



# State of North Carolina

**ROY COOPER**  
GOVERNOR

**AFTERSCHOOL PROFESSIONALS APPRECIATION WEEK**

**2018**

**BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA**

**A PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, afterschool professionals work with children and youth in a wide variety of program settings to provide extended learning opportunities during out-of-school hours; and

**WHEREAS**, afterschool professionals' contributions have a positive effect on our children, families, communities, and businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, afterschool professionals offer high-quality relationships and expanded opportunities beyond what children and youth have access to at school and home, which they need to reach their full potential; and

**WHEREAS**, afterschool professionals deserve appreciation for their work to enhance children's education, promote physical and emotional health, provide a safe environment, and open doors to new experiences; and

**WHEREAS**, North Carolina is committed to supporting afterschool professionals, who provide expanded learning opportunities that will help close the achievement gap and prepare our young people to compete in the global economy;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER**, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 23 – 27, 2018, as "**AFTERSCHOOL PROFESSIONALS APPRECIATION WEEK**" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.



Roy Cooper  
Governor

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this twelfth day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand and eighteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-second.