Two schools recognized by National PTA

Laukhuf Elementary and Foster Traditional Academy are two of only 170 schools nationwide that have been named 2014-16 National Parent Teacher Association (PTA) Schools of Excellence. Only one other school in Kentucky has received the designation.

According to the National PTA, “Research shows that when families and schools work together, student achievement increases, schools improve, and communities grow stronger. Being recognized with the National PTA School of Excellence designation demonstrates these schools’ leadership nationwide and their commitment to partnering with families to support student success and continuous school improvement.”

Through the National PTA School of Excellence Program, a PTA partners with its school at the beginning of a school year to examine how families feel the school measures up to the research-based indicators of the National Standards for Family-School Partnerships.

After evaluating their current family engagement strategies, the PTA and school then work together throughout the year to address barriers and find new ways for families to support student success. The National PTA School of Excellence designation is awarded when families feel the school has achieved a high level of engagement or when the PTA and school have made substantive, positive improvement in families’ perceptions since the beginning of the year.

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