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Five Arkansas Schools Named 2020 National Blue Ribbon Schools

LITTLE ROCK — The U.S. Department of Education today named five Arkansas schools as 2020 National Blue Ribbon Schools. The schools are recognized for their overall academic performance or progress in closing achievement gaps among student subgroups.

Exemplary High Performing Schools

- Bernice Young Elementary School in the Springdale School District
- Jefferson Elementary School in the Little Rock School District
- Saint Joseph Catholic School (Fayetteville) in the Diocese of Little Rock

Exemplary Achievement Gap Closing Schools

- Crawford Elementary School in the Russellville School District
- Eudora Elementary School in the Lakeside School District (Chicot County)

“Congratulations to these five schools on achieving this prestigious national honor,” Arkansas Department of Education Secretary Johnny Key said. “These schools serve as role models to all schools in the state and demonstrate the importance of providing an excellent education to all students.”

The 317 public and 50 non-public National Blue Ribbon Schools from across the country will be recognized November 12 and 13 during a virtual awards ceremony. To learn more about the program, visit <https://www2.ed.gov/programs/nclbbrs/index.html>.

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