FAMILY AND SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP IN EDUCATION MONTH

WHEREAS, each year, the month of October is designated “Family and School Partnership in Education Month” in recognition of families and schools working in partnership to improve student outcomes; and

WHEREAS, studies show that when parents, families, and schools collaborate effectively, students achieve higher levels of academic performance, demonstrate better attendance and homework completion, and are less likely to drop out of school; and

WHEREAS, students from all cultural backgrounds tend to perform better academically when their parents, families, and the professionals in their schools bridge the gap between the culture at home and the classroom; and

WHEREAS, students benefit from active involvement by well-informed and engaged parents and families in their life and education; and

WHEREAS, Jeffco Public Schools desires to increase graduation rates, academic achievement levels of all students, and raise rates of enrollment and persistence in secondary and post-secondary education; and

WHEREAS, the Jeffco Public Schools Board of Education adopted a family engagement policy in support of family engagement in 1999 and has consistently updated this policy to reflect current best practices; and

WHEREAS, Jeffco Public Schools supports professional development for staff to stay informed with current family engagement research and best practices; and

WHEREAS, Jeffco Public Schools values family engagement and seeks partnership opportunities through our accountability groups, including the District Accountability Committee, the Title I Family School Partnership Committee, the Community Diversity Advisory Council, the Jefferson Association for Gifted Children, the Special Education Advisory Council, the Indian Education Parent Advisory Committee, the COVID Collaborative Monitoring Committee, and the Capital Asset Advisory Committee; and others; and

WHEREAS, the work of the Family Engagement Liaisons at Jeffco Public Schools work tirelessly to connect families to learning goals and provide resources when needed; and

WHEREAS, five school and district initiatives were recognized as “Promising Practices” by the Colorado Department of Education for 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Jeffco Public Schools Board of Education is pleased to join other boards of education across the United States in proclaiming October 2021 as

National Family and School Partnership in Education Month

and encourages the citizens of Jefferson County to join in the celebration of “National Family and School Partnership in Education Month” by recognizing and celebrating the promising partnership initiatives in schools and communities.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 14th day of October 2021.

JEFFCO PUBLIC SCHOOLS

By: [Signature]
Susan Harmon
President, Board of Education

Attest:

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Stephanie Schooley
Secretary, Board of Education

Our mission: To provide a quality education that prepares all children for a successful future.