

# STATE of WISCONSIN



## OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

# Proclamation

*WHEREAS*; dyslexia is a learning disability characterized by difficulties related to reading, writing, spelling, and otherwise processing written language; and

*WHEREAS*; considered to be the most common form of learning disability, with a spectrum of symptoms and severity, it is estimated that dyslexia may affect up to 20 percent of people, including many individuals in Wisconsin; and

*WHEREAS*; early signs of dyslexia in children often include difficulties with spelling, learning the names of letters, differentiating between letters, rhyming, sounding out new words, associating sounds with letters, learning how sounds go together, or a reluctance to read aloud; and

*WHEREAS*; dyslexia is a lifelong condition, and while the exact cause is unknown, it can be substantially remediated with early diagnosis, effective therapy, and assistive technology training; and

*WHEREAS*; dyslexia is not reflective of a person's intelligence, creativity, or academic potential, and it is essential to raise awareness of dyslexia and its signs and symptoms to better equip students, parents, and educators to address its challenges in school and at home; and

*WHEREAS*; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins individuals with dyslexia and their families, along with dedicated advocates and organizations across the state, in spreading awareness of dyslexia and encouraging effective, evidence-based services to support affected individuals;

*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim October 2026 as

## DYSLEXIA AWARENESS MONTH

throughout the State of Wisconsin, and I commend this observance  
to all our state's residents.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have  
hereunto set my hand and caused the  
Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin  
to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in  
the City of Madison this 21st day  
of September 2026.

Handwritten signature of Tony Evers in black ink.

TONY EVERS  
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

Handwritten signature of Sarah Godlewski in blue ink.  
SARAH GODLEWSKI  
Secretary of State