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Dows Lane Elementary School Designated as a 2020 National Blue Ribbon School



Dows Lane Elementary School has been awarded the prestigious designation of a 2020 Exemplary High Performing National Blue Ribbon School by the U.S. Department of Education. The recognition is based on the school's overall academic performance.

"We are honored and humbled to be recognized by this honor," Principal Dr. Andrea Kantor said. "Everyone at Dows Lane - our staff, students and families - work together to learn and grow. We are being recognized for our love for learning, our growth and challenges, and our incredible community."

Dows Lane is one of 367 schools nationwide to be recognized for its dedication to achieving academic excellence. The coveted award also affirms the hard work of educators, families and communities in creating a safe and welcoming school where students master challenging and engaging content.

"The entire Irvington school community is proud to be awarded the National Blue Ribbon School recognition," Superintendent of Schools Dr. Kristopher Harrison said. "This achievement is a testament to our community's commitment to education and the dedication and talent of our incredible faculty and staff."

Now in its 38th year, the National Blue Ribbon Schools Program has recognized more than 9,000 schools across the country. In a statement, U.S. Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos congratulated this year's awardees on the extraordinary work they do to meet students' needs and prepare them for successful careers and meaningful lives.

The U.S. Department of Education will formally recognize the award recipients - 317 public and 50 private schools - during a virtual awards ceremony on November 12th and 13th.

