



September 24th, 2020

Dear Principal of **Hodgkins Elementary School**:

Congratulations! **Hodgkins Elementary School** in **La Grange School District 105 South** has been designated an **Exemplary Achievement Gap Closing National Blue Ribbon School for 2020** by U. S. Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos. Your school is one of 367 schools in the nation and one of **21** schools from **Illinois** to be recognized in 2020. Attached is a copy of your school's official letter of designation from Secretary DeVos.

Unfortunately, due to state and local restrictions on in person gatherings to quell the spread of coronavirus infections, the 2020 National Blue Ribbon Schools awards ceremony will not be held in person as planned. We will be holding a virtual recognition ceremony to celebrate your school's success on November 12th and 13th. We will be sending additional information with details for the virtual awards ceremony.

Official National Blue Ribbon Schools Logo

The 2020 National Blue Ribbon Schools Logo is now available to you for your own use. You may access the official camera-ready 2020 National Blue Ribbon School logo in jpg and printer friendly eps formats at <https://nationalblueribbonschools.ed.gov/logo-use>. When using the program's logo, the year must be clearly displayed. All references to your National Blue Ribbon School status on signs, banners, letterheads, tee shirts, etc., must clearly show your year of recognition, that is, **2020**. The official National Blue Ribbon School logo design cannot be modified. If you need the logo in another format, please email Judy at jcercone@rmcres.com with your request.

The list of all 2020 National Blue Ribbon Schools is also available on both the U. S. Department of Education's website at <https://www.ed.gov/nationalblueribbonschools> and National Blue Ribbon Schools website at <https://nationalblueribbonschools.ed.gov>

Congratulations once again on your recognition as a 2020 National Blue Ribbon School. Please reach out to me at 202-401-1767 or email me at aba.kumi@ed.gov if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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