

WHEREAS; since it was first observed in 1921, American Education Week has presented communities nationwide with the opportunity to celebrate public education in our country and honor the tireless efforts of educators, staff, researchers, advocates, and volunteers in the education field; and

WHEREAS; education has facilitated some of the greatest advancements humankind has ever known, and continues to provide a foundation for our nation's democracy, informing individual autonomy as well as an engaged and informed citizenry; and

WHEREAS; currently, there are over 100,000 educators, staff, and administrators dedicated to making a difference in the lives of generations of Wisconsin's kids each and every day, including the more than 814,000 students presently enrolled in public schools across our state; and

WHEREAS; what is best for our kids is what is best for our state, which means ensuring that every kid in Wisconsin has access to a high-quality public education that enables them to achieve their full potential, regardless of age, identity, economic status, or ZIP code; and

WHEREAS; in partnership with the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI), the state of Wisconsin reaffirms its commitment to building an education infrastructure that works for every student and to expanding practices that adapt to the needs of students, educators, and administrators in every corner of our state; and

WHEREAS; we commend the resourcefulness and resilience of all educators, students, and families who have adapted under the extraordinary circumstances of the COVID-19 pandemic, and who remain committed to facilitating learning environments that are both as engaging and safe as possible; and

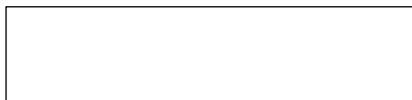
WHEREAS; this week, as we celebrate the 100th American Education Week, the state of Wisconsin joins DPI, along with dedicated individuals, organizations, and advocates across our state, in working to expand access to high-quality public education and in honoring all those whose work inspires, empowers, and supports Wisconsin's students;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim November 15 through 19, 2021, as

AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK

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 29th day of October 2021.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE, Secretary of State