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State Superintendent of Schools

TO: Members of the State Board of Education
FROM: Karen B. Salmon, Ph.D.
DATE: May 22, 2018
SUBJECT: Recognition of Maryland's 2018-2019 Teachers of the Year

PURPOSE:

To recognize Maryland's newly named 2018-2019 local Teachers of the Year who will represent their school systems in the state's Teacher of the Year program and competition for Maryland and National Teacher of the Year.

BACKGROUND OF THE PROGRAM, SPONSORS, AND EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Maryland has fully participated in the National Teacher of the Year Program for twenty-eight years. The National Program is sponsored by the Council of Chief State School Officers. The Maryland program is sponsored by the Maryland State Department of Education with its presenting partners: Comcast, the Maryland Automobile Dealers Association, McDonald's Family Restaurants of MD, and Northrop Grumman along with platinum sponsors: NTA Life and Whiting Turning Contracting.

We are proud that in the past eleven years, Maryland has had three National Teachers of the Year and an additional two who were one of four national finalists.

The objective of both national and state programs is to draw public attention to the teaching profession and the contributions of our outstanding teachers. The Maryland Teacher of the Year represents thousands of teachers in the public schools of our State; when selected for the State Award, he or she also enters the National Teacher of the Year competition. National Teachers are accorded celebrity status and spend one year out of the classroom, traveling across the country and the world bringing an education message to hundreds of thousands of people.

Maryland's Teacher of the Year, while not fully removed from the classroom, generally has a partner teacher assigned by the local school system. He or she is asked to keynote at numerous professional development programs, award ceremonies, state conferences, college graduations, and other events and is also invited to participate on state policy committees and panels. Maryland's Teacher also participates in the National Teacher of the Year Program which includes 4-5 national meetings or conferences across the country as well as National Space Camp in Huntsville Alabama. Maryland's Teacher joins fellow State Teachers of the Year in a Presidential Recognition at the White House.

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All 24 local Teachers of the Year are honored at a prestigious Gala and participate each month in leadership and honors programs throughout Maryland.

State Board Ceremony

Approximately 110 guests of the teachers are expected to attend the Board Ceremony, including the Teachers and 1 guest each, local superintendents, local board presidents, principals, and district Teacher of the Year Coordinators.

ACTION:

Each District Teacher of the Year will be introduced. The State Superintendent and State Board President will present each Teacher with a State Board of Education Citation. An inscribed portfolio will also be presented and commemorative photos will be taken.

An Honors Luncheon at the Holiday Inn immediately follows the State Board Honors Ceremony.

