College Park Elementary School Receives "Schools of Recognition" Award From DPI For FOURTH Year

GREENDALE -- For the fourth consecutive year, Greendale’s College Park Elementary, a 2018 U.S. Department of Education National Blue Ribbon School, has been recognized by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) as a Wisconsin Title I School of Recognition. This year, the school earned “High Achieving” recognition. Schools in the “High-Achieving Schools” category have achievement gaps that are less than three (3) points between student groups or show evidence of reducing gaps; and demonstrate high achievement at the school level.

To receive this Schools of Recognition award, schools must meet state test-participation and attendance goals, and receive Title I funds based on state guidelines, which include having significant numbers of students enrolled from low income families based on federal free and reduced price school meal income guidelines.

State Superintendent Carolyn Stanford Taylor hosted an awards program in Madison on May 20 to further recognize Wisconsin Title I School of Recognition award recipients. College Park received a plaque to mark the distinction with Bridget Blask, school counselor, and Kerry Owens-Bur, principal, accepting the award on behalf of College Park staff and students.

Statewide, the 2019 Title I Schools of Recognition include 19 High-Achieving schools, 23 High-Progress schools, and 81 Beating-the-Odds schools; nine schools received special recognition for earning awards for five, ten, or 15 consecutive years. Data used to determine the awards is from the 2017-2018 school year. A listing of statewide schools earning this recognition can be found here.

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Editor’s Note: State Superintendent of Schools Carolyn Stanford Taylor honors staff from College Park Elementary on its Schools of Recognition award. (l-r) Bridget Blask, school counselor, Stanford Taylor, and Kerry Owens-Bur, school principal.