



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, each student deserves to be challenged academically, exposed to a comprehensive education that promotes critical thinking and creativity and prepared for higher education, meaningful employment in our global economy and lifelong success; and

WHEREAS, every student deserves to be supported by qualified, caring adults and have access to personalized learning opportunities; and

WHEREAS, every student deserves to learn about and practice a healthy lifestyle in an environment that is physically and emotionally safe; and

WHEREAS, every student deserves the opportunity to be actively engaged in, and connected to, school and the broader community; and

WHEREAS, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, most youth in the United States do not get the recommended amount of daily physical activity, and students who lack the food and resources for healthy living are less likely to be attentive in school and have higher absenteeism rates, which can lead to lower academic performance; and

WHEREAS, local, state, and national organizations that provide coordinated education, health, and social services to children and youth in Alabama recognize a whole-child approach that decreases truancy and disruptive behaviors and improves academic performance and students well-being;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim January 2021, as

Whole Child Month

in the state of Alabama.



Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the Office of the Governor at the State Capitol in the City of Montgomery on the 1st day of January 2022.

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor