FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
MARCH 6, 2023

SCHOOL SOCIAL WORK ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA CELEBRATES NATIONAL SCHOOL SOCIAL WORK WEEK MARCH 5 – 11, 2023
Celebrate the impactful work of School Social Workers in your community

March 5-11, 2023 is National School Social Work Week, an opportunity for schools, communities, and partners to acknowledge and recognize the impactful work they do to support students, families, and their communities.

Under the leadership of the School Social Work Association of America (SSWAA), the only national organization exclusively dedicated to the profession of school social work, this celebration will emphasize School Social Work contributions of focusing on the “whole-child”, linking families to community resources, a valuable voice as part of the school’s multi-disciplinary team, and advocating for the profession of School Social Work.

The theme for National School Social Work Week 2023 is "We Rise.” During the school year, School Social Workers are confronted with challenges, heightened anxieties, and anticipated difficulties. However, School Social Workers face these challenges with strength and resilience. School Social Workers rise up - supporting their students, families, and school communities. School Social Workers rise to share hope. They rise to listen and understand. They rise to challenge inequities. They rise to support all students.

"School Social Workers are humble professionals,” said Rebecca Oliver, LMSW, SSWAA Executive Director, “who often are the voice for students and families but do not always voice the value they add to the school community. School Social Workers rise to support the growing need for mental health services, offering hope for students and families who face various challenges, and advocating for marginalized youth.”

About the School Social Work Association of America (SSWAA):
SSWAA is a membership organization with the mission to empower school social workers and promote the profession to enhance the social and emotional growth and academic outcomes of all students nationally and globally. For more information about SSWAA, please visit sswaa.org.