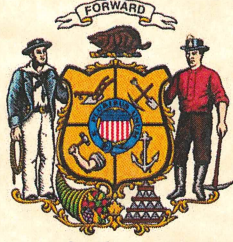


STATE of WISCONSIN



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Proclamation

WHEREAS; as kids across the State of Wisconsin prepare for the start of another school year, many of them will begin their studies with undiagnosed and untreated vision problems; and

WHEREAS; research shows that vision disorders are highly common among children, and as many as one in four school-age children have vision problems according to the College of Optometrists and Vision Development; and

WHEREAS; some of the most common vision disorders among children include nearsightedness, farsightedness, astigmatism, and amblyopia; and

WHEREAS; according to the American Optometric Association, nearly 80% of learning occurs through visual activities, and undiagnosed vision problems have the potential to significantly impede the learning process; and

WHEREAS; every kid deserves the opportunity to learn and to achieve their full potential; and

WHEREAS; it is important to be able to identify common symptoms of vision disorders – like frequent headaches, continuous squinting, blinking and rubbing of the eyes, and feeling dizzy or nauseous – as kids don't often realize they are experiencing vision issues; and

WHEREAS; raising public awareness about learning-related vision problems is necessary to ensure that young people receive the prompt vision treatment they need to enhance their lives;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,
do hereby proclaim August 2019 as

CHILDREN'S VISION & LEARNING MONTH

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all our citizens.



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 17th day of July 2019.

Tony Evers
TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

Douglas La Follette
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State