



# KETCHIKAN GATEWAY BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

## BOARD OF EDUCATION

### PROCLAMATION

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#### National School Nurse Day

May 7, 2025

**Whereas**, students are the future and, by investing in them today, we are ensuring our world for tomorrow; and Whereas, families deserve to feel confident that their children will be cared for when they are at school; and

**Whereas**, all students have a right to have their physical and mental health needs safely met while in the school setting; and

**Whereas**, students today face more complex and life-threatening health problems requiring care in school; and

**Whereas**, school nurses have served a critical role in improving public health and in ensuring student's academic success for more than 120 years; and

**Whereas**, school nurses act as a liaison to the school community, families, and healthcare providers on behalf of children's health by promoting wellness and improving health outcomes for our nation's children; and

**Whereas**, school nurses are members of school-based teams (e.g. school health services, 504/IEP, disaster/emergency planning) providing care coordination to address the school population; and

**Whereas**, school nurses understand the link between health and learning and are in a position to make a positive difference for children every day,

**Therefore be it Resolved**, that the Ketchikan Gateway Borough School District Board of Education celebrates and acknowledges the accomplishments of school nurses everywhere and their efforts to meet the needs of today's students and offers gratitude for the nation's school nurses, who contribute to our local communities by supporting students to stay healthy, in school, safe, and ready to learn, and keeping parents and guardians at work, not just on this National School Nurse Day, but in every opportunity throughout the year.

**Now, THEREFORE**, I, Katherine Tatsuda, President of the Board of Education, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, May 7, 2025, as "School Nurse Day" at KGBSD, and commend its observance staff, students and the community.

**Signed on this 28th day of May 2025, by**

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**Katherine Tatsuda, President, KGBSD Board of Education**