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Regional School Board Members of the Year Announced at VSBA Annual Convention

November 17, 2021 – This afternoon, at the opening general session of the Virginia School Boards Association (VSBA) Annual Convention in Williamsburg, VA, Mary Benjamin (Dinwiddie County School Board) and Robert Holt (Franklin City School Board) were awarded the *VSBA Regional School Board Member of the Year* award in recognition of their boardsmanship qualities and active involvement in promoting student achievement in their local divisions. This award can be given to one school board member per the VSBA nine regions each year. This is the 20th year that awards have been presented.



Benjamin VSBA Southside Region (Dinwiddie County)



Holt VSBA Tidewater Region (Franklin City)

"It is a pleasure to recognize both Mrs. Benjamin and Mr. Holt for their dedication and the outstanding work that they do on behalf of public education in Virginia," said VSBA president, Janet Turner-Giles. Mary has served on the Dinwiddie County School Board for 5 years. Robert has served on the Franklin City School Board for 9 years.

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 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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