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## **Governor Musgrove Announces Winners of Third Annual Governor's Awards**

(Jackson, MS) –Today, Governor Ronnie Musgrove announced the winners of the third annual Governor's Awards for Outstanding School Community Partnerships at the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Partners in Education Seminar.

“Business partnerships are so vital because it demonstrates the direct link between good schools and strong businesses, which lead to good communities and a better Mississippi,” said Musgrove. “Our children need to know that they have the support of their families, teachers, and the entire community.”

Winners in each of the five categories are as follows:

- Elementary Division - Charles B. Murphy Elementary & Community Partners Pearlinton, MS
- High School Division - Grenada High School, Grenada County 4H and Grenada County Extension Service/MSUES
- Multi-level Division - Gulfport School District and Coast Medical Alliance
- District and Community Wide - Natchez Adams School District Partners in Education
- Partnership Ambassador for Education Award - Robert Abraham, Subway of Clinton

The 16 finalist in the Governor's Awards program involved more than 775 community volunteers and 23,000 students. Some of the activities that are possible because of the partnerships are the development of the book buddy programs, a teen parenting program, mentoring, a child nutrition program, and a store for teachers supplies.

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The Governor also recognized the following businesses and organizations that have shown extraordinary support for K12 schools and students throughout the state by inducting them into the Governor's Honor Roll for Exemplary Support of K12 education:

- Mississippi Development Authority's Mississippi Career Resource Network
- Mississippi Early Childhood Association
- People's Bank & Trust Company
- North Mississippi Medical Center
- Mississippi Economic Council

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