

# **Social Media Toolkit**

# What's National DNA Day?

National DNA Day commemorates the successful completion of the Human Genome Project in 2003 and the discovery of DNA's double helix by James Watson and Francis Crick in 1953. This annual celebration offers students, teachers and the public many exciting opportunities to learn about the latest advances in genomic research and explore how those advances might impact their lives.



#### We're Better Together The Importance of Social Media

- Harness the power of Facebook, Twitter, YouTube and other social tools to reach students, teachers, parents and others.
- Map out a schedule of postings, tweets and videos to help build excitement in your communities.
- Use hashtag #DNADay19 to spread the word about your events and activities.

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 Create online partnerships by hosting contests, Twitter chats and other competitions. Start now!!

# Follow #DNADay19

- Like us on Facebook: <u>facebook.com/</u> <u>dnaday</u>
- Follow us on Twitter <u>@DNADay</u>
- Use #DNADay19 to keep the conversation moving



### **Suggested Tweets**

Build excitement in the days leading up to your events and celebrations by posting some of these tweets:

- 1. April 25 is National DNA Day celebrating the completion of the Human Genome Project and the discovery of the double helix #DNADay19
- 2. April 25 is #DNADay19, how will you celebrate?
- 3. National DNA Day celebrates genomics, be part of the celebration! #DNADay19
- 4. How are you celebrating #DNADay19? Join @DNADay!
- 5. Genomics is improving our lives, Happy National DNA Day! #DNADay19
- April 25: Join the Celebration and be a part of #DNADay19
  @DNADay



## **Suggested Facebook Posts**

Use these sample Facebook posts for #DNADay19:

- #DNADay19 celebrates the power of genetics and genomics. Visit <u>http://bit.ly/natdnaday</u> to see what activities are happening near you!!
- Save the date: #DNADay19 is April 25. Be part of the celebration by joining an event near you or by creating your own event. Check out <u>http://bit.ly/natdnaday</u> to find out how.
- 3. #DNADay19 is for everyone, everywhere. Find out how you can celebrate at <a href="http://bit.ly/natdnaday">http://bit.ly/natdnaday</a>.
- 4. Join the nationwide #DNADay19 celebration—visit <u>http://bit.ly/natdnaday</u>
- 5. Tell us how YOU are celebrating #DNADay19. Shoot a video or photo of your #DNADay19 activities and share it on Facebook or Twitter.
- 6. It's never too late to join the #DNADay19 celebration! Take a #DNADayselfie, and share it on Facebook or Twitter.

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## **Sample Posting Schedule**

#### **April 2019**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 FB: #2 TW: #1	2	3 FB: #1 TW: #2	4	5	6
7	8	9 FB: #2 TW: #5	10	11	12 FB: #4 TW: #3	13
14	15 FB: #5 TW: #4	16	17 FB: #1 TW: #6	18	19 FB: #6 TW: #1	20
21	22	23 FB: #3 TW: #4	24 FB: #3 TW: #6	25 FB: #4 TW: #5	26	27
28	29	30				

Key: TW-Twitter FB- Facebook



#### **Questions or Ideas?**

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