

STATE *of* WISCONSIN
DEPARTMENT *of* PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

Proclamation

Whereas, the National Association for Music Education has designated March as Music in Our Schools Month; and

Whereas, music is defined as a core subject in Wisconsin's definition of a well-rounded education and in the Every Student Succeeds Act; and

Whereas, music is part of a comprehensive education that engages students in developmental experiences involving singing, playing instruments, listening, movement, creative expression, and music reading; and

Whereas, music education helps students acquire skills in production and performance of music, as well as an understanding of history and culture; and

Whereas, the knowledge, techniques, and skills gained through a music education support the overall goal of helping all students become college and career ready; and

Whereas, music supports the social and emotional well-being of students, fostering a more positive school environment; and

Whereas, quality school-based music programming involves multiple partners, including school community members, families, arts organizations, and businesses, who support access to music programs for all students;

Therefore, be it resolved that, I, Carolyn Stanford Taylor, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, declare March as Music in Our Schools Month and encourage students, educators, family members, and all community members to celebrate school music and the benefits it brings to all students.

Music in Our Schools Month

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