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**IN RECOGNITION OF  
2016 EXEMPLARY HIGH PERFORMING SCHOOL  
NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL  
LEXINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
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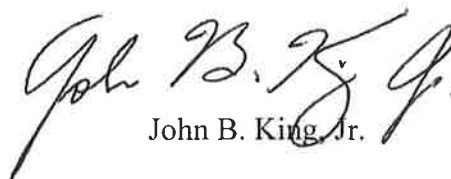
Congratulations on your recognition as a 2016 Exemplary High Performing School National Blue Ribbon School! Your school is an inspiring example of how teachers, staff, administrators, parents, and community leaders can all work together to educate our nation's young people.

The U.S. Department of Education is pleased to acknowledge your efforts in helping all of your students realize their intellectual, artistic, social, and practical gifts and equipping them with the knowledge and skills to succeed in a global economy driven by innovation.

As a 2016 National Blue Ribbon School, you are proof that with high expectations, intensive collaboration, and dedication to every student's well-being, it is possible for all students in America to receive an education that prepares them for a rapidly changing world. Your commitment to your students creates possibilities for the next generation.

The U.S. Department of Education looks forward to celebrating your accomplishments at the 2016 National Blue Ribbon School Awards Ceremony in Washington, D.C., November 7-8, 2016. Ceremony events will be held at the Crystal Gateway Marriott Hotel in Arlington, Virginia. Two representatives from your school are invited to attend. (If the principal at the time of nomination is no longer at the school, he or she is also invited.)

Congratulations on your accomplishments and for rising to the challenge of excellence in education. You remind us that through determination and effort, anything is possible. I wish you and your students continued success in the years ahead, and I urge you to continue to challenge your school to be the very best.

  
John B. King, Jr.