



State of New York

Executive Chamber

Proclamation

Whereas, the National Association of Elementary School Principals and the National Association of Secondary School Principals have declared the month of October 2023 to be “National Principals Month;” we are proud to be home to the statewide affiliate of these organizations, the School Administrators Association of New York State, and join to honor its membership of school leaders – the principals, assistant principals, directors, and coordinators who contribute to the foundation of excellence in education for our state’s students; and

Whereas, we appreciate the steady leadership of school principals, as well as the support of building administrators, program directors, and other staff who help ensure the safety and physical, mental, and emotional well-being of students in these challenging times; and

Whereas, school principals serve a multitude of roles – as educational visionaries, instructional and assessment leaders, community builders, spokespersons, budget analysts, facility managers, special programs administrators, and implementation experts, and use such skills for the betterment of the students in their charge; and

Whereas, school principals work collaboratively with teachers and parents to develop and implement a clear mission, high curriculum standards, and performance goals; and

Whereas, our principals help to create safe and healthy school environments that facilitate exceptional teaching and learning, and continuous school improvement; and

Whereas, this year, the School Administrators Association of New York State celebrates its 50th anniversary as a voice of advocacy and support for the dedicated school leaders who are a driving force behind the success of New York State’s public schools, and we congratulate the entire association membership on marking this milestone in its history; and

Whereas, the celebration of Principals Month honors elementary school, middle school, and high school principals, and recognizes the important role principals play in ensuring that every child has access to a high-quality education; as New Yorkers, we value their leadership in our communities and their exemplary contributions to their profession;

Now, Therefore, I, Kathy Hochul, Governor of New York State, do hereby proclaim October 2023 as

PRINCIPALS MONTH

in the Empire State.



G i v e n under my hand and the Privy Seal of the State
at the Capitol in the City of Albany on this third day
of October in the year two thousand twenty-three.

Kathy Hochul
Governor

Karen Persichilli Keogh
Secretary to the Governor
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