

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

PROCLAMATION

FINISH THE FAFSA WEEK

APRIL 21-27, 2024

WHEREAS, North Dakota youth are called to ready themselves to serve in the state's workforce by career or trade training after high school or obtaining postsecondary credentials; and

WHEREAS, more than 50,000 students from North Dakota and beyond attend North Dakota public, private and tribal colleges or universities; and

WHEREAS, 94% of first-time undergraduate students attending a public, private or tribal college or university in North Dakota qualify and are supported by financial aid to assist them in reaching their educational goals; and

WHEREAS, applying for the FAFSA is the gateway to qualifying for grants, work-study funds and federal student loans, as well as certain state-based aid to pay for college and career training programs; and

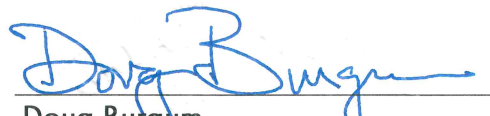
WHEREAS, public, private and tribal colleges and universities utilize the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) results to determine eligibility for financial aid; and

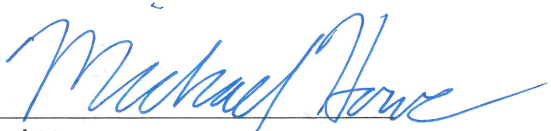
WHEREAS, FAFSA results can help families to enhance financial aid planning with options that might exist; and

WHEREAS, North Dakotans are asked to encourage the students who attend North Dakota public, private and tribal colleges or universities to complete the FAFSA application and unlock the financial aid opportunities that await them on their educational journey.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim
April 21-27, 2024, **FINISH THE FAFSA WEEK** in the
State of North Dakota.




Doug Burgum
GOVERNOR

ATTEST: 
Michael Howe
SECRETARY OF STATE