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2013 WELLS FARGO PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR PROGRAM

The North Carolina Department of Public Instruction (NCDPI) is pleased to announce the 2013 Wells Fargo Principal of the Year Program. Since 1984, we have been privileged to administer this important recognition program with financial support from Wells Fargo.

Awards

The 2013 State Wells Fargo Principal of the Year will receive

- A \$3,000 cash award for personal use and a \$3000 cash award for his/her school
- Recognition at a State event
- Service as the Principal of the Year Advisor to the State Board of Education

Regional winners will each receive

- A \$1000 cash award for personal use and a \$1000 cash award for use in his/her school
- Recognition at a State luncheon

Each district winner who submits a completed portfolio and continues in the regional selection process by participating in the interview component will receive

- A \$150 cash award
- Certificate of award

Selection Process

Each district is responsible for the local selection process. Only one principal can be selected as your district Principal of the Year. The principal selected must have **at least four years experience** as a building level administrator (which can include some years as an assistant principal and/or central office administrator). The selection process must be objective and fair. Local selection procedures must assure that all public school principals have access and equal opportunity to be nominated. For more information on the selection criteria, see the enclosed Principal of the Year Process Booklet.

All local winners are encouraged to participate at the regional and state levels. In order for your local candidate to compete, you must submit the enclosed Nomination Form/Spreadsheet naming your local Wells Fargo Principal of the Year to the Regional Education Facilitator assigned to your district (see enclosed contact information) by **October 26, 2012**.

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AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION EMPLOYER

District Principals of the Year must submit a completed portfolio to compete at the regional and state levels. The completed portfolio and **three** copies are due to the Regional Education Facilitator assigned to your district by **5:00 pm, November 30, 2012**. See the attached timeline for further detail for the remainder of the process.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your Regional Education Facilitator or me at brandon.patterson@dpi.nc.gov or 919.807.3375. Thank you for your assistance in celebrating exemplary educational leadership in North Carolina's public schools.

Enclosures

Wells Fargo POY Process Booklet (includes POY selection schedule)

Nomination Form/Spreadsheet

Portfolio Directions/Portfolio

Publicity Photo Request

Regional Education Facilitator Contact Information