

WHEREAS, school principals play an integral role in nurturing a positive, student-centered culture in elementary, middle, and high schools across the State of Illinois; and,

WHEREAS, school principals are responsible for attracting and retaining the best teachers and support staff to ensure that each child receives equitable educational opportunities and services to reach their potential; and,

WHEREAS, it is the primary responsibility of the State of Illinois to provide adequate and equitable resources for schools so that all students have access to a quality education and foundation for a successful future; and,

WHEREAS, the Illinois Principals Association, which represents over 6,900 educational leaders statewide, believes that educators' experiences and voices are essential to crafting effective education policy; and,

WHEREAS, the Illinois Principals Association is committed to developing, supporting, and advocating for innovative educational leaders through high-quality professional development, networking opportunities, and legislative advocacy; and,

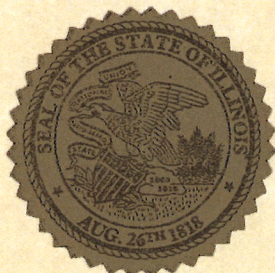
WHEREAS, school leaders face many obstacles in supporting and educating our young people, and it is through their perseverance, passion, and hope-filled leadership that Illinois continues to produce quality, career-ready students; and,

WHEREAS, we must continue to encourage, support, and recognize our school principals who have a positive impact on Illinois students and the educational system in the Land of Lincoln;

THEREFORE, I, JB Pritzker, Governor of the State of Illinois, do hereby proclaim October 19-25, 2025, as **Principals Week** and October 24, 2025, as **Principals Day** in Illinois, to recognize principals and the Illinois Principals Association for all that they do to help our children learn and succeed.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Illinois to be affixed.

Done at the Capitol in the City of Springfield,
this TWENTY-SIXTH *day of* SEPTEMBER, *in*
the Year of Our Lord, two thousand and
TWENTY-FIVE, *and of the State of Illinois,*
two hundred and SIXTH.



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SECRETARY OF STATE

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