The State of Washington



Proclamation

WHEREAS, as Washington's parents and school administrators prepare for the new school year, it is essential to ensure that Washington's children have a strong foundation and good education; and

WHEREAS, many students will unknowingly begin the school year with undiagnosed eye coordination and eye tracking problems; and

WHEREAS, these issues may interfere with a child's ability to read and learn if they remain untreated; and

WHEREAS, it is paramount that children receive eye screenings to test for any vision related problems and prompt treatment if diagnosed; and

WHEREAS, many Washington state students receive vision screenings during the course of the school year;

WHEREAS, preventing and reducing the impact of untreated vision problems can help Washington's children reach their full potential and lead healthy lives; and

WHEREAS Children's Vision and Learning Month in Washington is a time for parents, educators, and school nurses to take the necessary steps to ensure Washington's children have good vision;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jay Inslee, Governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim August 2023 as

Children's Vision and Learning Month

in Washington, and I urge all people in our state to join me in this special observance.

Signed this 23rd day of June, 2023

Governor Jay Inslee

