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2016 VSBA GREEN SCHOOLS CHALLENGE WINNERS ANNOUNCED
29 School Divisions Certified as “Green School Divisions”

November 16, 2016 - Three school divisions received top awards in the 2016 Virginia School Boards Association’s (VSBA) Green Schools Challenge, a friendly competition designed to encourage implementation of specific environmental policies and practical actions that reduce the carbon emissions generated by both the local school division and the broader community. This is the seventh year the awards were given out.

The three student population category winners were recognized today at the VSBA Annual Convention being held in Williamsburg. In addition, 29 school divisions were recognized as being Certified Green School Divisions by implementing new actions and adopting new policies that earn the divisions “green points”. The VSBA Green Schools Challenge was sponsored by Moseley Architects and ABM Building & Energy Solutions.

Green Schools Challenge Winners

- Buckingham County Public Schools (Student Population Under 5,000)
- Culpeper County Public Schools (Student Population 5,001 – 10,000)
- Albemarle County Public Schools (Student Population 10,001 & Up)

VSBA Certified Green School Divisions

Platinum Certification (175-200 “green points”)
Albemarle County Public Schools
Arlington County Public Schools
Buckingham County Public Schools
Chesapeake City Public Schools
Culpeper County Public Schools
Fairfax County Public Schools
Frederick County Public Schools
Gloucester County Public Schools

Isle of Wight County Public Schools
Loudoun County Public Schools
Newport News City Public Schools
Nottoway County Public Schools
Prince William County Public Schools
Roanoke County Public Schools
Stafford County Public Schools
Virginia Beach City Public Schools

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**Gold Certification (150-174 “green points”)**
Caroline County Public Schools
Charlotte County Public Schools
Fauquier County Public Schools
Halifax County Public Schools
Henry County Public Schools
Manassas City Public Schools
Middlesex County Public Schools
Patrick County Public Schools
Shenandoah County Public Schools

**Silver Certification (125-149 “green points”)**
Augusta County Public Schools
Hopewell City Public Schools
Prince Edward County Public Schools

**Green Certification (100-124 “green points”)**
Goochland County Public Schools

**About the Virginia School Boards Association**
The Virginia School Boards Association, a voluntary, nonpartisan organization of Virginia school boards, promotes excellence in public education through leadership, advocacy and services. The Association offers conferences, information, training, and counseling designed to meet the needs of the Commonwealth's educational leaders.

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