



# PROCLAMATION

## — PARENT & FAMILY ENGAGEMENT MONTH —

- WHEREAS: Families are their children’s first and most influential teachers, shaping the foundation for lifelong learning, character development, and success, and when parents and families are engaged through being actively involved in their children’s education, students achieve higher grades, attend school more regularly, and are more likely to pursue postsecondary education and career goals; and
- WHEREAS: Meaningful partnerships between families, schools, and communities are essential to fostering academic achievement, promoting positive behavior, and preparing students to become productive citizens; and
- WHEREAS: The DeKalb County School District is committed to ensuring equity in access and opportunity for every student and family, recognizing that inclusive engagement strengthens educational outcomes and builds a culture of belonging and respect and The District reaffirms its dedication to providing equitable opportunities for collaboration, communication, and shared decision-making between families and educators across all schools and communities; and
- WHEREAS: National Family Engagement Month provides an opportunity to celebrate the vital role that parents and families play in the educational success of every student, and to renew our shared responsibility to nurture that success; and
- NOW THEREFORE: BE IT RESOLVED that the DeKalb County School District does hereby proclaim the month of NOVEMBER as PARENT & FAMILY ENGAGEMENT MONTH in DeKalb County; and that NOVEMBER 20th shall be recognized and celebrated as PARENT & FAMILY ENGAGEMENT DAY, encouraging all schools, families, and community partners to participate in activities that strengthen equitable family-school partnerships and support student achievement - ensuring that every student, regardless of background, language, or circumstance, has access to the opportunities and supports needed to reach their fullest potential.



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