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SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE

Diana L. Mitchell., Ed.D., Superintendent

DATE: August 21, 2017

NDHS Commitment 180 All Day- Every Day Annual Celebration Banquet



Four years ago, North Dorchester High School began the Commitment 180- All Day- Every Day initiative, and students continue to rise to the challenge of attending school for 180 school days, all day. On Thursday August 10, 2017, students and their families joined Principal Sorrells to celebrate the perfect attendance recipients for the 2016-2017 school year. When the Commitment 180 initiative began, we were able to honor 17 students who achieved perfect attendance, and on the evening of August 10th North Dorchester honored 31 students who maintained perfect attendance. Mayor Joyce Spratt catered a banquet dinner for the honorees' and their families at the East New Market Fire Hall. Joined by members of the band, led by Band Director Mike Hughes, the evening was a reminder of the strength and support North Dorchester's school culture. The keynote address was provided by our local Truancy Reduction Program Coordinator, Mrs. Kendall Guy. Her encouraging message continued the theme of the Commitment 180 initiative, emphasizing the importance of committing to overcoming obstacles to secure their continued educational success. Mrs. Guy also continued to thank families for their pledge to establishing a life-long habit of holding fast to commitments, punctuality, and reliability. Superintendent of Dorchester County Public Schools, Dr. Diana Mitchell kindly provided closing remarks for students and families, reiterating the significance of making a COMMITMENT to education, with attendance being a primary component to ensure success.

Commitment 180- All Day- Every Day continues to be a focus for the 2017-2018 school year with events to celebrate attendance, appearance and academic success.