



*State of Missouri*  
*Governor's Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, Missouri postsecondary education for all programs (University of Missouri – St. Louis Succeed program, Missouri State University Bear Power program, University of Central Missouri Thrive program, University of Missouri – Columbia PAWS program), and Show Me College (an online resource hub for college options for students with intellectual disabilities), are joining the Think College National Coordinating Center to designate May 1, 2024, as Postsecondary Education for All (PSE4ALL) Day; and

**WHEREAS**, college students with and without intellectual disabilities can attend college together; and

**WHEREAS**, today, there are about 5,300 colleges and universities in the United States, and only 332 offer programs for students with intellectual disabilities. Of all 62 colleges and universities in Missouri, the total enrollment of the four participating in PSE4ALL program is 87, which means less than 4% of transition-age Missouri students with intellectual disabilities go to college; and

**WHEREAS**, Missouri is committed to a postsecondary education attainment goal for 60% of working-age adults in Missouri to have a postsecondary education certificate or degree by 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, access to postsecondary education and training is vital in preparing individuals with disabilities for the workforce; and

**WHEREAS**, Missouri students, families, and educators join with universities, colleges, and communities around the country in celebrating Postsecondary Education for All Day.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Michael L. Parson, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim May 1, 2024, to be

**POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION FOR ALL DAY**

in Missouri.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2024.



*Michael L. Parson*  
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE