

Awards of Excellence, February 14, 2012

Congratulations to Mr. Rod Sheppard, for his selection as council member for Alabama Council for Leadership (ACLD).

Congratulations to Mr. Joey Dawson, for his selection as presenter for *The Leader in Me* Symposium held February 2-3, 2012.

Congratulations to Mrs. Anna Wicks, for receiving a \$1,000 new teacher grant from the Alabama Power Foundation.

Congratulations to Mrs. Darlene Freemon, Florence High School Creative Writing Teacher, and the following students for achieving the rank of excellent from the National Council of Teachers of English for their publication of *Signatures*, 2011.

Gabriele Lindley
Teena Patel

Congratulations to Mr. Jerry Foster, Florence High School Art Teacher, and students Gloria Garcia and Annelise Kennedy for being selected to participate in the National Youth Art student flag design competition. Both students won goodies from Sergeant Art and a certificate from AAEA. Annelise, her parent and Mr. Foster also won a trip to New York City.

Congratulations to Mrs. Johnna Stafford, Band Director, Florence Middle School, and student Jackson Sneed for being selected as the only alto saxophonist to compete at the ABA Junior High All-State competition.

Congratulations to Mrs. Heather Newell, Mrs. Laurie Fowler, Mrs. Daphnae Hogan and Mrs. Tracie Richter, Fourth Grade Teachers at Weeden Elementary School, for being awarded a \$3,520 grant. They and their students will use the grant to tour the state capitol and surrounding areas.

Congratulations to Dr. Shirley Coker, Principal of Harlan Elementary School, for being awarded a \$5,000 grant for 12 Harlan staff members to attend the *Leader in Me* Symposium February 2-3, 2012.