

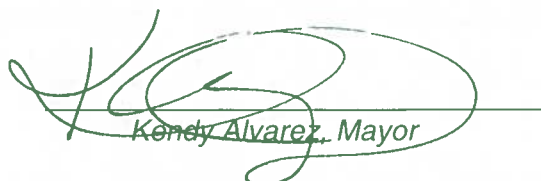
PROCLAMATION

Back to School Week August 25th through 31st, 2025

- Whereas,** Lewisburg is home to vibrant centers of learning, including the Lewisburg Area School District, Bucknell University, and the Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit (CSIU), whose students, educators, staff, and families contribute to the vitality of our community and region; and
- Whereas,** the start of a new academic year represents not only a time for learning and growth, but also an opportunity to strengthen the bonds between our schools, our university, our regional education partners, and the residents of Lewisburg; and
- Whereas,** the Lewisburg Area School District nurtures curiosity, critical thinking, and character in students from kindergarten through 12th grade, preparing them to lead, serve, and thrive; and
- Whereas,** the Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit serves as an educational bridge, offering specialized programs, resources, and career readiness initiatives that expand opportunities for students across multiple districts in our region; and
- Whereas,** Bucknell University, a nationally recognized institution of higher learning and a proud neighbor to the Borough, fosters innovation, discovery, and engagement while drawing students, faculty, and visitors from across the nation and around the globe; and
- Whereas,** education is one of the most valuable economic drivers in the Susquehanna River Valley, fueling local innovation, entrepreneurship, workforce development, and the creation of strong, resilient communities; and
- Whereas,** by preparing young people for meaningful careers—including opportunities right here in our own towns—we strengthen our economy, retain our talent, and contribute to the revitalization and long-term sustainability of our population; and
- Whereas,** a safe, supportive, and welcoming environment for all students—whether they are beginning kindergarten, entering high school, pursuing technical training, or arriving in Lewisburg for their first semester at Bucknell—is essential for personal success and community well-being;

Now, Therefore, I, Kendy Alvarez, Mayor of the Borough of Lewisburg, do hereby proclaim the week of August 25 through August 31, 2025, as Back to School Week in Lewisburg and encourage all residents to:

- *Welcome returning and new students with kindness and hospitality*
- *Support our schools, university, and regional education partners through volunteerism, attendance at events, and partnership in learning;*
- *Commit to creating a community where every learner feels safe, valued, inspired, and connected to a future that includes opportunities here at home.*



Kendy Alvarez, Mayor