

State of South Carolina
Proclamation
by
Governor Jim Hodges

WHEREAS, understanding and awareness of the mental health needs of children is crucial to promoting healthy educational environments which ensure student success; and

WHEREAS, school psychologists consult with parents, teachers and school personnel about substance abuse, emotional and behavioral problems, parenting skills and teaching and learning strategies; and

WHEREAS, psychologists in our schools observe, interview, and test students to check achievement, aptitudes and other skills in order to help students get the specialized assistance they need to ensure their future success as productive members of our communities; and

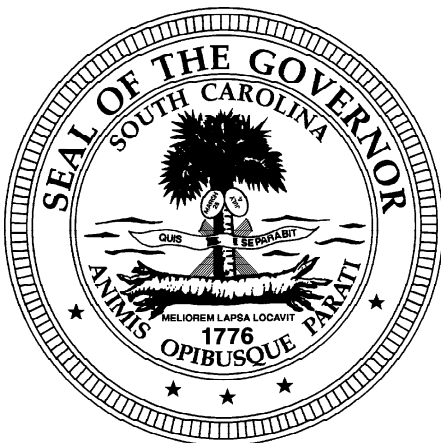
WHEREAS, school psychologists throughout the Palmetto State work closely with teachers, educational diagnosticians, counselors, and administrators to provide the best possible learning experience so our children can develop educationally, socially, and emotionally; and

WHEREAS, the 2001 celebration of "School Psychology Week" provides a unique opportunity for the citizens of South Carolina to recognize the contributions school psychologists make toward the educational, social, and mental development of our children.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jim Hodges, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 23 – 27, 2001, as

SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the positive impact of school psychologists on the quality of our learning environments and on the future success of our children.



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