Dharma School 2026-27 Calendar

Sept 27, 2026. All Sangha Day Adult and child sangha members will gather in the temple today for a modified service and Dharma talk that engages sangha members of all ages. Enter main temple at 9:40am sharp!

Fall Dharma School Session: Oct. 4 – Nov. 8. *Sunday mornings, 9:45-11:30.*
At 9:45, families meet in the library for songs before kids break into classrooms. During classes, parents may attend our Parents' Group or the Dharma talk in the main temple. Kids should be picked up from their classrooms by 11:30.

Oct. 4	First Day of Dharma School. Regular class. **Mandatory parent orientation during class time, in Room 1. Community Lunch.** All are invited to partake of a delicious vegetarian feast and connect with Sangha at 11:30am.
Oct. 11	Regular class and Parents' Group.
Oct. 18	Regular class and Parents' Group.
Oct. 25	**Ceremony: Sejiki**. Adult and child members will celebrate the annual ceremony of "feeding the hungry ghosts" and cleansing of karma. Adults and children meet at the main temple no later than 9:55am for Sejiki. (**We will not meet in the library on this day**.)
Nov. 1	Regular class and Parents' Group. **Community Lunch.** All are invited to partake of a delicious vegetarian feast and connect with Sangha at 11:30am.
Nov. 8	**Ceremony: Rohatsu** honors Buddha's enlightenment. Meet at the library at 9:45am as usual, for singing, age groups and Parents' Group. All ages will reconvene in the library at 11am for the ceremony.

Jan 24, 2027. All Sangha Day and community lunch. Enter main temple at 9:40am sharp! All are invited to partake of a delicious vegetarian feast and connect with Sangha at 11:30.

Winter Session: Jan. 24 – Feb.28. *Sunday mornings, 9:45-11:30, we meet in the library.*

Jan. 31	Regular class and Parents' Group.
Feb 7	**Ceremony: Nehan** commemorates the death of Buddha. Meet in the library at 9:45am as usual, for singing, age groups and Parents' Group. All ages will reconvene at a fire pit near the playground at 11:10am for the ceremony.
Feb 14	Regular class and Parents' Group.
Feb 21	Regular class and Parents' Group. **Community lunch:** All are invited to partake of a delicious vegetarian feast and connect with Sangha at 11:30.
Feb. 28	Regular class and Parents' Group.

Spring Session: April 4 – May 2. *Sunday mornings, 9:45-11:30, we meet in the library.*	
Apr. 4, 2027	Regular class and Parents' Group.
Apr. 11	Regular class, sangha forum instead of Parent Group
Apr. 18	Regular class (with skit preparation) and Parents' Group.
Apr. 25	**Skits! And community lunch**. Every year, the dharma school classes present short skits to the community (sangha) at the temple, demonstrating something they have learned in dharma school during the year. These are a lot of fun. Everyone is invited to stay for **community lunch** afterward, with a special **ice cream social** to celebrate the dharma school year.
May 2	**Ceremony: Wesak** to celebrate Buddha's birth. Meet at 9:45am in front of the library. Adults and children bring flowers from home to decorate the Bower that covers Buddha, then participate in a ceremony in the main temple. Cake and Zenata to follow.

2026-2027 Other Youth and Family Events	
Nov 14	Parents' Retreat 1:30-5:00pm
Dec 4	Dharma School Potluck 5-7pm
Dec 19	Solstice Game Night (9 years and up) 5-7pm
Mar 13	Dharma School Potluck 5-7pm
Mar 20	Parents' Retreat 1:30-5:00pm
May 22	Youth Game Night (9 years and up) 5-7pm
July 18-24	Dharma Camp (9 years and up)
August TBD	Family Gathering
July/August TBD	Sangha Day
July/August TBD	Buddhist Festival