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Outstanding News for Five Texas School Districts

Austin, TX (June 1, 2020)—Texas PTA today announced the recipients for the 2020 Outstanding Educator of the Year Awards:

Dr. Steve Flores, Round Rock ISD
Superintendent of the Year

Maria Elena Pacheco, Dallas ISD
Elementary Teacher of the Year

Dana Vinson, Frenship ISD
Secondary Teacher of the Year

Dr. Debbie Litton, Calallen ISD
Elementary Principal of the Year

Derrice Randle, Rockwall ISD
Secondary Principal of the Year

“Texas PTA recognizes the important role educators and administrators play in our student’s lives,” says Sheri Doss, Texas PTA President. “Our children take on a great deal, but their success is a shared responsibility. The men and women in Texas schools give our students both support and guidance, not to mention a top tier education. We are honored to turn the spotlight back on them!”

Each year, Texas PTA puts out a call for all members to nominate outstanding educators in their communities. Nominations are received from across the state. (This school year alone, over 2300 campus PTAs and 520,000 volunteers help make up the strong voice and presence of PTA in Texas.) After a careful review process, selections are made in the spring. Both the nomination and nominee profile carry weight in the decision process.

Awardees have been extended a special invitation to attend the Talk of Texas Lunch on October 17, 2020, during the association's statewide convention in Dallas (moved from the original July date due to COVID-19). During the event, this year’s Outstanding Educators and their nominees will take the stage in front of a room packed with their biggest PTA fans.

“The Talk of Texas Lunch is a special event,” added Magen Davis, Texas PTA Director of Events and Programs. “More than an awards ceremony, it is a collection of priceless moments between our volunteers and the people who truly shine in our schools and school districts.”

Before October, Texas PTA will also celebrate the achievements of the 2020 Outstanding Educators at fall board meetings for their school districts. For more information on the nomination process, visit <https://www.txpta.org/share-the-love>.

Texas PTA’s Outstanding Educator of the Year Awards are sponsored by Randolph-Brooks Federal Credit Union (RBFCU), a trusted community partner in Texas. Visit <https://www.rbfcu.org>.