

STATE OF KANSAS



PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

TO THE PEOPLE OF KANSAS, GREETINGS:

WHEREAS, Parents (including those individuals who provide a positive, consistent relationship with a child) are their child's first and most influential teachers and all parents have hopes and goals for their children; and

WHEREAS, Beginning at birth, family involvement in a child's learning is critical to a child's success in school and in life, helping them to become life-long learners and meaningful contributors to society; and

WHEREAS, It is important for schools, early learning environments, and the community to welcome families, to plan for parent involvement and to provide ways for parents to be involved in their child's learning; and

WHEREAS, Research indicates, when parents are active partners in learning environments all children succeed; and

WHEREAS, The Kansas Parent Information Resource Center (KPIRC) is available to assist families, schools, organizations and communities to work together to support children's learning; and

WHEREAS, It is appropriate that Kansans pause to recognize the outstanding contributions made by parents who foster a love of learning and educators who acknowledge the importance of parental involvement and take action to make it an integral part of the school community:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK PARKINSON, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF KANSAS, do hereby proclaim October, 2009, as

Parent Involvement Month

in the State of Kansas and urge all citizens to join with me in recognition of the important role parents have in their children's lives, education and school community.

DONE: At the Capitol in Topeka
under the Great Seal of the
State this 6th day of
August, A.D. 2009



BY THE GOVERNOR: _____

Mark Parkinson

Secretary of State

Bruce Bryant
Assistant Secretary of State