

Twelve School Districts Earn Awards from the Mississippi School Boards Association

Congratulations to the students, parents, teachers, administrators and school board members recently honored by the Mississippi School Boards Association's Lighthouse School Leader Awards Program. Districts were spotlighted for their students' achievement on tests administered last spring. The Beacon Awards, which require an overall student achievement index of 200 or above and that growth expectations be met, were awarded to **Pass Christian** and the **Booneville** School Districts. The Lantern Awards, which require an achievement index of 180 to 200 and that growth expectations be met, were awarded to nine school districts: **Clinton, Corinth, Enterprise, Lamar County, Long Beach, Madison County, New Albany, Ocean Springs, and Pontotoc** school districts. South Delta Elementary School, in the **South Delta School District**, was awarded the Torch Award, which recognizes a school in a high-poverty district that reported an overall student achievement index of 180 and also met growth expectations set by the Mississippi Department of Education.