Welcome and Introductions

Dr. Jeffrey Maher
Chief Strategic Officer

Remarks

Mrs. Karin M. Bailey
Chairman, Board of Education

Ms. Sarah Penrod
President, EASMC

Remarks by the SMCPS 2020-2021 Washington Post Principal of the Year

Ms. Janet Fowler
Principal, Greenview Knolls Elementary School

Staff Recognitions

Elementary School Representatives

Remarks by the SMCPS 2020-2021 Educational Support Professional of the Year

Ms. Irene Hall
Food Service Manager,
Spring Ridge Middle School

Middle School Representatives

Remarks by the SMCPS 2020-2021 Teachers of the Year

Ms. Jennifer Rea
Washington Post Teacher of the Year
Science Teacher, Esperanza Middle School

Ms. April Ryan
Maryland State Teacher of the Year
Art Teacher, George Washington Carver Elementary School

High School Representatives

Remarks by the SMCPS 2020-2021 Leader of Excellence

Ms. Laurel Dietz
Assistant Principal, Capt. Walter F. Duke Elementary School

Central Office Representatives

Citizens Advisory Committee for Special Education (CACSE) Awards

Mr. Scott Szczesniak
Director of Special Education

Closing Remarks

Dr. J. Scott Smith
Superintendent of Schools

Board of Education of St. Mary’s County

Mrs. Karin M. Bailey, Chairman
Mrs. Cathy Allen, Vice Chairman
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Mrs. Rita Weaver

Ms. Nagesha Ohri,
Student Member
Dr. J. Scott Smith,
Secretary-Treasurer
**Honored Staff**

**ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS**

Benjamin Banneker Elementary School  
OE – Shirley Geisbert  
ESPY – John Queen

Captain Walter Francis Duke Elementary School  
LOE - Laurel Dietz  
OE – Lindsay Chiasson  
ESPY – Keiko Seidenberger

Chesapeake Public Charter School  
OE – Jessica Gascon  
ESPY – Lucinda Lindsay  
SMECO Math TOY – Ashley Kurtz  
SMECO STEM TOY - Erin Mallory

Dynard Elementary School  
OE – Alesha Boyd  
ESPY – Melissa Burroughs*

Evergreen Elementary School  
OE – Ambur Boekhout  
ESPY – Kimberly Bacon

George Washington Carver Elementary School  
OE – April Ryan*  
ESPY – Micki Bell

Green Holly Elementary School  
OE – Gennifer Koebke*  
ESPY – David Holmes*

Greenview Knolls Elementary School  
POY - Janet Fowler  
OE – Vanessa Hodge*  
ESPY – Layne Thompson

Hollywood Elementary School  
OE – Emilli Braithwaite  
ESPY – Karen Dooley  
SMECO Science TOY - Jennifer Venendaal

Leonardtown Elementary School  
LOE - Greg LaCount  
OE – Noel Farrell  
ESPY – Kimberly Hamilton

Lettie Marshall Dent Elementary School  
OE – Gail Brinsky  
ESPY – Kimberly Taylor

Lexington Park Elementary School  
OE – Christina Baker  
ESPY – Laverne Reid

Mechanicsville Elementary School  
OE – Jamie Penny  
ESPY – Robin Post

Oakville Elementary School  
OE – Joni Cummins  
ESPY – Judy Davies*

Park Hall Elementary School  
OE – Kristen Gyorgy  
ESPY – Amanda Huffman*

Piney Point Elementary School  
OE – Ashly Bean  
ESPY – Kimberly Bacon

Ridge Elementary School  
OE – Jane Miller-Pankiewicz  
ESPY – Marguerite Koutnik

Town Creek Elementary School  
OE – Christen Ganley  
ESPY – Erin Horner

White Marsh Elementary School  
POY - Julia Steele  
OE – Sabrina Lockwood*  
ESPY – Phyllis Watters*

**MIDDLE SCHOOLS**

Esperanza Middle School  
OE – Jennifer Rea*  
ESPY – Emily Howe  
SMECO Math TOY - Paul Quade

Leonardtown Middle School  
POY – Deborah Dennie  
OE – Tamera Payne  
ESPY – Jacqueline Jones  
SMECO Science TOY – Neenah Byle

Margaret Brent Middle School  
OE – Rachel Harmon  
ESPY – Mary Jo Sargent

Spring Ridge Middle School  
POY - Wendy Zimmerman  
OE – Katherine Sushinsky*  
ESPY – Irene Hall*

**HIGH SCHOOLS**

Chopticon High School  
LOE - Shelly McDaniel  
OE – Rachael Sichko  
ESPY – Loretta Tyler*

Great Mills High School  
OE –Rebecca Wait  
ESPY – Laura Skarwecki  
SMECO STEM TOY - Nora Blasko

**Abbreviations**

* Finalist  
POY: Principal of the Year  
LOE: Leader of Excellence  
OE: Outstanding Educator  
TOY: Teacher of the Year for SMECO  
ESPY: Educational Support Professional of the Year

**Congratulations to all our nominees.**