



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

EDUCATOR MENTAL WELLNESS AWARENESS MONTH

- WHEREAS:** The education profession demands significant emotional and mental investment, as educators go above and beyond to meet the academic and emotional needs of countless students during long hours and heavy workloads; and
- WHEREAS:** Without proper support, this demand can lead to raised levels of stress, burnout, and even depression and can cause a direct negative impact onto educators' quality of instruction, student performance inside the classroom, and the overall health of Georgia's education system; and
- WHEREAS:** The month of November marks a critical point in the school year, being when educators have carried their classrooms through the longest stretch of the semester and need the opportunity to reflect on their mental health. It also is a time for Georgians to recognize the sacrifices individuals of this notable profession make; and
- WHEREAS:** It is therefore entirely necessary to highlight the importance of educators and their mental health and wellness to ensure Georgia's teachers and the literacy of current and future generations will forever thrive in the great state of Georgia; and
- WHEREAS:** Their impact has left a lasting mark on every citizen and the necessity for quality education will never diminish, making this cause important to understand to achieve in fostering understanding, reducing stigma, and ensuring Georgia's educators are supported in sustaining long and impactful careers; and
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim November 2026, as EDUCATOR MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 5th day of August in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Six.



B. P. Kemp

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Lauren M. Curry

CHIEF OF STAFF



U.S. SENATOR REVEREND RAPHAEL WARNOCK

GEORGIA



UNITED STATES SENATE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

November 4, 2025

Dr. Shamira Webb,

Congratulations on the first ever Educator Mental Health and Wellness Month! This is an outstanding and well-deserved honor, and I am thrilled to join your family and friends in celebrating and uplifting this incredible accomplishment.

Our educators are essential to ensuring a more perfect union, but their struggles often go overlooked. With the institution of Educator Mental Health and Wellness Month, you have opened the door for educators across the nation to ask for help, resources, and to know they are not alone in this fight. Your impact has been felt not only to those around you, but also by Georgians across the state and your elected officials in Washington, D.C.

As you continue this critical work, know that you will always have a champion in me, and do not hesitate to let my office know how we may ever be of service to you.

Keep the faith, and keep looking up,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "R. Warnock". The signature is stylized, with the first name "R." and the last name "Warnock" clearly visible.

U.S. Senator Reverend Raphael Warnock