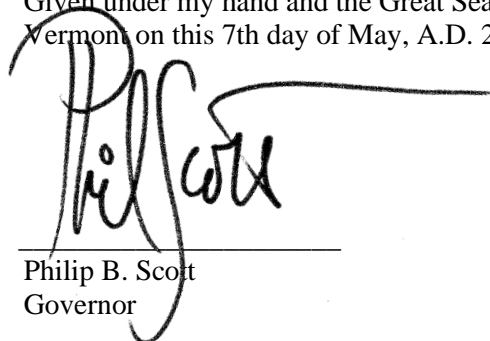


State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation


- 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,** for more than 120 years, school nurses have served a critical role in improving public health and in ensuring each student's academic success; and
- WHEREAS,** school nurses address the home and community factors (e.g. social determinants) that impact students' health; and
- WHEREAS,** school nurses are professional nurses who advance the well-being, academic success, and life-long achievements of all students by serving on the frontlines and providing a critical safety net for our nation's most fragile children; and
- WHEREAS,** school nurses act as liaisons 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) providing care coordination to address the school population; and
- WHEREAS,** school nurses understand the link between health and learning and are in a position to make a positive difference for children every day.
- NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim the 8th day of May, 2024, as

SCHOOL NURSE DAY
in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 7th day of May, A.D. 2024.


Philip B. Scott
Governor




Brittney J. Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs