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Two Elementary Schools Earn National Title I School Distinction *Recognition Comes from the National Association of State Title I Directors*

Patrick Henry Elementary in Arlington County and High Point Elementary in Washington County were recently named Virginia's two 2014-2015 National Title I Distinguished Schools. Representatives from the schools will be recognized by the National Association of State Title I Directors during the organization's annual conference, February 5-8, 2015, in Salt Lake City.

The two schools were selected from the 40 high-achieving Title I schools honored by the [Virginia Board of Education in October](#). To be considered, eligible Title I schools were required to submit an application to the Virginia Department of Education for review.

Patrick Henry Elementary was selected for exceeding federal annual measurable objectives (AMOs) for two consecutive school years. High Point Elementary was chosen for its efforts to close achievement gaps among student subgroups over two consecutive years.

Title I of ESEA provides funding to school divisions and schools for programs to raise the achievement of students identified as being at risk of academic failure. The federal education law, whose most recent reauthorization is also known as the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, requires schools and school divisions to meet annual objectives for increasing student achievement on statewide assessments in reading/language arts and mathematics.

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