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## MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: III Armored Corps Fiscal Year 2026 (FY26) Holiday Observances

1. References:

a. Reference Army Regulation 600-8-10, (Leaves and Passes), 3 June 2020.

b. Updated IIIAC Training Guidance, Dated 26 August 24.

2. The purpose of this memorandum is to announce the holiday schedule III Armored Corps and Fort Cavazos will observe for FY26.

3. III Armored Corps will observe the following public and training holidays during FY26:

a. Public holidays to be observed:

13 October 2025 (Monday), Columbus Day

11 November 2025 (Tuesday), Veterans Day

27 November 2025 (Thursday), Thanksgiving Day

25 December 2025 (Thursday), Christmas Day

01 January 2026 (Thursday), New Year's Day

19 January 2026 (Monday), Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

16 February 2026 (Monday), Presidents' Day

25 May 2026 (Monday), Memorial Day

19 June 2026 (Friday), Juneteenth National Independence Day

03 July 2026 (Friday), Independence Day

07 September 2026 (Monday), Labor Day

b. Training holidays:

10 October 2025, (Friday before Columbus Day)
10 November 2025, (Monday before Veterans Day)
28 November 2025, (Friday after Thanksgiving Day)
26 December 2025, (Friday after Christmas Day)
02 January 2026, (Friday after New Year's Day)

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16 January 2026, (Friday before Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day)
13 February 2026, (Friday before Presidents' Day)
22 May 2026, (Friday before Memorial Day)
22 June 2026, (Monday after Juneteenth National Independence Day)
06 July 2026, (Monday after Independence Day)
04 September 2026, (Friday before Labor Day)

c. Fort Cavazos will also observe the following training holidays during FY26:

20 March 2026, (Spring holiday) 03 April 2026, (Good Friday) 06 April 2026, (Monday after Easter) 07 August 2026, (Friday before start of school)

d. Commanders should avoid scheduling training over holiday periods unless mission requirements make it unavoidable. If holiday training is necessary, commanders should take opportunities to provide appropriate compensatory time. In accordance with training management systems, any holiday training should be identified well in advance, briefed during Quarterly/Semi-Annual Training Briefs, and approved by a brigade-level commander or above.

e. Consistent with mission and operational requirements, the days in subparagraph 3b and 3c above are training holidays for military personnel. Civilian personnel may, at their request, be granted annual leave, compensatory time, or leave without pay for an absence. Maximum use of leave is encouraged.

f. The Christmas/New Year holiday period for Fort Cavazos is 20 December 2025 through 04 January 2026. Traditionally, there is minimal staffing during the Christmas/New Year holiday period. In-person accountability will be at 0630 and PT will be conducted throughout the holiday period for those working half-days and for those not on leave. Half-day release time is scheduled for 1200 daily, pending assigned task completion.

g. Senior Mission Commanders on III Armored Corps installations are free to establish the Christmas/New Year holiday period and training holidays consistent with local school calendars—Christmas/New Year's Day, Spring Break/Easter observances.

h. III Armored Corps subordinate commands provide Soldiers with school-aged children the opportunity to take leave during the local school Spring Break, unless mission readiness or deployment requirements prevent it. AFZF-CG

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i. The III Armored Corps Headquarters must continue to operate throughout the summer period, thus making dedicated block leave challenging. The headquarters will, however, establish internal leave periods to provide the staff predictability and available time and opportunity for leave. Commanders at all levels will provide Soldiers the opportunity to take leave during the summer.

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## III ARMORED CORPS FY26 HOLIDAY OBSERVANCES



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7 – Training Holiday 12– Start of School (presumed)

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4- Training Holiday 7– Labor Day

\*\*Senior Commanders are free to establish the Christmas/New Year's holiday period and training holidays in MAR-APR 2026 consistent with local school calendars.