

2026-2027



Mansfield Public Schools Calendar

The MPS District Calendar is designed to note the start/end dates of school, vacations, early dismissals, and professional learning days. **Snow days are not built into the calendar. Therefore, if the district closes for inclement weather, additional days will be added to the end of school in June to ensure that students attend 182 days of school.** If the total number of snow days exceeds five additional days, consideration will be given to Professional Learning Days and the February/April vacation days.

Mansfield is a diverse and inclusive community that celebrates many cultural and religious holidays. MPS encourages all students, families, and staff members to respect each other's heritage and cultural diversity. The district encourages families to take time as a student excused absence to celebrate and honor various dates that do not currently align to this calendar. A list of dates for secular holidays as well as other festivals and holy days observed in our community is on the reverse side. For more information regarding these events please refer to community calendars and the district's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion web page.

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June 2027 ⁽⁸⁾						
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Color Key/Notes

- First/Last Student Day
- No School for Students
- Professional Learning/No School
- Early Dismissal
- 182 Student Days
- 7 Professional Learning Days

NOTE: 6/10/27 Last Day of School for Students Without Added Inclement Weather Days.
BOE Adopted December 11, 2025

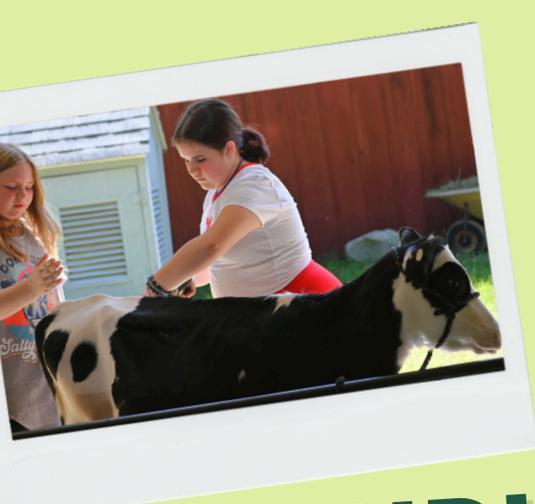
2026 - 2027 Holidays and Cultural Observances

MPS encourages all students, families, and staff members to appreciate and respect each other's heritage and cultural diversity. Below is a list of many secular holidays as well as other festivals and holy days observed in our community.

MPS Schools will not schedule student key events on the dates below out of respect to the diverse members of our community. The district encourages families to take time to celebrate and honor various dates that do not currently align to the school calendar. Students will be excused for these holidays. **Dates highlighted in yellow indicate days in which students are not in schools due to weekends and/or vacation dates.**

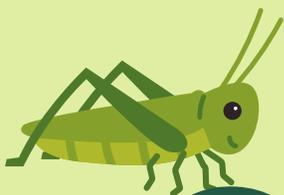
Holiday or Observance	Religious Group	Dates
Mawlid-al-Nabi (birthday of Mohammad)	Islamic	August 25
Janmashtami	Hindu	September 4
Labor Day		September 7
Rosh Hashanah (New Year)	Jewish	September 11-13
Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement)	Jewish	September 20-21
Sukkot (Feast of Tabernacles)	Jewish	September 25 - October 2
Shmini Atzeret	Jewish	October 2-4
Simchat Torah	Jewish	October 3-4
Indigenous Peoples' Day		October 12
Navaratri/Dussehra	Hindu	October 13
Diwali	Hindu	November 8
Veteran's Day		November 11
Thanksgiving Day		November 26
Hanukkah (Chanukah)	Jewish	December 4-12
HumanLight		December 23
Christmas Day	Christian	December 25
Boxing Day		December 26
Kwanza		December 26 - January 1
New Year's Day		January 1
Three Kings' Day/Epiphany	Christian	January 6
Orthodox Christmas	Christian Orthodox	January 7
Martin Luther King Day		January 18
Lunar New Year		February 6
Beginning of Ramadan	Islamic	February 7
Ash Wednesday	Christian	February 10
Beginning of Lent	Christian	February 10
Valentine's Day		February 14
President's Day		February 15
Lailat Ul Qadr	Islamic	March 5
Maha Shivaratri	Hindu	March 6
Eid al-Fitr (End of Ramadan)	Islamic	March 9
St. Patrick's Day	Christian	March 17
Holi	Hindu	March 22
Purim	Jewish	March 22-23
Good Friday	Christian	March 26
Easter	Christian	March 28
Rama Navami	Hindu	April 15
Passover (Pesach)	Jewish	April 21-29
Orthodox Good Friday	Christian Orthodox	April 30
Orthodox Easter	Christian Orthodox	May 2
Eid al-Adha	Islamic	May 16-17
Memorial Day		May 31
Shavuot	Jewish	June 10-12
Juneteenth		June 19

All Jewish, Muslim, and Bahá'í holidays begin at sundown on the evening of the first date shown.



