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Ascension Parish Proclaims G.W. Carver Primary School Day

G.W. Carver Primary School in Gonzales was honored by Ascension Parish government for receiving The Founder's Award from the National Institute for Excellence in Teaching, the highest award that national education organization gives.

President Kenny Matassa proclaimed April 20 2017 as G.W. Carver Primary School Day in recognition of this great achievement.

Carver implemented the TAP System for Teacher and Student Advancement in 2012 and since then has been transformed into a place where teachers are motivated to lead, and students are energized to maximize their potential. Carver's commitment to excellence, perseverance, and hard work has turned the big ideas of positive change into realities—outstanding teachers, measured student achievement growth, and proud students and parents.

The Founder's Award comes with a \$50,000 cash prize, to be used to further improve student performance.

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Photo Tag: Left to Right – Carver teachers Meredith Eckard, Frances Savoy, Shelbie Fontenot, Martha Babin, and Kandice Oubre; Councilman Travis Turner; teachers Laura Roussel and Elizabeth Stafford; Assistant Superintendent of Schools A. Denise Graves; Ascension CAO Ken Dawson; Carver Principal Latatia Johnson; teacher Michael Sharper; Carver Assistant Principal Britney Allen; and teachers Christie Spohn, Chiye Fox, Jami Fontenot and Lindsey Taylor.

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