



# 2020 National Blue Ribbon Schools Awards Ceremony

November 12, Begins at 1:00 p.m. EST

November 13, Awards Part I 10:00 a.m. Awards Part II 2:00 p.m. EST

Congratulations 2020 National Blue Ribbon Schools and 2020 Terrel H. Bell Awardees!

Join us for this exciting two-day virtual event! During the virtual NBRs ceremony, you will hear from several guest speakers, receive congratulatory remarks, hear from this year's Bell Awardees, and join your peers in the presentation of awards. A detailed agenda is provided below.

## Featured Presenters

**November 12,  
2020**



*Amanda Gorman,*  
Youth Poet Laureate



*Betsy DeVos*  
Secretary of Education



*Tabatha Rosproy*  
National Teacher of the Year

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*Aba Kumi*  
Director, NBRs  
Program



*Frank Brogan*  
Assistant Secretary of  
Education



*Annette Jones*  
Educational Consultant and  
NBRs Principal

**Students**



*Blake Hopkins*



*Tyler Branch*



*Arya Anoush Balian*

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## National Blue Ribbon Schools Virtual Awards Ceremony Agenda

Thursday, November 12

### GENERAL SESSION

1:00 p.m. EST

#### WELCOME

**Adam Honeysett**, Managing Director, State and Local Engagement, Office of Communications and Outreach, U.S. Department of Education

#### THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

**Blake Hopkins**, 3<sup>rd</sup> year student at Boston Conservatory at Berklee

#### FEATURED SPEAKER

*Introductions by Adam Honeysett*

**Amanda Gorman**, National Youth Poet Laureate

#### CONGRATULATORY REMARKS FROM PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS

*Introductions of Partners by Frances Hopkins, Director, President's Education Awards Program  
Office of Communications and Outreach, U.S. Department of Education*

**L. Earl Franks**, Executive Director

National Association of Elementary School Principals

**Stephanie Simpson**, Executive Director and **James Barnes**, Board of Trustee Chair

Association for Middle Level Education

**JoAnn Bartoletti**, Executive Director

National Association of Secondary School Principals

#### CONGRATULATORY REMARKS FROM THE SECRETARY OF EDUCATION

*Introductions by Tyler Branch, 6<sup>th</sup> grader from Howard University Middle School of Mathematics and Science Charter School*

**Betsy DeVos**, Secretary of Education

U.S. Department of Education

#### PRESENTATION OF THE 2020 TERREL H. BELL AWARDS FOR OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP

*Introductions by Dr. Bryan Hale, School Ambassador Fellow, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, U.S. Department of Education*

### KEYNOTE SPEAKER

2:30 p.m. EST

#### NATIONAL TEACHER OF THE YEAR

*Introductions by Meghan Everette, Teacher Ambassador Fellow, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, U.S. Department of Education*

**Tabatha Rosproy**, Preschool Teacher

Windfield Early Learning center, Winfield, Kansas

Friday, November 13

## 2020 AWARDS CEREMONY

**PART 1 TIME ZONES: Eastern + DoDEA + AL, AR, IL**

**10:00 a.m. EST**

### WELCOME

**Aba Kumi**, Director, National Blue Ribbon Schools Program  
Office of Communications and Outreach  
U.S. Department of Education

### OPENING PERFORMANCE

#### **America the Beautiful**

Arya Anoush Balian, 11<sup>th</sup> grader at National Cathedral School, Washington, DC

### KEYNOTE SPEAKER

*Introductions by Arya Anoush Balian*

**Frank Brogan**, Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education  
U.S. Department of Education

### AWARD COMMENTATION

**Aba Kumi**

### PRESENTATION OF 2020 NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL AWARDS

Order: CT, DE, DoDEA, DC, FL, GA, IN, ME, MD, MA MI, NH, NJ, NY, NC, OH, PA, RI, SC, VA, WV, AL, AR, IL

## FEATURED PRESENTATION

**1:00 p.m. EST**

### STRATEGIES FOR LEVERAGING YOUR NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL AWARD

*Introductions by Joe Masgai, Principal, Afton Elementary School, 2019 NBRS & School Ambassador Fellow, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, U.S. Department of Education*

#### **Annette Jones**

Educational Consultant, Principal, St. John Regional Catholic School, Frederick, MD

Learn practical strategies and activities on how to celebrate and leverage your school's award from a former NBRS principal.

## AWARDS CEREMONY

**PART II TIME ZONES: Central, Mountain, Pacific, Alaska, + Hawaii**

**2:00 p.m. EST**

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