

# STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

## PROCLAMATION

### STUDENT INTERNET SAFETY WEEK

JANUARY 5-9, 2026

WHEREAS, students in North Dakota are increasingly engaged in online learning, communication and social media, making digital literacy and internet safety vital to their well-being; and

WHEREAS, safe and responsible use of technology helps protect young people from online exploitation, cyberbullying, identity theft and exposure to harmful content; and

WHEREAS, North Dakota's schools, from rural districts to urban classrooms, increasingly rely on digital tools to connect students to learning opportunities, while the rapid expansion of new technologies, including artificial intelligence, requires that students, parents and educators be prepared to navigate both the opportunities and risks of these tools responsibly; and

WHEREAS, parents, educators and communities share the responsibility to promote digital citizenship and provide guidance on the safe use of cell phones, apps, artificial intelligence and other emerging technologies; and

WHEREAS, Student Internet Safety Awareness Week provides an opportunity for schools and families to raise awareness, share resources and teach safe practices for online activity.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim  
January 5-9, 2026, **STUDENT INTERNET SAFETY WEEK** in the State of North Dakota.



  
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Kelly Armstrong  
GOVERNOR

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SECRETARY OF STATE