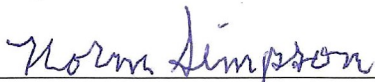




## Week of the Young Child 2026

- WHEREAS, All of Arizona's children deserve access to quality early care and education (ECE) environments; and
- WHEREAS, Quality childcare programs build children's lifelong learning skills during the critical years from birth to age five; and
- WHEREAS, ECE teachers and childcare providers are the essential workforce that helps Arizona parents get to work or school; and
- WHEREAS, Funding quality childcare is a smart investment that improves family well-being, strengthens communities, and grows our state's prosperity; and
- WHEREAS, First Things First, 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 55th anniversary of the Week of the Young Child; and
- WHEREAS, These organizations are working to improve equitable early childhood opportunities that provide a strong start for children in Town of Quartzsite; and
- WHEREAS, Public policies that support ECE for Arizona's youngest learners help our families, communities, and the economy thrive.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Norm Simpson, do hereby proclaim April 11-17, 2026 as the Week of the Young Child in the Town of Quartzsite, Arizona and encourage all citizens to support and invest in early care and education in our community.



Norm Simpson, Mayor

Attest:



Flora Romero, Town Clerk

