

**RESOLUTION**  
**TO RECOGNIZE NOVEMBER 8-12, 2021 AS SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY AWARENESS WEEK**

**WHEREAS**, this year's theme for School Psychology Awareness Week is: "Let's Get in Gear;" and

**WHEREAS**, finding your focus can involve paying close attention, being able to see an idea more clearly, identifying an area of interest, or being persistent or determined in one's effort; and

**WHEREAS**, finding your focus can help each of us set goals, identify action steps, communicate need, and engage in discussion to help create the connections necessary for students to develop critical academic and social emotional skills; and

**WHEREAS**, we must recognize and honor that our students have a natural propensity to learn and have the right to learn; and

**WHEREAS**, it is imperative that our society and community supports this natural propensity and right to learn by investing in education as a top priority and advocating for the needs of our students; and

**WHEREAS**, we must recognize that in order to enhance a holistic environment in which students live and grow, educators must apply sound psychological principles to guide instruction and learning, cultivate a student's intellectual, social, and emotional development, meet the educational needs of our culturally diverse student population, and promote early intervention to ensure a student's academic success; and

**WHEREAS**, school psychologists help parents and educators to find their focus by fostering healthy social emotional development and are the school-based experts in a student's learning and psychological development; and

**WHEREAS**, school psychologists are on the front lines in the drive to advance the goals of violence prevention, intervention and response in our schools; and

**WHEREAS**, school psychologists are leaders in delivering mental health services to students; and

**WHEREAS**, it is appropriate that Pittsburg Unified School District take the time to recognize the important and vital role that school psychologists play in the personal and academic development of our State's children;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Pittsburg Unified School District's Board of Education recognizes and celebrates the week of November 8 - 12, 2021, as "School Psychology Awareness Week."

**AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Pittsburg Unified School District's Board of Education does hereby honor and values the many contributions of Columbus City Schools' School Psychologists for the impact they have on the lives of our students and families and their positive impact on our community through their tireless efforts.

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Pittsburg Unified School District's Board of Education urges all Pittsburg residents to reflect on the outstanding work of our School Psychologists and join the Board in expressing our gratitude for the critical role they perform for our students and families each and every day.

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0



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Duane Smith, Board President