

STATE OF ILLINOIS

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

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 6,600 educational leaders statewide, believes that educators' experiences and voices are essential to crafting effective education policy; 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 the week of October 20-26, 2024, as Principals Week and Friday, October 25, 2024, 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 _____ ^{NINTH} *day of* _____ ^{SEPTEMBER} *, in*
the Year of Our Lord, two thousand and
_____ ^{TWENTY-FOUR} *, and of the State of Illinois,*
two hundred and _____ ^{FIFTH} *.*