

Office of the Governor



PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** according to the United States Department of Education, young adults with postsecondary credentials earn more than those with a high school diploma or its equivalent; and
- WHEREAS,** a high school education alone is no longer sufficient and does not guarantee that a student will be on the path to gainful employment in a career track providing a livable wage and sustainable quality of life; and
- WHEREAS,** the Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance (LOSFA), under the Board of Regents, in collaboration with other state agencies, higher education institutions and college access programs are working together to connect learners with opportunities for greater postsecondary awareness, access, persistence and demonstrated success; and
- WHEREAS,** Louisiana high school seniors may participate in this initiative, thereby receiving assistance from LOSFA, trained school staff and volunteers in completing a college application and the Free Application for Federal Student Aid.
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Bel Edwards,** Governor of the State of Louisiana, do hereby proclaim October 2021 as

**LOUISIANA COLLEGE APPLICATION AND
ACCESS MONTH**
in the State of Louisiana.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand
officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the
State of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the City of Baton
Rouge, on this 1st day of **October** A. D., 2021.



John Bel Edwards
Governor