regular school attendance is an important ingredient in students' academic success. Excessive absences interfere with students' progress in mastering knowledge and skills necessary to graduate from high school, prepare for higher education and the workforce. To support academic success for all students, Par Excellence Academy will partner with students and their families to identify and reduce barriers to regular school attendance.

### DEFINITION OF HABITUAL TRUANCY AND EXCESSIVE ABSENCES

1. **'Chronic truant'** is removed from the law;
2. Definition of **'habitual truant'** changed from days to hours. The new definition is:
  - a. Absent 30 or more consecutive hours without a legitimate excuse;
  - b. Absent 42 or more hours in one school month without a legitimate excuse; or
  - c. Absent 72 or more hours in one school year without a legitimate excuse
3. Definition of **'excessive absences'**:
  - a. Absent 38 or more hours in one school month with or without a legitimate excuse; or
  - b. Absent 65 or more hours in one school year with or without a legitimate excuse

*Parents/Guardians must call the school by 7:45 a.m. to report their child absence. The office must also be notified of any absence, transportation changes, etc., even if you have notified the teacher.*

***"Rejoice with your family in the beautiful land of life."***

Albert Einstein