



*State of Missouri*  
*Governor's Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, all children should have access to the highest-quality education possible; and

**WHEREAS**, Missouri recognizes the important role that an effective education plays in preparing all students in Missouri to be successful adults; and

**WHEREAS**, quality education is critically important to the economic vitality of Missouri; and

**WHEREAS**, Missouri is home to a multitude of high quality public and nonpublic schools from which parents can choose for their children, in addition to families who educate their children in the home; and

**WHEREAS**, educational variety not only helps to diversify our economy but also enhances the vibrancy of our community; and

**WHEREAS**, Missouri has many high-quality teaching professionals in all types of school settings who are committed to educating our children; and

**WHEREAS**, School Choice Week is celebrated across the country by millions of students, parents, educators, schools, and organizations to raise awareness of the need for effective educational options.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Michael L. Parson, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim January 21-27, 2024, to be

**SCHOOL CHOICE WEEK**

in Missouri.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, this 14<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2023.



*Michael L. Parson*  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE