

Pattonville earns sixth consecutive Missouri Distinction in Performance Award

The Pattonville School District recently learned that it has earned its sixth consecutive Distinction in Performance Award from the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE). The award is given to school districts that meet state standards related to academic achievement as measured on the district's annual performance report (APR), which is released by the state each year.

"I want to thank our parents, students and staff members for all their hard work for our children," said Dr. Hugh Kinney, superintendent. "This award recognizes the work they do, everyday, for our students, and it recognizes our students for their diligence in doing their best. I'm proud of our school community and its single-minded focus on improving academic achievement for all. It's a focus that will continue to guide our work in the days and months to come."

Pattonville met 13 out of 14 standards related to academic achievement in the 2005-06 school year. The standards measured on Pattonville's 2006 APR report (and used as criteria for the award) are: Missouri Assessment Program (MAP) scores, ACT scores, students taking advanced courses and career education courses, college placement, career education placement, graduation rate, attendance rate and subgroup achievement. Although Pattonville's attendance rate in 2005-06 was 94 percent, Pattonville did not meet the state standard for attendance rate, and this will be an area of focus in the coming months. In all previous years that Pattonville received the award, it met ALL state standards measured.