

THE STATE OF TEXAS

GOVERNOR

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greetings: Know ye that this official recognition is presented to all observing

Adult Education & Family Literacy Week

September 18-23, 2023

Our access to information has never been greater, yet millions of adults lack fundamental reading and writing skills. Reading and writing are essential in the workplace, the home, and public life; as such, illiteracy is a major impediment to personal productivity and fulfillment.

In Texas, however, we know that it is not our challenges that defines us, but rather how we rise above them. To this end, adult education programs across our nation provide remedial assistance, ongoing instruction, and compassionate mentorship so that disadvantaged members of society can unlock the fullness of their God-given potential.

Our society must ensure that every man, woman, and child is equipped with the knowledge necessary to succeed in life. Accordingly, a week is set aside each year in order to shed light on this pressing issue, to galvanize public support for adult education programs, and to encourage young people to stay in school. By working together to improve our state and nation, we will author the greatest chapter yet in the history of our people.

First Lady Cecilia Abbott, herself a longtime educator, joins me in encouraging all Texans to observe Adult Education and Family Literacy Week with befitting ceremonies and activities.



In testimony whereof, I have signed my name and caused the Seal of the State of Texas to be affixed at the City of Austin this the 1st day of September, 2023.

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Greg Abbott Governor of Texas