

2026 Brandeis Holiday Schedule

Holiday	Date Celebrated
New Year's Day (2026)	Thursday, January 1, 2026
New Year's Holiday***	Friday, January 2
Martin Luther King Jr.'s Day	Monday, January 19
President's Day	Monday, February 16
Good Friday*	Friday, April 3 (begins at noon)
Patriot's Day**	Monday, April 20
Memorial Day***	Friday, May 22 (begins at 2:00 p.m.)
Memorial Day	Monday, May 25
Juneteenth	Friday, June 19
Independence Day***	Friday, July 3
Labor Day	Monday, September 7
Yom Kippur	Monday, September 21
Indigenous Peoples Day	Monday, October 12
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday, November 26
Thanksgiving Friday	Friday, November 27
Christmas Eve Day***	Thursday, December 24
Christmas Day	Friday, December 25
Holiday Break***	Monday, December 28 – Thursday, December 31
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*Half-day holiday

**Floating holiday (academic and administrative offices open): Must be used within three months from the date of the holiday.

***President's Discretionary Days: Staff members who are required to work these holidays may be entitled to take other days off and should check with their supervisors regarding scheduling. Unused discretionary days granted by the President will not be paid out at termination of employment.

Floating Holiday

A Floating Holiday is provided for those who must work on Patriots' Day. Exempt employees do not need to log the floating holiday but must arrange with their manager to use within 90 days. Nonexempt employees do need to log the floating holiday within 90 days if they worked on Patriots' Day. In order to be credited the floating holiday, they need to do a negative seven- or eight-hour adjustment (depending on standard schedule) and then enter the floating holiday later when time is utilized.