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March 31, 2009

TO THE INDIVIDUAL ADDRESSED:

Re: State Board of Education Heroes for Children Award

The State Board of Education is now accepting applications for the 2009 Heroes for Children Award. This annual award recognizes public school volunteers who have been strong advocates for Texas schoolchildren.

Volunteers may be nominated by individual persons or by organizations. Educational employees and elected government officials are not eligible to be nominated for this award. Also, organizations are not eligible to be nominated for this award.

The application form is available at the Texas Education Agency web site at http://www.tea.state.tx.us/index4.aspx?id=4140. The State Board of Education will select 15 Heroes for Children—one person from each of the 15 State Board of Education districts. Heroes will be honored during the State Board of Education's September 2009 meeting.

Completed applications must be received by 5 p.m. on Friday, May 29, 2009. Applications should be sent to Heroes for Children, Communications Division, Texas Education Agency, 1701 North Congress Avenue, Room 2-180, Austin, Texas 78701-1494.

Applications may also be faxed to 512-463-5947, or emailed to Heroes@tea.state.tx.us. For more information, please call DeEtta Culbertson at 512-463-9839 or email at the above email address.

Sincerely,

Don McLeroy, Chair State Board of Education