

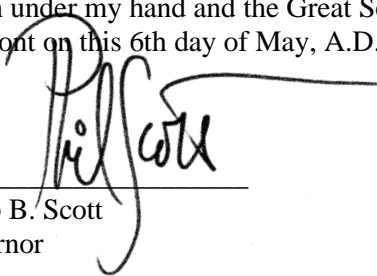
**State of Vermont**  
**Executive Department**  
**A Proclamation**

- WHEREAS,** students are the future and, by investing in them today, we are ensuring our world for tomorrow; and
- WHEREAS,** families deserve to feel confident that their children will be cared for when they are at school; and
- WHEREAS,** all students have a right to have their physical and mental health needs safely met while in the school setting; and
- WHEREAS,** students today face more complex and life-threatening health problems requiring care in school and the COVID-19 pandemic has emphasized the essential role school nurses play in student health and academic success; and
- WHEREAS,** school nurses have served a critical role in improving public health and in ensuring student's academic success for more than 100 years; and
- WHEREAS,** school nurses address the home and community factors (e.g., social determinants) that impact students' health and school nurses act as a liaison to the school community, families, and healthcare providers on behalf of children's health by promoting wellness and improving health outcomes for our nation's children; and
- WHEREAS,** school nurses support the health and educational success of children and youth by providing access to care when children's cognitive development is at its peak; and
- WHEREAS,** school nurses are members of school-based teams (e.g., school health services, 504/ IEP, disaster/emergency planning) to address the school population and school nurses understand the link between health and learning and are in a position to make a positive difference for children every day; and
- WHEREAS,** the National Association of School Nurses celebrates and acknowledges the accomplishments of school nurses everywhere, not just on School Nurse Day, but at every opportunity throughout the year for their efforts of meeting the needs of today's students by improving the delivery of health care in our schools and offers gratitude for the nation's school nurses, who contribute to our local communities by helping students stay healthy, in school, and ready to learn, and keeping parents and guardians at work.

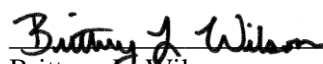
**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim May 12, 2021 as

**SCHOOL NURSE DAY**  
in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 6th day of May, A.D. 2021.

  
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Philip B. Scott  
Governor



  
Brittney O. Wilson  
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs