



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, in collaboration with the Alabama Postsecondary Alliance for Intellectual Disability, the Think College National Coordinating Center and its Inclusive Higher Education Network, May 1, 2026, is designated as Inclusive Postsecondary Education (IPSE) Day; and

WHEREAS, it is recognized that colleges serve as inclusive environments where students with and without intellectual disabilities can pursue their education together; and

WHEREAS, among the 5,300 colleges and universities across the United States, just over 300 offer specialized options catering to students with intellectual disabilities; and

WHEREAS, Alabama proudly boasts seven inclusive postsecondary education programs, or programs serving students with intellectual disabilities on college campuses, within its universities and community college systems; and

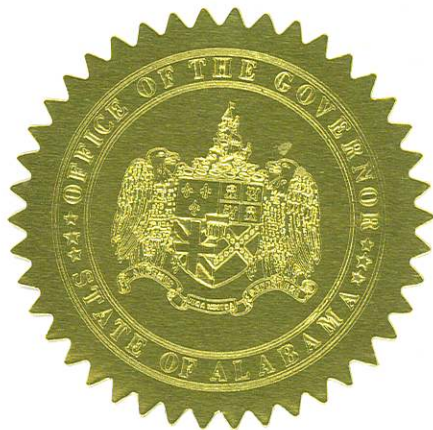
WHEREAS, access to postsecondary education and training is crucial in preparing individuals with disabilities for meaningful participation in the workforce; and

WHEREAS, the state of Alabama encourages students, families, educators and communities to unite with universities, colleges and communities across the state and nation in celebrating Inclusive Postsecondary Education Day:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim May 1, 2026, as

Inclusive Postsecondary Education Day

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 16th day of April 2026.*

Kay Ivey

Kay Ivey, Governor