

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, the education of South Dakota children is a priority that promises a prosperous future; and,

Whereas, South Dakota teachers are committed to the education of children in their care; and,

Whereas, teachers are at the forefront of the effort to prepare South Dakota students to graduate from the K-12 system ready for college, career, and life; and,

Whereas, highly qualified teachers are trained professionals deserving of the utmost respect for the work they do, which often extends well beyond the regular school day, week, and year; and,

Whereas, communities throughout the state rely on the dedication and professionalism of teachers to guide students in their academic and character development; and,

Whereas, our state validates the conviction that the position of "teacher" is one of high esteem in any healthy community:

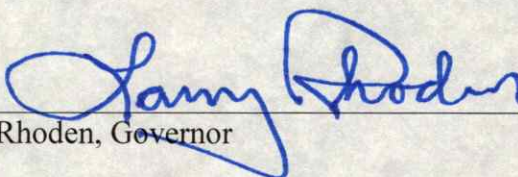
Now, Therefore, I, Larry Rhoden, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the week of May 5, 2025, as

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

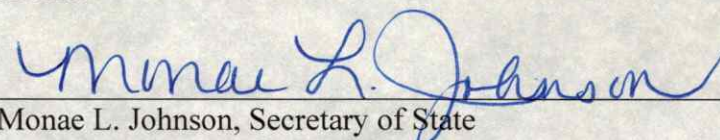
in South Dakota, and I encourage school leaders, parents, students, and communities to take time to thank teachers who have made an impact in their lives and the lives of their children.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Seventeenth Day of April in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Five.


Larry Rhoden, Governor

Attest:


Monae L. Johnson, Secretary of State