

State of South Carolina Proclamation

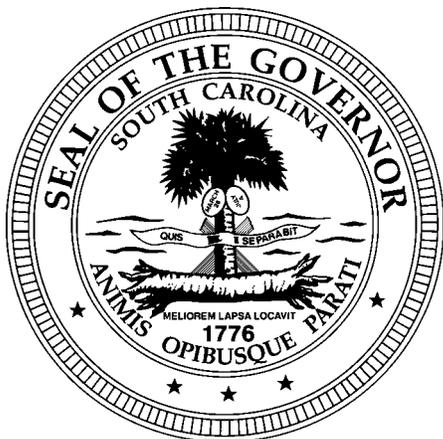
by
Governor Jim Hodges

- WHEREAS,** understanding and awareness of the mental health needs of children is crucial to promoting healthy educational environments that 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 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 2002 celebration of "School Psychology Week" provides a unique opportunity for the citizens of South Carolina to recognize the contributions school psychologists make to the healthy development of our children.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jim Hodges, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 15 – 19, 2002, 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.



A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jim Hodges".

Jim Hodges
Governor
State of South Carolina