

## SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY WEEK

WHEREAS: School psychologists are among the most highly trained educators, working directly with students, teachers and parents to meet the special learning needs of our children; and

WHEREAS: School psychologists perform evaluations and comprehensive assessments that help identify children's educational strengths and weaknesses and make effective recommendations that will address individual requirements; and

WHEREAS: Teachers consult with school psychologists in planning for the instructional needs of individual students in regular and special classrooms and for information concerning learning principles, social behavior, classroom management and academic behavior; and

WHEREAS: School psychologists provide family counseling and help facilitate relationships between students, parents, teachers and school administrators, thereby fostering a better understanding of a child's problems and special educational needs; now

THEREFORE: I, SONNY PERDUE, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim February 9-15, 2003, as **SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY WEEK** in Georgia and encourage our citizens to join in recognizing psychologists and the important contributions they make to the education of our children.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 30<sup>th</sup> day of January in the year of our Lord two thousand three.