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The Virginia High School League is an alliance of Virginia's public high schools that promotes education, leadership, sportsmanship, character and citizenship for students by establishing and maintaining high standards for school activities and competitions.

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CLAUDIA DODSON VHSL SPORTSMANSHIP, ETHICS AND INTEGRITY AWARD WINNERS ANNOUNCED

25 schools earn award presented by Wells Fargo

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. — Twenty-five high schools have been awarded the 2012-13 Claudia Dodson VHSL Sportsmanship, Ethics and Integrity Award which recognizes member schools that have established policies and procedures that make sportsmanship a priority and an expectation within the school and school community. A total of 52 member schools submitted applications with 25 member schools meeting the achievement criteria.

"I consider this to be the Virginia High School League's most prestigious award," said VHSL Deputy Director Tom Zimorski. "It's the only award that the entire school is graded on."

There is no limit on the number of schools that might be recognized in a given year; selection is based on whether or not the school meets the criteria which utilizes a self-assessment checklist of 50 points relating to administration, coaches, student-athletes, cheerleaders, performance groups, student support, parents and spectators. The total score is then adjusted by deducting points for student-athlete ejections, coach ejections and inappropriate behavior at state championship events. Using the adjusted score, a school must score 90 percent or better to qualify.

The award was renamed in 2007 to honor the memory of Claudia Dodson, a VHSL Assistant Director from 1971-2002, who passed away in 2007.

This year's award winners:

Bethel HS, Hampton

(1st recognition)

Booker T. Washington HS, Norfolk

(4th recognition)

Central HS, Woodstock

(2nd recognition)

Chilhowie H.S., Chilhowie

(1st recognition)

East Rockingham H.S., Elkton

(1st recognition)

Frank W. Cox HS, Virginia Beach

(13th recognition)

Grafton HS, Yorktown

(4th recognition)

Granby HS, Norfolk

(2nd recognition)

Grassfield HS, Chesapeake

(6th recognition)

Great Bridge HS, Chesapeake

(10th recognition)

Hickory HS, Chesapeake

(5th recognition)

Kempsville H.S., Virginia Beach

(7th recognition)

Lafayette H.S., Williamsburg

(3rd recognition)

Lake Taylor HS, Norfolk

(6th recognition)

Landstown HS, Virginia Beach

(8th recognition)

Norview HS, Norfolk

(5th recognition)

Oakton H.S., Vienna
(4th recognition)
Patrick Henry HS, Glade Spring
(3rd recognition)
Princess Anne HS, Virginia Beach
(12th recognition)
Radford H.S., Radford
(4th recognition)
Salem HS, Virginia Beach
(8th recognition)
Tabb H.S., Yorktown
(3rd recognition)
Tallwood High School
(10th recognition)
Western Albemarle
(3rd recognition)
Western Branch
(7th recognition)

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