



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, every student in Tennessee should have access to an effective education; and

WHEREAS, citizens across Tennessee agree that continuing to improve the quality of education is an issue of importance to our state's leaders; and

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

WHEREAS, Tennessee has a multitude of high-quality traditional public schools, public magnet schools, public charter schools, and nonpublic schools, as well as families who educate their children in the home; and

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

WHEREAS, it is important for parents in Tennessee 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;

WHEREAS, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim the week of January 24 through January 30, 2021 as

School Choice Week

in Tennessee and encourage all citizens to join me in this worthy observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the State of Tennessee to be affixed at Nashville on this tenth day of December, 2020.

Bill Lee

Governor

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Secretary of State

