

The Washington Achievement Awards



Celebrating Washington's Highest-Achieving Schools

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The Washington Achievement Awards celebrate excellence by recognizing the state's top-performing schools.

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Methodology:

- Schools are selected using the SBE Accountability Index
- Two categories of awards:
 1. Overall Excellence
 2. Special Recognition

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Overall Excellence:

- Top five percent of schools according to the Overall School Performance Score
- Four levels:
 1. Elementary
 2. Middle
 3. High
 4. Comprehensive

The top five percent is based on schools' two year average School Performance Score

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Special Recognition

Schools will be recognized for being top performers in:

1. Language arts (reading & writing)
2. Math
3. Science
4. Extended Graduation Rates
5. Closing the Achievement Gap (next year)
6. Gifted Education

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Selection Process

Recipients are chosen based on their assessment results in math, science, reading, writing, and the extended-graduation rate (for high schools). Schools are also evaluated based on their success with low-income vs. non-low income students, their achievement compared to peer schools with similar demographics, and their improvement over time.

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Awards Ceremony

When: May 5, 9:00 a.m.– Noon

Regional/K-20 meetings will also take place