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### Virginia’s 2018 National Outstanding Assistant Principal Kaitlyn Engelmeier-Foor



Mrs. Kaitlyn Engelmeier-Foor



#### Special Guests

Darci Whitehead, Principal, Kaitlyn, Dr. Steve Walts, Superintendent, PWCS, Jim Baldwin, Executive Director, VAESP, Mr. William Bixby, Associate Superintendent, Middle Schools, PWCS



#### Family Guests

Husband, Donald Foor, Kaitlyn, Father, Ed Engelmeier, Principal, Darci Whitehead, Mother, Kathy Engelmeier, Jim Baldwin, Executive Director, VAESP

Woodbridge, VIRGINIA – February, 2018 — Kaitlyn Engelmeier-Foor, Assistant Principal of Mary G. Porter Traditional School in Woodbridge, VA was selected as Virginia’s 2018 National Outstanding Assistant Principal of the Year (NOAP). The award is presented each year as a collaborative effort between the National Association of Elementary School Principals (NAESP) and the Virginia Association of Elementary School Principals (VAESP). The NOAP program promotes educational excellence for pre-kindergarten through eighth grade (PreK-8) schooling and calls attention to the fundamental importance of the assistant principal in every school. It is through this award that VAESP and NAESP honors assistant principals who are doing a superb job in their positions and have brought about positive change in their respective schools.

Mrs. Engelmeier-Foor received her award in a surprise presentation before students and staff on Wednesday, February 28, 2018. In attendance to honor Mrs. Engelmeier-Foor were family and friends including her parents Mr. and Mrs. Engelmeier of Pittsburg, PA, Husband, Donald Foor, Superintendent of Schools, PWCS, Dr. Steve Walts, Associate Superintendent Middle Schools, Mr. William Bixby and Jim Baldwin, Executive Director, VAESP.

Mrs. Engelmeier-Foor was nominated and selected through a statewide search process conducted by VAESP. She holds Bachelor of Science Degrees in History and Social Studies Education from the University of Pittsburgh and a Master’s Degree in Supervision and Evaluation of Instruction from George Mason University. She has served as assistant principal at Mary G. Porter Traditional School since 2011. Prior to her current assignment, she served as Teacher on Administrative Assignment and taught Gifted Education and 7/8 Social Studies all at Mary G. Porter Traditional School. This summer, Mrs. Engelmeier-Foor will be honored with well-deserved recognition at the Annual VAESP Conference in Williamsburg, Virginia and at the NAESP Convention in Orlando, Florida.

The criteria for the National Outstanding Assistant Principal award are set by VAESP and NAESP. It requires that the honoree be an active assistant principal of a school where programs are designed to meet the academic and social needs of all students; demonstrates exceptional leadership in a particular school program; is respected by students, colleagues, parents, and the community at large; and sets high expectations for school staff and students.

Mrs. Engelmeier-Foor is actively involved in her school, her division and her community. She is recognized for creating significant trusting relationships and leading change through modeling. She recognizes the importance of the work of an educator and the impact it can have on a young person's life. All of our students feel connected to her in a heartfelt and personal way. The building of a positive school community starts with having these trusted relationships. She exemplifies positive modeling through which teachers and school community understand fully the expectations and purpose of change. All are able to see the benefits, recognize the hardships, and implement with purpose. Her dedication to students, staff, her profession and her community is evident in all that she does.

Since 1970, The Virginia Association of Elementary School Principals has served as Virginia's professional educational association and now represents over 1,000 of elementary and middle school principals throughout the state. VAESP maintains close ties with the metropolitan Washington-based National Association of Elementary School Principals and its 30,000 members nationwide.

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