

## PRINCIPALS MONTH OCTOBER 2023

WHEREAS, principals are educational visionaries, instructional and assessment leaders, disciplinarians and motivators, community builders, public relations experts, budget analysts, facilities managers, special programs administrators and guardians of various legal, contractual obligations; and

WHEREAS, principals set the academic tone for their schools and work collaboratively with teachers to develop and maintain high curriculum standards, develop mission statements and set performance goals and objectives; and

WHEREAS, the vision, dedication and determination of a principal provides the mobilizing force behind any school reform effort; and

WHEREAS, leadership is second only to classroom instruction among all school-related factors that contribute to what students learn at school; and

WHEREAS, the National Association of Secondary School Principals and the National Association of Elementary School Principals, the North Dakota Association of Secondary School Principals and the North Dakota Elementary School Principals have declared October National Principals Month; and

WHEREAS, Principals Month honors elementary, middle level and high school principals and assistant principals and recognizes the importance of school leadership in ensuring that every child has access to high-quality education.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim October 2023, PRINCIPALS MONTH in the State of North Dakota.



Doug Burgum

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Michael Howe SECRETARY OF STATE