The Department is proud to announce the 2020 Teacher and Principal of the Year finalists. These educators are making exceptional gains with students, leading them to achieve at the highest levels in the state.

All Teacher and Principal of the Year finalists and semi-finalists will be honored at the 13th Annual Cecil J. Picard Educator Excellence Symposium and Celebration on Friday, July 19, 2019 at the Crowne Plaza Executive Center in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. This event is co-sponsored by Dream Teachers.

Congratulations to these outstanding educators!

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