

STATE OF ILLINOIS

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

WHEREAS, school principals play an integral role in the education and growth of children in elementary, middle, and secondary schools across the State of Illinois; and,

WHEREAS, school principals are responsible for promoting education and building relationships with teachers and parents to ensure that each child receives equitable educational opportunities and services to reach their potential; and,

WHEREAS, a primary responsibility of the State of Illinois to preserve and improve resources for schools so that all students have access to quality education and a foundation for a successful future; and,

WHEREAS, the Illinois Principals Association, which represents over 6,200 educational leaders statewide, believes that learning is a lifelong process and that the education of our children is the highest priority; and,

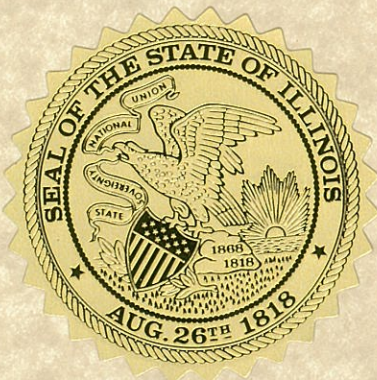
WHEREAS, school leaders face many obstacles in supporting and educating our young people and it is through their perseverance, passion, and hope-filled leadership that Illinois continues to produce quality, career-ready students; and,

WHEREAS, we must continue to encourage, support, and recognize our school principals who have a positive impact on Illinois students and the educational system in the Land of Lincoln;

*THEREFORE, I, JB Pritzker, Governor of the State of Illinois, do hereby proclaim the week of October 15-21, 2023, as **Principals Week** and Friday, October 20, 2023, as **Principals Day** in Illinois, to recognize principals and the Illinois Principals Association for all that they do to help our children learn and succeed.*

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Illinois to be affixed.

Done at the Capitol in the City of Springfield,
this EIGHTH *day of* SEPTEMBER , *in*
the Year of Our Lord, two thousand and
 TWENTY-THREE , *and of the State of Illinois,*
two hundred and FIFTH .



Alexi Giannouh
SECRETARY OF STATE

JB Pritzker
GOVERNOR