STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

PROCLAMATION

SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY WEEK 2026
NOVEMBER 9-13, 2026

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

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

WHEREAS, children's mental health is directly linked to their learning and development, and they benefit when the learning environment provides an optimal context to promote good mental health through connectedness within the school and community; and

WHEREAS, sound psychological principles are integral to instruction and learning, school safety, social and emotional development, prevention, early intervention and support of all students; and

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

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

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

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim NOVEMBER 9-13, 2026, SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY WEEK 2026 in the State of North Dakota.

Kelly Armstrong
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:
Michael Howe
SECRETARY OF STATE