



State of  
**North Dakota**  
*Office of the Governor*

Doug Burgum  
*Governor*

PROCLAMATION  
**NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK**  
NOVEMBER 13-19, 2017  
**REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP AWARENESS MONTH**  
NOVEMBER 2017

**WHEREAS**, in 2017, the North Dakota State College of Science, Division for Workforce Affairs, Apprenticeship-ND Program, recognizes The National Apprenticeship Act (also known as the Fitzgerald Act of 1937) as the first federally established standards and regulations for Registered Apprenticeships; and

**WHEREAS**, to date, NDSCS Apprenticeship-ND is the only North Dakota University System campus recognized and approved by the United States Department of Labor Office of Apprenticeship to be a provider of related instruction hours to registered apprentices; and

**WHEREAS**, apprentices in advanced standing, and who have met the DOL standards, are eligible to enroll for credit in the NDSCS Journeywork Track to earn an associate in applied science degree by combining their previous apprenticeship training with college credits; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2018, the NDSCS Apprenticeship-ND Program will celebrate its 50th anniversary of serving related instruction to registered apprentices; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2017 Apprenticeship-ND provided over 50,000 hours of related instruction hours to registered apprentices who will gain post-secondary education, while completing on-the-job training, benefiting employers, the economy, the apprentices and stakeholders; and

**WHEREAS**, NDSCS Apprenticeship-ND recognizes apprenticeship programs are key for state and local workforce systems along with career pathway strategies. For awareness and growth, this is an invitation to business and industry, education, career seekers, communities and government to join with us and recognize National Apprenticeship Week; and

**WHEREAS**, NDSCS Division for Workforce Affairs, Apprenticeship-ND will continue to industriously work to enhance apprenticeship offerings. Apprenticeship-ND will promote partnerships beginning in the K-12 educational system to gain awareness for the career pathway strategies with potential apprentices, business and industry.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim November 13-19, 2017, **NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK**, and November 2017, **REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP AWARENESS MONTH** in the State of North Dakota.

  
Doug Burgum  
Governor

ATTEST:

  
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