



PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** the beginning of a new school year brings students, families, educators, school staff, crossing guards, school buses, and increased pedestrian and bicycle traffic back to Northglenn's neighborhoods and roadways; and
- WHEREAS,** drivers can help protect students by slowing down in school zones, obeying school-bus signals and yielding to pedestrians, avoiding distractions, and remaining especially alert near schools, bus stops, crosswalks, and drop-off and pickup areas; and
- WHEREAS,** students and families are encouraged to use designated crossings, follow bicycle and pedestrian safety practices, wear helmets, remain visible, and become familiar with safe routes to and from school; and
- WHEREAS,** back-to-school safety also includes physical security, emergency preparedness, safe transportation, digital safety and responsible device use, mental and emotional well-being, bullying prevention, and a culture of kindness and belonging; and
- WHEREAS,** protecting students and creating positive learning environments requires collaboration among students, families, educators, school staff, first responders, mental health professionals, local government, and the entire Northglenn community; and
- WHEREAS,** Back-to-School Safety Month provides an opportunity to renew safe habits and ensure that students begin the school year ready to learn, grow, and succeed.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Meredith Leighty, Mayor of the City of Northglenn, Colorado, do hereby proclaim August 2026 as:

Back-to-School Safety Month

in the City of Northglenn and encourage all residents to exercise additional care near schools and along student travel routes, follow all traffic and school-zone laws, and work together to make the new school year safe, positive, and successful for every student.

DATED, at Northglenn, Colorado, this 10th day of August 2026.

MEREDITH LEIGHTY
Mayor

