



# Proclamation

BY THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

## DPI Public Schools Week 2024

WHEREAS: We are proud that Wisconsin's public schools are for everyone, and ensure that everyone – especially our most vulnerable kids – get what they need; Public schools are where every kid is welcomed and affirmed, and where every student is ready to learn and achieve their own success; and

WHEREAS: Recognized annually, We Love Our Public Schools Week is a time to celebrate our public schools, honor all those who work in our public schools, and promote the principle that public education is a pillar of our democracy and vital for our future; and

WHEREAS: Attacks on educators, and politicizing our daily work in schools and libraries, is not what is best for kids. Classrooms and libraries are not meant to be battlefields, and attacks – even verbal attacks, and especially legislative attacks- are unacceptable when, at root, we are talking about kids; and

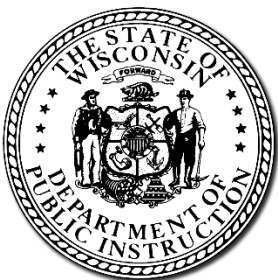
WHEREAS: The need for quality public education is a nonpartisan issue as public education is delineated as a right in Wisconsin under Article X, Section 3 of our state's constitution, and our public education system requires the support and investment of our state and local elected officials to provide ample funding and foster strong educational outcomes for all students; and

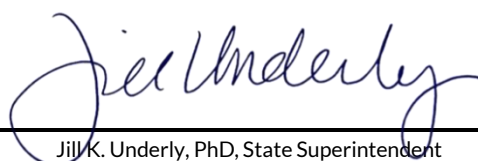
WHEREAS: "What is best for kids?" is the question that guides our collective future as a state and strengthens our democracy; and

WHEREAS: This week, the state of Wisconsin joins all Wisconsinites in honoring and celebrating the wellbeing, resourcefulness, success, and achievements of students and educators in public schools across our state.

THEREFORE: I, Jill K. Underly, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, do hereby proclaim in the state of Wisconsin,

**We Love Our Public Schools Week**  
**February 26 – March 1, 2024**





Jill K. Underly, PhD, State Superintendent

