

Peace Day Activity Ideas for High School Students

The United Nations International Day of Peace (**Peace Day**) is observed worldwide on (and around) **September 21**. Peace Day provides a powerful opportunity for students to consider the concept of positive peace and how they can be active peacebuilders in their world.

- Follow @peacedayphilly on Twitter. Share your peace actions during the week of September 16 on social media using #peaceday, #peacedayphilly and #SDPActForPeace.
- Take a photo of an image that speaks peace to you and share on Instagram, Facebook or Twitter with #peaceday #peacedayphilly and #SDPActForPeace.
- Engage in acts of kindness toward other students and teachers through kind words or thoughtful note.
- Reach out to local officials via Twitter or letter and tell them what peace means to you in your community.
- Observe a minute of silence in the spirit of our desire for peace.
- Use class time sometime the week of Sept. 16 to discuss cyberbullying.
- Invite someone who is doing nonviolence or social justice work for a special assembly or interactive workshop. What are the challenges to creating a more peaceful world? What kind of actions can students take to make a difference?
- Collaboratively write a class peace pledge.
- Learn more about the UN's Sustainable Development Goals #SDGs): http://bit.ly/SDGKids.
- Share peace and kindness! Make and give away peace cranes: http://armedwiththearts.org/.
- Teachers, teach one of the lessons from "Teaching Tolerance" https://www.tolerance.org/classroom-resources.

Find many more ideas in the "What Can You Do?" section of www.peacedayphilly.org, or create your own Peace Day activities.