

MEMORANDUM

To: All Faculty and Staff

From: Jennifer Charles *Jennifer Charles*

Date: August 13, 2026

Re: 2026-27 Academic Year Holiday Schedule

Attached are copies of the approved 2026-2027 Academic Year Holiday Schedule. The schedule reflects 16 total holidays.

The Summer Fun-days Off (SFO) program is expected to follow the same guidelines as prior years. Please refer to the Human Resources website for more information.

Please refer to the Human Resources website for more information about University Holidays.

The [Holiday Schedules](#) can be found on the Human Resources' website.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the holiday schedules, or about the SFO Program, please call the Human Resources department at ext. 1435.

Attachment

SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

SCHEDULE OF UNIVERSITY PAID HOLIDAYS SEPTEMBER 1, 2026 TO AUGUST 31, 2027

DAYS	DATE	HOLIDAY	SPECIAL NOTE
(1)	September 7, 2026 (Monday)	Labor Day	University offices* will close at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, September 4, 2026, and reopen on Tuesday, September 8, 2026.
(3)	November 25 through November 27, 2026 (Wednesday through Friday)	Thanksgiving	University offices* will close at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 24, 2026, and reopen on Monday, November 30, 2026.
(7)	December 24, 2026 through January 1, 2027 (Thursday through Friday)	Winter Holiday Break	University offices* will close at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 23, 2026, and reopen on Monday, January 4, 2027.
(1)	January 18, 2027 (Monday)	Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday (Observed)	University offices* will close at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 15, 2027, and reopen on Tuesday, January 19, 2027.
(1)	March 26, 2027 (Friday)	Good Friday	University offices* will close at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 25, 2027, and reopen on Monday, March 29, 2027.
(1)	May 31, 2027 (Monday)	Memorial Day	University offices* will close at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 28, 2027, and reopen on Tuesday, June 1, 2027.
(1)	June 18, 2027 (Friday)	Juneteenth/ Emancipation Day	University offices* will close at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 17, 2027, and reopen on Monday, June 21, 2027.
(1)	July 5, 2027 (Monday)	Independence Day	University offices* will close at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, July 2, 2027, and reopen on Tuesday, July 6, 2027.
(16) Total Holidays for Academic Year 2026-2027			

*Emergency personnel, Facilities Management employees, switchboard operators, and other University employees may be designated to work on one or more holidays. If so, these employees will either be provided with an alternative holiday day or paid holiday pay in accordance with the Staff Handbook.

The Summer Fun-days Off (SFO) program will follow the regular guidelines. Please refer to the Human Resources website for more information.

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