

Proclamation

by Governor Patrick Morrisey

- Whereas,** all children in West Virginia should have access to the highest-quality education possible; and
- Whereas,** West Virginia recognizes the important role that an effective education plays in preparing all students in West Virginia to be successful adults; and
- Whereas,** quality education is critically important to the economic vitality of West Virginia; and
- Whereas,** West Virginia is home to a multitude of high-quality public and nonpublic schools from which parents can choose for their children, in addition to families who educate their children in the home; and
- Whereas,** educational variety not only helps to diversify our economy but also enhances the vibrancy of our community; and
- Whereas,** West Virginia has many high-quality teaching professionals in all types of school settings who are committed to educating our children; and
- Whereas,** during the 2023-2024 school year, the Hope Scholarship Program made 5,443 awards to students in nearly every county; and
- Whereas,** during the 2023-2024 school year, a total of 2,270 students are enrolled in public charter schools; and
- Whereas,** on January 14, 2025, Executive Order 2-25 was issued to help ensure that West Virginia had the broadest and most effective school choice program in the nation; and
- Whereas,** *School Choice Week* is celebrated across the country by millions of students, parents, educators, schools, and organizations to raise awareness of the need for effective educational options.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Patrick Morrisey, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *January 26 - February 1, 2025* as:


West Virginia School Choice Week

in the Mountain State and encourage all citizens to join me in observance.

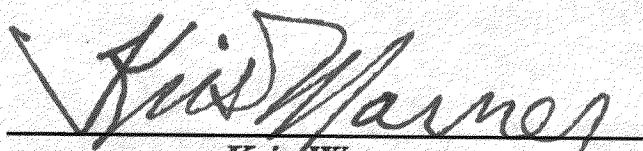
In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of West Virginia to be affixed.

Done at the Capitol, City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this the Twenty-Seventh day of January, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Five, and in the One Hundred Sixty-Second year of the State.




Patrick Morrisey
Governor

By the Governor:


Kris Warner
Secretary of State