

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

PROCLAMATION

ADULT EDUCATION AND FAMILY LITERACY WEEK SEPTEMBER 14-18, 2026

WHEREAS, thousands of North Dakotans lack basic reading, writing, math and language skills, hindering their ability to succeed in post-secondary education and the state's workforce; and

WHEREAS, North Dakota is facing a critical workforce gap with more than 12,600 positions unfilled and available in the state; and

WHEREAS, adult education programs in North Dakota offer low-cost, high-value education alternatives across the state to help citizens achieve the basic skills to become workforce ready, prepare for post-secondary education or increase their English literacy; and

WHEREAS, adult education programs in North Dakota's high schools, adult learning centers and community colleges provide a second opportunity for learners to improve their lives and become more productive citizens and workers; and

WHEREAS, North Dakota celebrates Adult Education and Family Literacy Week as a proud participant in the national Educate & Elevate Campaign, which helps our citizens learn about all of their adult education options to attain their professional and personal goals.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim
September 14-18, 2026, **ADULT EDUCATION AND FAMILY LITERACY WEEK** in the
State of North Dakota.




Kelly Armstrong
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:


Michael Howe
SECRETARY OF STATE