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Governor Rhoden Proclaims Sept. 14-20 Adult Education and Family Literacy Week

PIERRE, S.D. – Governor Larry Rhoden has officially designated Sept. 14-20, 2025, [Adult Education and Family Literacy Week](#) in South Dakota to spotlight the critical need for and immense value of adult education and family literacy programs.

Adult Education and Family Literacy Week is recognized to raise awareness about the importance of providing accessible learning opportunities for adults and families. With an estimated 15% of adults in South Dakota lacking essential literacy skills, this week underscores the need for robust educational programs that foster lifelong learning and personal growth.

“Education truly changes lives,” said state Labor and Regulation Secretary Marcia Hultman. “Adult Education and Family Literacy Week emphasizes the importance of learning opportunities and celebrates the determination of individuals working hard to build brighter futures for themselves and their families.”

The Adult Education and Family Literacy Program, under Title II of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, supports these services and activities. [Read success stories](#) to learn how employers and individuals have found workplace success.

“Our programs open doors to opportunity by supporting GED® completion and strengthening skills in writing, English, problem-solving, digital literacy, and family literacy,” said Hultman. “Together, these efforts empower individuals, strengthen families, and build a stronger workforce and brighter future for our communities.”

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