



Proclamation

WHEREAS, education support professionals are involved in nearly every aspect of education -- maintaining buildings and grounds; preparing and serving meals; keeping school facilities clean and orderly; assisting in the classroom; performing and conducting research activities; providing information technology and media services, administrative support functions, safe transportation, and a secure and healthy environment; and many other specialized services; and

WHEREAS, these dedicated individuals deserve recognition and thanks for the outstanding work they are doing for this state, their communities, and the students enrolled in Olympia's schools; and

WHEREAS, there are more than 700 education support professionals working with and helping students in the Olympia School District; and

WHEREAS, education support professionals are instrumental in fulfilling the state's responsibility to educate all students; and

WHEREAS, by supporting the learning environment, education support professionals are crucial partners with teachers, parents, administrators and school boards;

NOW THEREFORE, we, the members of the Olympia School Board and the Superintendent, do hereby proclaim the week of March 13-17, 2023, as

Education Support Professionals Week

in the Olympia School District, and I urge all staff and citizens to join me in this special observance. Signed this 23rd day of February, 2023

Darcy Huffman
President, Olympia School Board

Dr. Patrick Murphy
Superintendent, Olympia School District