

Awards of Excellence October 8, 2013

Congratulations to Ms. Tammy Hollis, Florence Middle School Language Arts Teacher, and her student, Abby Wesson, for winning 2nd place in the Poetry/Grades 5-7 Division of the Alabama School of Fine Arts' Young Writers' Literary Awards.

Congratulations to Ms. Darlene Freemon, Florence High School Creative Writing Teacher, and her student, April Hornbuckle, for winning Columbia Scholastic Press Association All-Columbian Honors for Visual.

Congratulations to Chris Burton for being selected as a National Achievement Outstanding Participant. The National Achievement Scholarship Program recognizes the accomplishments of the top 3% of students across the country with the honor of being named National Achievement – Outstanding Participant.

Congratulations to Thomas Solomon and Amaryst Parks for being selected as National Achievement Semi-Finalists. The National Achievement Scholarship Program recognized 1,600 African-American high school seniors across the country and has awarded over \$103 million since 1964. These students took the PSAT as 11th graders and scored among the top 1% in the nation's African-American students.

Congratulations to Tanner Crosslin for being selected as a National Merit Semi-Finalist. This year there were approximately 1.5 million students across the country that entered the National Merit Scholarship Program by sitting for PSAT test as high school juniors. Only the top 1% of those students across the country is recognized as semi-finalists.

Congratulations to Harlan Elementary School for being highlighted as this quarter's success story for the state publication, Actions of Healthy Kids.

Congratulations to Mrs. Katie Dalrymple, Florence High School Drama Teacher, for her selection as the Vice Chair of the Alabama Conference of Theatre.

Congratulations to Mrs. Lynne Hice, Principal of Florence High School, and Mr. Rod Sheppard, Principal of Florence Freshman Center, for having an article published in the September 2013 issue of the Alabama Association of Secondary School Principals Newsletter.