

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

Office of the Governor



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, every student in Mississippi should have access to an effective education; and

WHEREAS, citizens across Mississippi agree that continuing to improve the quality of education in our state is an issue of importance to our state's leaders; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi recognizes the critical role that an effective and accountable system of education plays in preparing all children in our state to be successful adults; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi has a multitude of high-quality traditional public schools, public magnet schools, public charter schools and nonpublic schools, as well as families who educate their children in the home; and

WHEREAS, Mississippi has many high-quality, dedicated teaching professionals in all types of education environments; and

WHEREAS, it is important for parents in Mississippi to explore and identify the best education options available to their children; and

WHEREAS, research demonstrates that providing children with multiple education options improves academic performance; and

WHEREAS, School Choice Week is a national celebration recognized by millions of students, parents, educators, schools and community leaders for the purpose of raising public awareness of the importance of effective education options for children:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Phil Bryant, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby recognize January 22-28, 2017, as

School Choice Week

in Mississippi, and I call this observance to the attention of all of our citizens.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

DONE in the City of Jackson, on the 7th day December in the year of our Lord, two thousand and sixteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and forty-first.



PHIL BRYANT
GOVERNOR