



# County Commissioners of Charles County

## PROCLAMATION 2026-03

### National School Choice Week

**WHEREAS**, every child in Charles County deserves access to the highest-quality education possible to support lifelong success; and

**WHEREAS**, National School Choice Week is celebrated across the country by millions of students, parents, educators, schools and organizations to raise awareness on the need for effective educational choices; and

**WHEREAS**, Charles County is home to a wide range of high-quality educational options including public and nonpublic schools, as well as families who choose to educate their children at home, allowing parents to select the learning environment that best meets their children's needs; and

**WHEREAS**, educational choice strengthens our community by encouraging innovation, expanding opportunity, and contributing to a diverse and resilient economy; and

**WHEREAS**, Charles County has many high-quality teaching professionals and recognizes the important role that effective education plays in preparing all students to be successful adults.

**NOW, THEREFORE, WE, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND,** do hereby proclaim January 25 - 31, 2026 as National School Choice Week in Charles County, and encourage all residents to support and acknowledge the importance of educational choice in our community.

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