

The State of Washington



Proclamation

WHEREAS, principals and assistant principals create hope for each and every student in their buildings by leading culture, systems and learning, and by working tirelessly each day as visionaries, community builders, public relations experts, budget analysts, facility managers, special programs administrators and guardians of various legal, contractual and policy mandates and initiatives; and

WHEREAS, principals and assistant principals work collaboratively with families, teachers and district officials to develop mission statements, set performance goals and objectives for schools to achieve educational excellence, provide safe and caring learning environments, and maintain high curriculum standards and expectations for all students; and

WHEREAS, Washington state, along with the Association of Washington School Principals, honors exemplary principals and assistant principals who have succeeded in providing high-quality learning opportunities for students, as well as their exemplary contributions to the profession; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Senate has declared the month of October 2025 as "National Principals Month" in coordination with the efforts of the National Association of Elementary School Principals and the National Association of Secondary School Principals working with the U.S. Congress to designate "National Principals Month" and resolutions thereof; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the contribution of all school principals and assistant principals to the success of Washington students, our most valuable resource, and encourage residents of Washington to observe "Principals Month" with appropriate ceremonies and activities that promote awareness of the importance of school leadership in ensuring that every child has access to a high-quality education;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Ferguson, governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim October 2025 as

Principals Month

in Washington, and I urge all people in our state to honor the service of all elementary, middle level and high school principals and assistant principals.



Signed this 24th day of September, 2025

Bob Ferguson
Governor Bob Ferguson