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**THE LINCOLN COUNTY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION- WHOLE CHILD RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the observance of North Carolina Whole Child Month in October of each year provides a fitting opportunity to reflect on how to best address the needs of our children;

**WHEREAS**, recognizing that true student success entails more than just academic achievement, the nonprofit professional organization ASCD (Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development) launched the Whole Child Initiative in 2007; this comprehensive approach to education seeks to adequately prepare today's young North Carolinians for the demands of college, career, and good citizenship; and

**WHEREAS**, the initiative highlights five key elements that children need to become happy, productive members of society; that they are healthy, safe, engaged, supported, and challenged; and

**WHEREAS**, the first element is that a child enters school healthy and learns about and practices a healthy lifestyle; and

**WHEREAS**, the second element is that each student learns in an environment that is physically and emotionally safe for students and adults; and

**WHEREAS**, the third element is that each student is actively engaged in learning and is connected to the school and broader community; and

**WHEREAS**, the fourth element is that each student has access to personalized learning and is supported by qualified and caring adults; and

**WHEREAS**, the fifth element is that each student is challenged academically and prepared for success in college or future study and for employment; and

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina affiliate of ASCD (NCASCD) is the largest affiliate and provides professional development and networking opportunities for thousands of educators across our state; and

**WHEREAS**, the continued prosperity and vitality of our state depends on our children's achieving their full potential, which in turn requires educational policies that ensure young North Carolinians be successful; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that this Board recognize October as North Carolina Whole Child Month and encourage parents, educators, and community members to support a whole-child approach to education.

This resolution was duly considered and approved by the Lincoln County Schools Board of Education at its meeting on June 12, 2018.

**LINCOLN COUNTY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION ATTEST:**

Mark Mullen, Chairperson

Dr. Lory D. Morrow, Secretary

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