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*The Virginia High School League is an alliance of Virginia's public high schools and non-boarding private schools that promotes education, leadership, sportsmanship, character and citizenship for students by establishing and maintaining high standards for school activities and competitions*

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## CLAUDIA DODSON VHSL SPORTSMANSHIP, ETHICS AND INTEGRITY AWARD WINNERS ANNOUNCED

*39 schools earn award presented by Wells Fargo*

**CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va.** — Thirty-nine high schools have been awarded the 2015-16 Claudia Dodson VHSL Sportsmanship, Ethics and Integrity Award, which recognizes member schools that have established policies and procedures that make sportsmanship a priority and an expectation within the school and school community.

"I consider this to be the Virginia High School League's most prestigious award," said VHSL assistant director Tom Dolan. "It's the only award that the entire school is graded on."

There is no limit on the number of schools that might be recognized in a given year. The selection process includes a self-assessment and a peer review.

1. The school self-assessment includes 50 one-point areas.
  - a) Schools with no ejections must meet an 80% threshold
  - b) Schools with one ejection must meet a 90% threshold
  - c) Schools with more than one ejection are not eligible for the award in that year
2. Each school must solicit and have submitted directly to VHSL Assistant Director for Compliance Tom Dolan three peer review recommendations from schools which they participate with on a regular basis.
  - a) Recommendations for school with no ejections must meet the 80% threshold
  - b) Recommendations for school with one ejection must meet the 90% threshold
3. Schools whose program(s) are on warning are not eligible for the Claudia Dodson Award.

The award was renamed in 2007 to honor the memory of Claudia Dodson, a VHSL Assistant Director from 1971-2002 and a National High School Fame 2003 inductee, who passed away in 2007.

#### **Auburn**

(1st recognition)

#### **John S. Battle**

(3rd recognition)

#### **John I. Burton**

(2<sup>nd</sup> recognition)

#### **Caroline**

(1st recognition)

#### **Central-Woodstock**

(4<sup>th</sup> recognition)

#### **Chilhowie**

(4<sup>th</sup> recognition)

#### **Christiansburg**

(3<sup>rd</sup> recognition)

#### **Dominion**

(3<sup>rd</sup> recognition)

#### **Eastern Montgomery**

(6<sup>th</sup> recognition)

#### **First Colonial**

(13<sup>th</sup> recognition)

#### **Forest Park**

(1<sup>st</sup> recognition)

#### **Fort Defiance**

(1<sup>st</sup> recognition)

**Gate City**  
(1<sup>st</sup> recognition)  
**Glenvar**  
(3<sup>rd</sup> recognition)  
**Granby**  
(4<sup>th</sup> recognition)  
**Green Run**  
(4<sup>th</sup> recognition)  
**Hickory**  
(8<sup>th</sup> recognition)  
**Holston**  
(3<sup>rd</sup> recognition)  
**Floyd Kellam**  
(4<sup>th</sup> recognition)  
**Kempsville**  
(9<sup>th</sup> recognition)  
**King William**  
(1<sup>st</sup> recognition)  
**Lakeland**  
(1<sup>st</sup> recognition)  
**Lake Taylor**  
(9<sup>th</sup> recognition)  
**Landstown**  
(10<sup>th</sup> recognition)  
**R.E. Lee-Staunton**  
(1<sup>st</sup> recognition)  
**Lord Botetourt**  
(1<sup>st</sup> recognition)

**Maury**  
(7<sup>th</sup> recognition)  
**William Monroe**  
(2<sup>nd</sup> recognition)  
**Northwood**  
(1<sup>st</sup> recognition)  
**Oakton**  
(5<sup>th</sup> recognition)  
**Ocean Lakes**  
(18<sup>th</sup> recognition)  
**Phoebus**  
(2<sup>nd</sup> recognition)  
**Princess Anne**  
(18<sup>th</sup> recognition)  
**Radford**  
(6<sup>th</sup> recognition)  
**Tallwood**  
(13<sup>th</sup> recognition)  
**Booker T. Washington**  
(5<sup>th</sup> recognition)  
**Western Branch**  
(8<sup>th</sup> recognition)  
**Wilson Memorial**  
(1<sup>st</sup> recognition)  
**York**  
(6<sup>th</sup> recognition)