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Office of School Performance
MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Rockville, Maryland

September 16, 2009

MEMORANDUM

To: All Principals

From: Stephen L. Bedford, Chief School Performance Officer 

Subject: ACTION: 2010 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards

Summary

- Prudential Spirit of Community Awards were created in 1995 to recognize students who have demonstrated exemplary community service. These prestigious awards, sponsored by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP), are presented annually at the local, state, and national level.
- An eligible student is any student who is in Grades 5–12 as of November 2, 2009; is a legal resident of one of the 50 states of the United States or the District of Columbia; and has engaged in volunteer activity that occurred, at least in part, after September 1, 2008.

Action

- By November 2, 2009, interested volunteers in Grades 5–12 complete an application online at the following website: <http://spirit.prudential.com> (access key: spirit); fax the signature page to 1-615-627-9685; and submit a printout of the application to the school principal.
- Each participating school then reviews the applications of its students and selects one candidate for the middle level Local Honoree category (Grades 5–8) and one high school Local Honoree candidate for every 1,000 students in Grades 9–12.
- Principals must certify the application(s) of their selected Local Honoree(s) online by November 9, 2009.

Questions

- For more information, contact the Department of Event Services at 1-800-253-7746 or via e-mail at spirit@principals.org.

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