DECEMBER 28TH
2-4PM

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(5-WEEK SERIES)

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FEBRUARY 5TH & 19TH

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5:00-6:30 pm

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Registration & Contact:

Kelly McKenney, LMSW

Phone: 860.429.3392

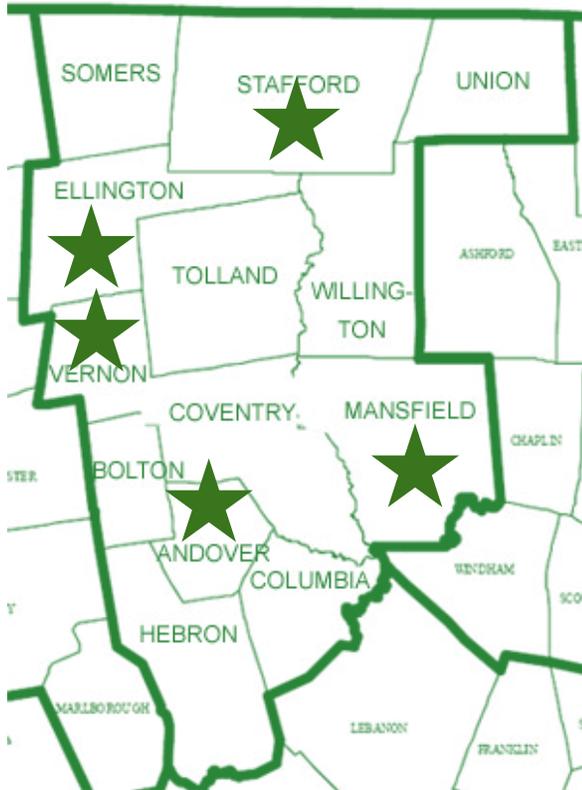
Email: YSB@mansfieldct.org

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Runs January - March**

Mondays: Tolland County Ag Center, Vernon

Tuesday: Andover Town Hall, Andover

Tuesday: Hall Memorial Library, Ellington

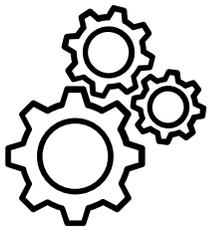
Wednesday: Mansfield Public Library, Mansfield

Thursday: Stafford Public Library, Stafford

Thursday: Hall Memorial Library, Ellington

Thursday: Rockville Public Library, Vernon

There is no residency or school requirement to participate!



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2026 CT ASA Poster Competition Fact Sheet

Sponsored by
The Connecticut Chapter of the American Statistical Association

Posters must be received by: March 27, 2026

Overview:

Posters may be submitted either physically or digitally. A digital submission may be a high-quality photograph of the completed poster or prepared using computer software (for example Microsoft PowerPoint or Adobe Illustrator).

Posters will be judged in four grade categories:

- K - 3
- 4 - 6
- 7 - 9
- 10 - 12

In each category, 1st place poster will receive \$100, 2nd place poster \$75, and 3rd place poster \$50. (Prizes are awarded per poster, not per individual for team entries.)

Winning and honorable mention posters will be entered into the ASA National Poster Competition. This year, the national competition will **not** accept direct submissions from states with local contests, so interested participants should participate through our competition in CT.

Important dates:

The deadline for submission is **Friday, March 27, 2026**.

Teachers and students with winning posters will be notified by Friday, April 10.

A poster session and awards ceremony will be hosted by the Department of Statistics & Data Science at Yale University in late April 2026, exact date TBD.

Submission instructions:

Please send physical submissions by mail to:

Zhou Fan
219 Prospect Street
Department of Statistics & Data Science, Yale University
New Haven, CT 06511

Please send digital submissions by email to:

CT.ASA.2026.poster.competition@gmail.com

Sincerely,

Zhou Fan and Leying Guan
CT ASA K-12 Outreach Coordinators

Poster Contest Rules

One separate entry form must be completed and submitted with each poster.

- Any application form which cannot be read will not be included in the judging.
- Any poster which does not have an accompanying application form will also not be included in the judging.

Please read these rules carefully

- Students may work individually or in teams:
 - For those in the K-3 category, there is no restriction on the size of the team; it may be as large as the entire class.
 - For other grade categories, the maximum number of team members is 4 students.
 - For teams with members from different grades, the highest grade determines the entry category.
- Posters must be the original design and creation of the entrants themselves. Subject matter is the choice of the participant(s) or their classmates.
- Except for the K-3 category, more than one graph is required.
- Posters must measure between 18 and 24 inches high and 24 and 30 inches wide. For digital posters, please ensure that the document page size falls within these limits.
- Computer graphics may be used in both physical and digital posters. For digital posters, please ensure that all text is in at least 16 point font.
- An example of the original data and brief descriptions of method of collection and purpose of the experiment should be taped to the back of the poster for physical submissions, and included as a separate image or text file for digital submissions. References must be cited for published data.
- Be sure the poster itself gives no information that identifies the team or school.

