

# State of North Carolina

# **ROY COOPER**

**GOVERNOR** 

## ASVAB CAREER EXPLORATION PROGRAM AWARENESS MONTH

2019

### BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

### A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, North Carolina high school students need support to make critical decisions about postsecondary and higher education as they prepare to enter the workforce; it is important that they have as much career and college information as possible to determine their future educational and career goals; and

WHEREAS, the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) Career Exploration Program (CEP) supports the mission of the State of North Carolina's Career and Technical Education Program by providing resources, support, materials, and services that are relevant and current, and that enable students to achieve success on their career path and in life; and

WHEREAS, the ASVAB was introduced by the Department of Defense in 1968 as a means to predict future academic and occupational success in military occupations; however, extensive research indicates the ASVAB assesses and predicts success in a wide variety of occupations; and

WHEREAS, the ASVAB CEP addresses high school students' career exploration needs by quantifying their strengths and weaknesses in verbal, math, and science and technical skills subject areas; the CEP is offered without cost to high school and college students throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, counselors and educators use ASVAB CEP results to help students with career planning and empower them to make informed decisions; the program also works to assist students with post high school plans, including immediate employment in civilian or military occupations, or further education at a vocational program, community college, or university; and

WHEREAS, the ASVAB CEP has been used in high schools for many years and is recognized nationally as a premier counseling tool; the supporting materials help schools meet the National Standards for School Counseling Programs, as set forth by the American School Counselors Association, as well as the Career Development Competencies, established by the National Career Development Association;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim March, 2019, as "ASVAB CAREER EXPLORATION PROGRAM AWARENESS MONTH" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.

Roy Coope

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 fifth day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand and nineteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-second.