Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota Office of the Governor

Whereas, Farm to School provides children access to fresh, local, nutrient-rich food; and,

Whereas, Farm to School provides hands-on learning, farm visits, and an understanding of where food comes from; and,

Whereas, Farm to School provides financial opportunity for producers, ranchers, and their communities; and,

Whereas, Farm to School integrates food, agriculture, and nutrition education into the classroom, and helps children make lifelong healthy choices; and,

Whereas, Farm to School fosters relationships between schools, families, and local food systems, and encourages community engagement; and,

Whereas, Farm to School builds strong local food networks, and helps communities become less reliant on distant supply chains; and,

Whereas, it is important to raise awareness for and support the farm to school movement:

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

FARM TO SCHOOL MONTH

in South Dakota.



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 Tenth Day of October in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Five.

Larry Rhoden, Governor

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Attest:

Monae L. Johnson, Secretary of State