In submitting a poster, students agree that the poster may be displayed at the ASA's Joint Statistical Meetings, featured in its publications, and posted on the ASA or CT Chapter website.

All entries become the property of the sponsors and cannot be returned.

Guidance on Poster Content

- Students should keep in mind the following goals:
 1. Select a carefully focused question to investigate.
 2. Choose appropriate data to collect in order to answer this question.
 3. Analyze the data thoughtfully, and summarize the data graphically and visually.
 4. Use the data to draw the correct conclusion about the original question.
- A poster must be able to stand alone - without a narrator to tell the story or a report to discuss the data. Not only must viewers understand the individual graphics, but they must also understand the relationships among the graphs, and how the graphs address the central question.
- Focus - the central idea or conclusion should be the most prominent feature of the poster.
- Be consistent. Use graphs consistently to present the same types of data. Consistent use of colors and patterns is important. Use colors with restraint; colors should enhance recognition of the conclusion. If two graphs will be compared, make the size and axis labels consistent.
- Each graph should have its own title, labels, and legend. Units should be correctly marked on axes, and axes should be scaled appropriately.
- Use an informative title. The title may convey the major conclusion to be drawn from the data or ask a question which draws the viewer in.
- The poster is not a report and not an art project. The central focus should be on the graphs, and the graphs should convey the central message. Excessive artwork should be avoided. Data tables and detailed written explanations should not appear on the front of the poster.
- Do not have too many graphs - If the poster contains more than five graphs then it almost certainly has too many. Usually three to five graphs suffice - some show what data were collected and others summarize the conclusions. Each graph on the poster should convey new information about the data that cannot be seen in the other graphs. *It is generally not a good idea to plot the exact same data two different ways (i.e., a pie chart and a bar chart).*
- Sample sizes - Percentages are often an appropriate tool for comparing different groups of data; however it is important to always report group sizes. For example, percentages would be misleading if a poster says that 75% of girls and 60% of boys like pokémon, and omits to report that 40 boys were surveyed, but only 4 girls were.

Judging Criteria

Judging will be based on the rubric available at <https://www.amstat.org/asa/files/pdfs/EDU-PosterJudgingRubric.pdf>. The poster will be scored on a 1-to-5 scale in each of the following criteria:

- **Overall impact of the display (poster design).** Poster design aspects, colors/patterns, grammar, spelling, dimensionality, readability, neatness
- **Formulate statistical investigative questions.** Statistical question that anticipates variability leads to productive investigations.
- **Collect/consider data.** How useful are the data for answering the statistical investigative question?
- **Appropriateness of the data visualization.** Visualizations address the investigative question
- **Creativity (topic is of interest).** “Who cares factor”

You can see examples of past winning posters here:

<https://community.amstat.org/connecticutchapter/ct-poster-winners-2025>

**CT Chapter of the American Statistical Association
2026 Data Visualization Poster Competition**

Posters must be received by: Friday March 27, 2026

ENTRY APPLICATION FORM

A separate entry form must be completed and emailed together with each poster. Please make certain that the poster itself gives no information that identifies the team or school.

Grade category: K-3 _____ 4-6 _____ 7-9 _____ 10-12 _____

For a team entry, the category is determined by the highest grade of any member.

Please type (Clarity is absolutely essential!)

Title of Poster:

Full Name of School:

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

WINNING TEACHERS WILL BE NOTIFIED VIA EMAIL OR TELEPHONE THEREFORE COMPLETE ALL INFORMATION BELOW:

Faculty/Advisor Name **: _____

email **: _____

Signature: _____

Phone **: () _____ - _____

**** is required**

Please give students' name(s) and grade level(s) below.

Attach a separate list of all students if there are more than four team members (Note: This is only allowed for Grades K-3. All other grades must not have more than 4 members within a team.)

For winning posters, the names provided below will be as they are noted on the Award Certificates, therefore make sure full names are given and these names are legible.

1. _____ Grade _____

2. _____ Grade _____

3. _____ Grade _____

4. _____ Grade _____

I/we verify that this is my/our original work, and I/we understand that it will become the property of the American Statistical Association as a work for hire under the copyright act. In submitting a poster entry, students agree that the poster may be displayed at the ASA's Joint Statistical Meetings, featured in its publications, and included on its website.