

STATE OF ARKANSAS
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME – GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Every student in Arkansas should have access to an effective education; and

WHEREAS: Citizens across Arkansas agree that continuing to improve the quality of education is an issue of importance to our state's leaders; and

WHEREAS: Arkansas recognizes the essential role that an effective and accountable system of education plays in preparing all children to be successful adults; and

WHEREAS: Arkansas has many different types of public and nonpublic schools, as well as families who educate their children in the home; and

WHEREAS: Arkansas has many high-quality, dedicated teaching professionals in all types of education environments; and

WHEREAS: It is important for parents in Arkansas to explore and identify the best education options available to their children; and

WHEREAS: Research demonstrates that providing children with multiple education options improves academic performance; and

WHEREAS: School Choice Week is a national celebration recognized by millions of students, parents, educators, schools, and community leaders, for the purpose of raising public awareness of the importance of effective education options for children;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ASA HUTCHINSON, Governor of the State of Arkansas, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws of the State of Arkansas, do hereby proclaim January 22nd through January 28th, 2017, as

ARKANSAS SCHOOL CHOICE WEEK

and I call this observance to the attention of all of our citizens.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 13th day of December, in the year of our Lord 2016.



Attest

Mark Martin
Mark Martin, Secretary Of State

Asa Hutchinson, Governor