

# Proclamation

## **NATIONAL STUDENT LEADERSHIP WEEK**

**APRIL 24-30, 2026**

**WHEREAS,** *the annual celebration of National Student Leadership Week began on a national level in 1972 by Presidential Proclamation; and*

**WHEREAS,** *students across the entire City of Lake City in schools that are public, private, and in-home settings, demonstrate leadership in the classroom while soaring above academic expectations in leadership capacities within academic, social, athletic, and community groups; and*

**WHEREAS,** *student leaders make significant contributions to the climate and culture of their schools and communities, and it is important to celebrate their individual and collective efforts; and*

**WHEREAS,** *we believe students have earned their right to be recognized for the entire week of April 24-30, 2026.*

**NOW, THEREFORE,** *I, Noah Walker, Mayor of the City of Lake City, Florida, do hereby proclaim the week of April 24-30, 2026 as "National Student Leadership Week" joining the "Celebration of Youth Leaders" sponsored by Our Community Cares Coalition-Columbia County and community partners and encourage citizens, businesses, organizations, and government agencies to join in acknowledging the success of Youth Leadership throughout the community.*



**Seal of the City of Lake City  
State of Florida**

*In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused this seal to be affixed this 20<sup>th</sup> day of April 2026.*

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*Noah Walker, Mayor  
City of Lake City*