



# PROCLAMATION

— Afterschool Professionals Appreciation Week —

April 21-25, 2025

- WHEREAS: The After School Extended Day Program (ASEDP) has designated April 21-25, 2025, as Afterschool Professionals Appreciation Week (i.e. the National AfterSchool Association); and
- WHEREAS: After School Extended Day Program (ASEDP) schools in the DeKalb County Schools District provide students with a clean, safe, and nurturing after school environment; and
- WHEREAS: After School Extended Day Programs (ASEDP) improve student social-emotional skills and academic performance through meaningful experiences, thus improving the quality of their education, engaging students, mitigating risk factors and positively impacts youth outcomes; and
- WHEREAS: After School Extended Day Programs (ASEDP) educators in the DeKalb County School District are dedicated professionals who inspire and encourage students to achieve their school goals and contribute to the overall growth of our community; and
- WHEREAS: Partnerships between After School Extended Day Programs in the DeKalb County School District, local businesses, and local government enhance the quality and relevance of education, ensuring students are prepared to complete their education; and
- WHEREAS: After School Extended Day Programs, Afterschool Professionals Appreciation Week in the DeKalb County School District provides an opportunity to celebrate the achievements and contributions of Afterschool Professionals to raise awareness of the importance of After School Extended Day Programs in preparing wellrounded students.
- THEREFORE: Be it resolved that the DeKalb County School District hereby proclaims April 21-25, 2025, as Afterschool Professionals Appreciation Week and encourages all students, educators, parents, and community members to recognize and support the valuable role of Afterschool Professionals in our schools and community. In official recognition whereof, we hereby affix our signatures this 21st day of April 2025.



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