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Governor Terry McAuliffe Awarded the 2017 Virginia School Boards Association's Legislative Award of Excellence

Charlottesville, VA – On September 28, 2017, Virginia Governor Terry McAuliffe was awarded the 2017 VSBA Legislative Award of Excellence. Since 1985, the VSBA has honored individuals with the annual VSBA Legislative Award of Excellence to recognize their work on behalf of public education and the VSBA.

Governor McAuliffe has been a true advocate for Virginia Public Schools since taking office. Over the past four years, Governor McAuliffe has continually committed to public school funding and has worked tirelessly to assist struggling school divisions across the Commonwealth. In addition, he has continually vetoed bills that he deemed would have an “undermining” effect on the state’s public schools.

“Virginia’s economic prosperity is inextricably linked to our world-class public schools,” **said Governor Terry McAuliffe.** “I appreciate the Virginia School Boards Association’s continued partnership in improving student outcomes and investing in our future. Together, we are transforming the way we approach education in the 21st century and creating a foundation for long-term success.”

“The VSBA is honored to present Governor McAuliffe with the VSBA Legislative Award of Excellence”, stated VSBA President Robert Hundley, Jr., “Governor McAuliffe has demonstrated his continued support of public education through legislative deference to Virginia’s local school divisions. His administration has partnered closely with VSBA creating innovative accountability measures, recognizing teaching excellence and providing an equitable allocation of resources allowing the students of the Commonwealth to receive a relevant and dynamic 21st Century public education.”

About the Virginia School Boards Association

Virginia School Boards Association, a voluntary, nonpartisan organization of Virginia school boards, promotes excellence in public education through advocacy, training 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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