

Happy Juneteenth!



[Juneteenth was officially signed a federal holiday by President Joe Biden in 2021.](#) The holiday has been celebrated since 1865 and originated in Galveston, Texas.

June 19 is a day that celebrates the end of slavery and the freedom of enslaved Black Americans in Galveston, Texas two months after Robert E. Lee surrendered and almost two and a half years after President Abraham Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation in 1863. It is the country's oldest national celebration commemorating the end of slavery.

The goal of Juneteenth is to celebrate Black lives, amplify Black voices, and showcase the resilience of Black people.

Click the video below or [here](#) to learn more.



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