2018 - 2019

Maryland Teacher of the Year

State Board Recognition



Allegany County

Superintendent
Dr. David Cox

TIFFANY MORAN

Westernport Elementary School

Principal – Alexa Fazenbaker



Grades 3

Anne Arundel County

Superintendent
Dr. George Arlotto



HEATHER CARNAGHAN

Monarch Global Academy

Principal – Donna O’Shea

Social Studies
Grade 8



Baltimore City

Chief Executive Officer
Dr. Sonja B. Santelises

LAQUISHA HALL

Carver Vocational-Technical
High School

Principal – Shionta Somerville



English Language Arts
Grades 9 – 12

Baltimore County

Interim Superintendent
Verletta White

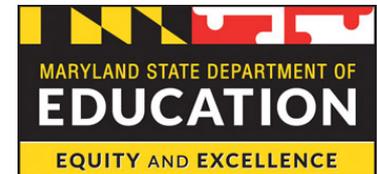
BRENDAN PENN

**Lyons Mills
Elementary School**

Principal – Maralee Clark



**Math & Science
Grade 3**



Calvert County

Superintendent
Dr. Daniel D. Curry

DR. MELANEY SANCHEZ

Mt. Harmony
Elementary School

Principal – Charles M. Trefth



ESOL
Grades K – 5

Caroline County

Interim Superintendent
Dr. Patricia W. Saelens

ANDREA BURNS

Preston Elementary School

Principal – Keri Clow



Grade 1



Carroll County

Superintendent
Stephen H. Guthrie

TINA THOMEN

Manchester Valley
High School

Principal – Todd L. Hicks



English
Grades 9 – 12

Cecil County

Language Arts
Grade 9

Superintendent
Dr. D'Ette W. Devine



STACI LAMB

Elkton High School

Principal – John Roush



Charles County

Superintendent
Dr. Kimberly Hill

English/Language Arts
Grade 6

LYNN HOPKINS

Milton M. Somers
Middle School

Principal – Carrie Akins



Dorchester County

Spanish
Grades 9 – 12

Superintendent
Dr. Diana L. Mitchell

BENEDITA GOMES

North Dorchester
High School

Principal – Jacklynn Sorrells



Frederick County

Superintendent
Dr. Theresa R. Alban

TIMOTHY SNYDER

Urbana Middle School

Assistant Principal – Kyle Barnette



Art Grades 6 – 8

Garrett County

Interim Superintendent
Barbara L. Baker

JENNIFER VIRTS

Northern Garrett
High School

Principal – Gary Reichenbecher



Theater/English
Grades 9 – 12



Harford County

Superintendent
Barbara P. Canavan

English
Grades 9 – 10

DR. PAULA STANTON

Bel Air High School

Principal – Gregory Komondor



Howard County

Interim Superintendent
Dr. Michael J. Martirano

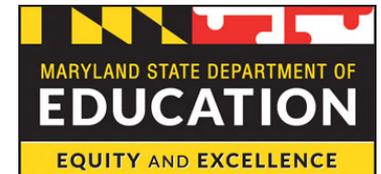
ELIZABETH WALTMAN

Lime Kiln Middle School

Principal – Lucy Lubin



Mathematics
Grades 11 – 12



Kent County

Superintendent
Dr. Karen M. Couch

Science
Grade 6

AMELIA MARKOSIAN

Kent County Middle School

Principal – Dr. Mary Helen Spiri



Montgomery County

Kindergarten

Superintendent
Dr. Jack R. Smith



KRISTEN KANE

Forest Knolls
Elementary School

Principal –Evan H. Bernstein



Prince George's County

Chief Executive Officer
Dr. Kevin M. Maxwell

DALEISHA MYERS

Tulip Grove
Elementary School

Principal – Jaime Whitfield-Coffen

RELA/Math
Grade 5



Queen Anne's County

Superintendent
Dr. Andrea Kane

RHONDA MOORE

Matapeake Elementary School

Principal – Jennifer Schrecongost



Grade 1



St. Mary's County

Superintendent
Dr. James Scott Smith

SARAH LOREK

Chopticon High School
Principal – Kim Summers



Music
Grades 9 – 12

Somerset County

Superintendent
Dr. John B. Gaddis

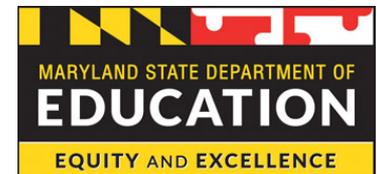
DR. RICHARD WARREN, JR.

Crisfield High School
and Academy

Principal – Tony Bevilacqua



Science & S.T.E.M
Grade 8



Talbot County

Superintendent
Dr. Kelly L. Griffith

ESOL/Spanish
Grades 9 – 12

RENEÉ WARFIELD

Easton High School

Principal – Kirk Howie



Washington County

Grade 5

Interim Superintendent
Dr. Boyd J. Michael

JEANINE HORST

Cascade Elementary School

Principal – Denise Kuhna



Wicomico County

Superintendent
Dr. Donna C. Hanlin

Mathematics/TAM
Grades 9 – 12

LISA MCKINNON

Parkside High School

Principal – Kimberly Pinhey



Worcester County

Superintendent
Louis Taylor

KAREN HOLLAND

Cedar Chapel
Special School

Principal – Belinda Gulyas



Special Education
Grades 3 – 6

