



# Proclamation

## By the Governor of Alabama

*WHEREAS, parent leadership is an essential and effective means of strengthening families; and*

*WHEREAS, meaningful parent leadership occurs when parents gain the knowledge and skills necessary to function in meaningful leadership roles and present a "parent voice" to help shape the direction of their families, programs and communities; and*

*WHEREAS, the Alabama Partnership for Children recognizes the vital importance of partnering with parents and assists public systems and private organizations, policymakers and other key stakeholders to effectively implement parent leadership strategies; and*

*WHEREAS, parent leadership is a necessary component in any effective, family strengthening and family support program; and*

*WHEREAS, parent leadership is successfully achieved when parents receive support and training and share responsibility, expertise and leadership in the planning, implementation, oversight and evaluation of policies, practices and programs that affect families and communities; and*

*WHEREAS, more parents each year are developing vital partnerships with service providers, policymakers and key stakeholders to shape policy and practice and build stronger, safer communities for children; and*

*WHEREAS, the Alabama Partnership for Children established the state's Parent Leadership Network to help strengthen and enhance parent leadership in programs and policies that promote strong families; and*

*WHEREAS, the Alabama Partnership for Children continues to promote parent leadership in its programs and policies that benefit families throughout the state, along with supporting public awareness, education and training within such programs; and*

*WHEREAS, National Parent Leadership Month recognizes, honors and celebrates parents for the vital leadership roles in their homes and communities and in local, state, national and international arenas:*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim February 2026, as*

# Parent Leadership 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 23<sup>rd</sup> day of February 2026.*

*Kay Ivey*  
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Kay Ivey, Governor