

International, National and Provincial Cyber Events Calendar

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September

- **World Education Technology Day** – Every September 23 – Celebrated every year to recognize the invaluable role of technology in revolutionizing education.
- **Digital Learning Week** – September 2 to 5, 2024 – UNESCO's annual flagship event on digital learning and the transformation of education.

October

- **K-12 Cyber Awareness Month** – Every October – An annual campaign aimed at increasing cyber security, privacy and cyber safety awareness across K-12.
- **Ontario Cyber Security Awareness Month** – Every October – An annual campaign aimed at increasing cyber security awareness within the Ontario Public Service and the Broader Public Service.
- **National Cyber Security Awareness Month** – Every October – An annual campaign aimed at increasing cyber security awareness across the country.
- **World Mental Health Day** – Every October 10 – An annual World Health Organization campaign to raise awareness of mental health issues around the world and to mobilize efforts in support of mental health. An opportunity to raise awareness of technology related mental health issues.
- **Media Literacy Week** – October 21 to 25, 2024 – An annual event promoting digital media literacy across Canada.
- **Global Media and Information Literacy Week** – October 24 to 31, 2024 – An annual UNESCO event celebrated worldwide that brings together stakeholders from around the world to share ideas

and explore innovative ways to promote Media and Information Literacy for all.

- **Digital Citizen Day** – October 23, 2024 – An annual event encouraging everyone to engage and share responsibly in our digital world.

November

- **International day against violence and bullying at school including cyberbullying** – First Thursday of November – An annual UNESCO event recognizing that school-related violence in all its forms is an infringement of children and adolescents' rights to education and their health and well-being.
- **National STEM/STEAM Day** – Every November 8 – An annual observance to celebrate and promote the fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics.
- **Social Media Kindness Day** – Every November 9 – An annual event dedicated to promoting positivity, empathy, and kindness in the digital world.
- **International Fraud Awareness Week** – Third Week of November – An annual global effort to minimize the impact of fraud by promoting anti-fraud awareness and education.
- **World Kindness Day** – Every November 13 – An annual celebration highlighting the importance of empathy, understanding, and cooperation to create a more harmonious and caring world.
- **Ontario Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week** – Week starting from Third Sunday of November – An annual event when Ontario students, school staff and parents are encouraged to learn more about bullying and its effects on student learning and well-being.

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December

- No specific cyber security, online privacy or cyber safety events are observed or planned in the month of December. Schools and school boards can use this time to remind students, parents/guardians and teachers of holiday online scams and ways to prevent them.

January

- **Data Privacy Week** – Last Week of January – An annual event to highlight the impact technology is having on our privacy rights and underlines the importance of valuing and protecting personal information.

February

- **Safer Internet Day** – Tuesday February 11, 2025 – An annual event that aims to raise awareness of a safer and better internet for all, and especially for children and young people.
- **National Human Trafficking Awareness Day** – Every February 22 – A day to encourage Canadians to “raise awareness of the magnitude of modern day slavery in Canada and abroad and to take steps to combat human trafficking.”

March

- **National Clean Out Your Computer Day** – Second Monday in February – An annual day of observance to promote taking time out of your day to do some basic housekeeping on your computer.
- **Fraud Prevention Month** – Every March – An annual campaign that seeks to help you recognize, reject and report fraud.
- **Digital Cleanup Day** – Every Third Saturday in March – A day dedicated to cleaning up our digital lives, just like we clean up our physical environment.
- **International Day for Digital Learning** – Every March 19 – An annual UNESCO event to recognize the potential of high-quality and accessible digital learning to address educational challenges worldwide and to promote inclusive sustainable development.
- **World Backup Day** – Every March 31 – An annual day to remind everyone about the importance of being prepared against data loss and data theft by backing up our data.

April

- **Identity Management Day** – Every Second Tuesday in April – An annual day to educate business leaders and IT decision makers on the importance of identity management and key components including governance, identity-centric security best practices, processes, and technology, with a special focus on the dangers of not properly securing identities and access credentials.
- **World Intellectual Property Day** – Every April 26 – An annual event to explore how intellectual property (IP) encourages and can amplify innovative and creative solutions that are so crucial to building our common future.

May

- **World Password Day** – First Thursday in May – An annual day to promote better password habits.
- **Mental Health Week** – First Week in May – An annual event to celebrate and raise awareness about the importance of mental health.

June

- **Stop Cyberbullying in Ontario Day** – Third Friday of June – An annual day to raise awareness of the problem of cyberbullying and help lead to its prevention.

July

- **World Day Against Trafficking in Persons** – Every July 30 – A global campaign urging accelerated action to end child trafficking.
- **National Video Game Day** – Every July 8 – An annual event to celebrate the remarkable evolution of video games, from its humble beginnings to its current status, transcending its initial perception as leisure activities and now becoming a medium for storytelling, artistic expression, and educational tools.

August

- **World Wide Web Day** – Every August 1 – An annual day to commemorate the birth of the World Wide Web and serve as a reminder of the transformative impact it has had on our lives.