



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION APPRECIATION DAY

- WHEREAS:** The state of Georgia joins Georgia Child Care Association along with families, communities, and organizations across the nation in celebrating the dedication and impact of early education providers, teachers, and caregivers who nurture and educate Georgia's youngest learners; and
- WHEREAS:** Early childhood educators play a vital role in laying the foundation for lifelong learning, helping children build critical cognitive, social, and emotional skills during the most formative years of brain development—from birth to age five; and
- WHEREAS:** Access to high-quality early care and education is essential for working families, supports children's mental and emotional well-being, and strengthens Georgia's workforce and economy by enabling parents to participate fully in the labor force; and
- WHEREAS:** The state of Georgia is proud to be home to nearly 3,200 licensed early childhood programs, collectively serving more than 300,000 children across diverse communities; and
- WHEREAS:** Early childhood educators are uniquely skilled in fostering early literacy, language development, and school readiness—contributing to better educational outcomes and stronger communities statewide; and
- WHEREAS:** The continued success and future prosperity of the State of Georgia are inextricably linked to the quality of early childhood experiences provided today, and investing in early educators is a direct investment in Georgia's future; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim May 10, 2025, as EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION APPRECIATION DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 15th day of April in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Five.



B. P. Kemp

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Laura M. Curry

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