



STATE OF TEXAS
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Strong families and healthy child development form the foundation for successful communities and a more prosperous state. In Texas, we know that children thrive in safe, stable, nurturing families, within their own communities. By establishing partnerships with caregivers and building on the collective strengths of parents and their children, we can build stronger, healthier families and equip parents with the tools needed to support their children, families, and communities.

Parent Leadership is an essential, effective means of strengthening families and preventing child abuse and neglect. A necessary component of effective family support programs, it occurs when parents have knowledge and skills necessary to function in meaningful leadership roles and present a "parent voice." Their input helps shape the direction of their families, parent support programs, and communities.

The goals of Parent Leadership are achieved when parents receive support and training and play an active role in the planning, implementation, and evaluation of the policies, practices, and programs that affect families and communities. The creation of strong Texas families occurs daily through the tireless efforts of parents and the support they receive from friends, neighbors, houses of faith, advocacy groups, nonprofit organizations, schools, healthcare providers, social workers, and government agencies in communities across the Lone Star State. When parents speak publicly about their experiences, they make a tremendous impact on the lives of Texas families, and parent leaders are to be commended for their efforts.

Each year, the month of February is set aside in order to recognize parents as leaders in their communities and in their families. At this time, I call on my fellow Texans to recognize the extraordinary courage and tenacity of parents who have reached out to make improvements in their families and communities. Their efforts represent the very best of the Lone Star State and will be of great use as we work together to build a bigger, better future.

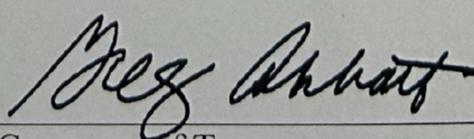
Therefore, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, do hereby proclaim February 2026 to be

Parent Leadership Month



in Texas and urge all Texans to observe the occasion with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto affixed my signature this the 6th day of January, 2026.


Governor of Texas