



Virginia Board of Education

# RESOLUTION OF RECOGNITION

to Commemorate November 2017 as  
Family Engagement In Education Month

**WHEREAS**, partnerships between families, schools, and communities working collaboratively throughout a child's educational journey results in students of all backgrounds and abilities achieving at higher levels, becoming productive citizens, and contributing to our communities and society as a whole; and

**WHEREAS**, family engagement is an ongoing process that increases active participation, two-way communication, and collaboration between families, schools, and communities with the goal of educating the whole child to ensure student achievement and success; and

**WHEREAS**, the partnerships between families, schools, and communities must be viewed as equal with shared responsibilities, and schools must take the lead in developing and sustaining these collaborative partnerships to ensure maximum effectiveness;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Virginia Board of Education and the Virginia Department of Education recognize November 2017 as Family Engagement In Education Month;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Virginia Board of Education and the Virginia Department of Education strongly encourage local school officials to develop plans and policies to enhance parental engagement in their children's schools, lives, and in the education community.

Adopted in Richmond, Virginia, This Twenty-Sixth Day of October in the Year 2017

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