

STATE *of* WISCONSIN  
DEPARTMENT *of* PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

# *Proclamation*

*Whereas*, the Educational Theatre Association, the International Thespian Society, and the American Alliance for Theatre and Education celebrate Theatre in Our Schools Month; and

*Whereas*, theatre is defined as part of a well-rounded education in the Every Student Succeeds Act; and

*Whereas*, a comprehensive theatre education program engages students in developmental experiences involving both performance and production elements of the art form; and

*Whereas*, theatre education helps students understand and make connections to history and culture; and

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

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

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

*Therefore*, be it resolved that, I, Carolyn Stanford Taylor, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, declare March as Theatre in Our Schools Month and celebrate the impact theatre education has on Wisconsin students.

## **Theatre In Our Schools Month**

*March 2021*