

ONE CITY. ONE JACKSONVILLE.

WHEREAS: The City of Jacksonville shares Duval County Public Schools'

commitment to engaging families, communities, educators and students in activities that promote college, career access, and future

success; and

WHEREAS: The annual "Jacksonville Goes to College Week" is an initiative created

with the goal to contribute to these successes; and

WHEREAS: Jacksonville students are fortunate to have a number of institutions of

higher education located close to home, including the University of North Florida, Jacksonville University, Edward Waters University and

Florida State College at Jacksonville, among others; and

WHEREAS: Duval County Public Schools and the City of Jacksonville have created

a calendar of fun, inspirational and educational events for the week of September 17 - 23 that promote and increase awareness of post-secondary readiness opportunities. The offerings will reach students from elementary school to high school and are intended to prepare

students for success in college and beyond; and

WHEREAS: "Jacksonville Goes to College Week" closes with the National College

Fair on September 23 at the Prime Osborn Convention Center. The fair serves as a valuable resource for 8th- through 12th-grade students and their families to discover information on college, career, and financial support options, as well as obtain assistance to complete the

FAFSA financial aid application.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DONNA DEEGAN, by virtue of the authority vested in me as mayor of Jacksonville, Florida, do hereby proclaim September 17 - 23, 2023 as

JACKSONVILLE GOES TO COLLEGE WEEK

In Jacksonville and encourage all residents to increase their awareness and support of higher education offerings and opportunities available to citizens of all ages.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, this 11th Day of Sep. in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-Three.

Donna Deegan
MAYOR