

**State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation**

WHEREAS, early introduction to musical education has been shown to improve academic performance in students, as well as nurture the social and creative development of students as they progress through primary and secondary education; and

WHEREAS, music is a core academic subject and a vital component of education for people of all ages, as years of research have proven music's intellectual, social, emotional, and physical benefits; and

WHEREAS, the Vermont All State Music Festival is the oldest statewide honor festival in the country; and

WHEREAS, for the first time in history, the festival will be hosted at U-32, and returns to Montpelier for the first time since 1987; and

WHEREAS, Montpelier High School and U-32 High School are co-hosting the 92nd annual Vermont All State Music Festival; and

WHEREAS, nearly 1,000 students auditioned for and more than 400 students will participate in this year's festival, representing school music programs of over 100 music educators.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim May 8-11, 2019 as

ALL STATE MUSIC FESTIVAL WEEK

in Vermont.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 8th day of May, A.D. 2019.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Philip B. Scott', is written over a horizontal line.

Philip B. Scott
Governor

Brittney L. Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs