

## Virginia School Principals Appreciation Week

WHEREAS, RPS principals serve as instructional leaders—setting the academic blueprint for their schools—and it is their vision, dedication, and determination that provides the foundation for a culture of student success; and

WHEREAS, RPS principals lead and serve with love; giving purpose, direction, and motivation to students and staff, and engaging with parents, guardians, and community stakeholders to prepare each student to be independent and productive citizens; and

WHEREAS, RPS principals work collaboratively with staff to ensure safe and loving learning environments for all students by building relationships and creating joy both in and out of the instructional day; and

WHEREAS, RPS principals are entrusted in nurturing the whole child by utilizing trauma-responsive and restorative practices and creating equitable and inclusive learning communities so that each child feels safe, loved, and valued; and

WHEREAS, Virginia School Principals Appreciation Week is an opportunity to recognize the leadership of RPS principals and to acknowledge the essential role of principals in ensuring that all students have access to exciting and rigorous instruction and all staff feel supported in their school setting; and

WHEREAS, the School Board of the City of Richmond and the school administration salute and appreciate RPS principals and recognize the invaluable contributions they make to public education and student success;

NOW THEREFORE, in recognition of school principals, the School Board of the City of Richmond and the Administration, join the Commonwealth of Virginia in recognizing January 8-14, 2022 as Virginia School Principals Appreciation Week, and call upon all citizens to join in celebration of this recognition.