

2007-08 Staff Achievements

Milton Somers made AYP (Adequate Yearly Progress) in all areas of the Maryland State Assessment ([MSA](#)) as required by No Child Left Behind.

John Lancaster, Building Service Manager, was recognized as an Exemplary Employee at the October 9th Board Meeting. In addition to efficiently managing the building service staff that keeps our school a clean welcome place for the students and staff, Mr. Lancaster has taken a significant role in the renovation project at Somers. He serves as a consultant to the construction contractors to ensure the building and grounds maintain an environment that is safe and conducive to day-to-day operations. He frequently works long hours during the week and weekends to ensure the building is prepared for the staff and students. Mr. Lancaster is loyal, hardworking, energetic, sympathetic, a good problem solver and a good person. He is truly an exemplary employee.

Stephanie Wesolowski, Principal, was recognized as a recipient of the *Washington Post* Distinguished Leadership Award. She was presented with this award during a ceremony that was held in November 2007 at the *Washington Post* in Washington, D.C. The *Washington Post* each year honors outstanding principals throughout the metropolitan area through its educational foundation. A committee reviews nominations throughout the school system and one principal is chosen to represent Charles County in the program as its Principal of the Year. "This award is well deserved. Ms. Wesolowski is an excellent principal and I appreciate the leadership she has provided to help her students achieve success. Milton Somers has a long history of excellence and Ms. Wesolowski is carrying on the tradition of quality at Somers," said Superintendent of Schools, James E. Richmond.

Maryland School of Character Award 2007 was awarded to Milton Somers on September 27, 2007.

PBIS Green Ribbon Award 2007 was awarded to Milton Somers in August 2007.