

GOVERNOR DOUGLAS A. DUCEY

STATE OF ARIZONA
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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, all young children deserve quality early learning environments to support them as capable, competent lifelong learners; and
WHEREAS, nurturing parenting, quality and accessible childcare, and early education programs build strong brains during the critical years from birth to age five; and
WHEREAS, support for babies and young children have profound impacts on creating strong and vibrant communities; and
WHEREAS, First Things First, Arizona Association for the Education of Young Children, Southern Arizona Association for the Education of Young Children, and other community organizations, in conjunction with the National Association for the Education of Young Children, are celebrating the 51st anniversary of the Week of the Young Child; and
WHEREAS, these organizations are working to improve equitable early learning opportunities that can provide a foundation of learning for Arizona's children; and
WHEREAS, early childhood educators and others who make a difference in the lives of young children deserve thanks, recognition and support; and
WHEREAS, public policies supporting early learning for all young children are crucial to helping Arizona's families, communities and economy thrive.
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim April 2 – 8, 2022 as

WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD

in Arizona and encourage all citizens to support early childhood education in our community.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Douglas A. Ducey
GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this fifteenth day of March in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-Two and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-Sixth.

ATTEST:

[Signature]

SECRETARY OF STATE