

Office of the Superintendent of Schools
MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Rockville, Maryland

November 8, 2011

MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the Board of Education
From: Joshua P. Starr, Superintendent of Schools
Subject: School Psychology Awareness Week

WHEREAS, The National Association of School Psychologists has designated November 14–18, 2011, as School Psychology Awareness Week to recognize the important role school psychologists play in children’s education and development; and

WHEREAS, The theme for this year’s School Psychology Awareness Week, “Every Link Matters...Make The Connection” emphasizes the importance of positive relationships in helping students confront challenges and major life crises; and

WHEREAS, Research points to the central role of meaningful relationships in a child’s life; and

WHEREAS, School psychologists are trained to help students and school personnel focus on developing constructive connections; creating productive learning environments; and fostering healthy interactions within the school, home, and community; and

WHEREAS, School psychologists work with parents and educators to ensure that every child has the mental health and learning supports he or she needs to succeed in school and life; and

WHEREAS, It is appropriate that Montgomery County Public Schools recognizes the vital role that school psychologists play in the social, emotional, and academic development of Montgomery County Public Schools’ children; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Montgomery County Board of Education and the superintendent of schools do hereby proclaim November 14–18, 2011, as School Psychology Awareness Week in Montgomery County Public Schools and commend observance to all of our school community.

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