



Proclamation

WHEREAS, all children and youth learn best when they are healthy, supported, and receive an education that enables them to strive, grow, and achieve academically, socially, and emotionally; and,

WHEREAS, schools can more effectively ensure all students are able to learn when they meet the needs of the whole child and provide integrated, multi-tiered support; and,

WHEREAS, children's mental health is directly linked to their learning and development; and the learning environment provides an optimal context to promote good mental health; and,

WHEREAS, sound psychological principles are integrated to instruction and learning, social and emotional development, prevention and early intervention, and safety, as well as supporting culturally diverse student populations; and,

WHEREAS, school psychologists are specially trained to deliver a continuum of mental health services and academic supports that lower barriers to teaching and learning; and,

WHEREAS, school psychologists help children thrive by nurturing their individual strengths across both personal and academic endeavors; and,

WHEREAS, school psychologists are trained to assess students and school-based barriers to learning, utilize data-based decision making, implement research-driven prevention and intervention strategies, evaluate outcomes, and improve accountability; and,

WHEREAS, it is important that the residents of the State of Illinois recognize the vital role that school psychologists play in the personal and academic development of our children;

THEREFORE, I, JB Pritzker, Governor of the State of Illinois, do hereby proclaim November 6-10, 2023, as National School Psychology Week in Illinois.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Illinois to be affixed.

*Done at the Capitol in the City of Springfield,
this FIRST day of OCTOBER, in
the Year of Our Lord, two thousand and
TWENTY-THREE, and of the State of Illinois,
two hundred and FIFTH.*



Alexi Beaumont
SECRETARY OF STATE

JB Pritzker
GOVERNOR