

# The State of Washington



## Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, classified school employees are involved in nearly every aspect of education – maintaining buildings and grounds, preparing and serving meals, keeping school facilities clean and orderly, assisting in the classroom, performing and conducting research activities, providing information technology and media services, administrative support functions, safe transportation, a secure and healthy environment, and many other specialized services; and

**WHEREAS**, these dedicated individuals deserve recognition and thanks for the outstanding work they are doing for this state, their communities, and the students enrolled in Washington's public schools and universities; and

**WHEREAS**, there are nearly 50,000 classified school employees working with and helping students in Washington's universities and public schools; and

**WHEREAS**, classified school employees are instrumental in fulfilling the state's paramount duty to educate all students; and

**WHEREAS**, by supporting the learning environment, classified school employees are crucial partners with professors, teachers, parents, administrators, and school boards in our education system;

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Jay Inslee, Governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim March 11-15, 2013, as

### ***Classified School Employee Week***

in Washington State and I urge all citizens to join me in this special observance.

Signed this 30<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2013

Handwritten signature of Jay Inslee in blue ink.

Governor Jay Inslee

