



Santa Fe Independent School District

Proclamation

National School Psychology Awareness Week

Whereas, All children and youth learn best when they are healthy, supported, and receive an education that enables them to thrive academically, socially, and emotionally; and

Whereas, Schools can more effectively ensure that all students are able to learn when they meet the needs of the whole child and provide integrated, multi-tiered supports; and

Whereas, Children’s mental health is directly linked to their learning and development, and the learning environment provides an optimal context to promote good mental health through connectedness within the school and community; and

Whereas, Sound psychological principles are integral to instruction and learning, social and emotional development, prevention, early intervention and school safety, and supporting culturally diverse student populations; and

Whereas, School psychology has over 60 years of well established, widely recognized and highly effective practice and standards that are clearly articulated in NASP’s *Model for Comprehensive and Integrated School Psychology Services*; and

Whereas, School psychologists are specially trained to foster and deliver, in the school and community, a continuum of mental health services and academic supports that lower barriers to teaching and learning; and

Whereas, School psychologists help children to thrive by nurturing their individual strengths across both personal and academic endeavors; and

Whereas, School psychologists are trained to assess student and school-based barriers to learning as well as individual strengths, utilize data-based decision-making, implement research-driven prevention and intervention strategies, and evaluate outcomes and improve accountability; and

Whereas, Citizens of Santa Fe should recognize the vital role that school psychologists play in the personal and academic development of our children,

Therefore, Santa Fe ISD does hereby proclaim November 7-11, 2022, as School Psychology Week in Santa Fe ISD.

Passed and approved this 17th day of October 2022.

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