

STATE *of* WISCONSIN  
DEPARTMENT *of* PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

# *Proclamation*

*Whereas*, school libraries are integral to a quality educational program; and

*Whereas*, school libraries provide equitable access to current and accurate information, such as books and digital resources, to expand literacy and inquiry within and beyond the school; and

*Whereas*, licensed school librarians play a vital role in the teaching and learning process through their work with both students and other teachers; and

*Whereas*, school libraries provide learning activities designed to enhance reading motivation, promote competencies in new and developing technologies, and establish the information literacy skills necessary for lifelong learning; and

*Whereas*, school librarians hold the unique responsibility of encouraging our young citizens to both seek and receive information from all points of view;

*Therefore*, be it resolved that, I, Jill K. Underly, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, declare April 2022 as School Library Month to recognize school libraries and the valuable role of school librarians in the education of our youth throughout the state of Wisconsin.

## **School Library Month**

*School Libraries Transform Learning*

April 2022



A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jill Underly".

Jill K. Underly, PhD, State Superintendent