

2017 SESSION

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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 152

Commending Dale City Elementary School.

Agreed to by the Senate, February 22, 2017

WHEREAS, Dale City Elementary School in Woodbridge is celebrating 50 years of educating and nurturing children in Prince William County; and

WHEREAS, opened in April 1967, Dale City Elementary School was the first school in Dale City, and it serves the communities of Ashdale and Birchdale; and

WHEREAS, when Dale City Elementary School opened, it contained 20 classrooms and two rooms for students with disabilities; the opening enrollment was 351 students and, by March of 1968, enrollment had more than doubled and there were 842 students; and

WHEREAS, Dale City Elementary School offers an inclusive setting, where students are challenged to grow emotionally, socially, and intellectually, while respecting each other's individuality and uniqueness; and

WHEREAS, roughly 450 students attend Dale City Elementary School; they are inspired and challenged daily by the talented and dedicated staff of 38 classroom teachers and 15 teacher assistants who work at the school; and

WHEREAS, a major renovation of Dale City Elementary School was completed in 2006, which included updating the classrooms, library, computer lab, and cafeteria; and

WHEREAS, Dale City Elementary School has a team of highly qualified resource teachers who specialize in English for Speakers of Other Languages, learning disabilities, and Title I reading and math; and

WHEREAS, Dale City Elementary School has a center-based program for students with severe disabilities and offers the Strategies for Teaching and Reaching for Talent (START) and Students Involved in Gifted Needs in Education Today (SIGNET) gifted education programs; and

WHEREAS, Dale City Elementary School is extremely proud of its chorus program, which is just one of many school activities in which students enjoy participating; and

WHEREAS, Dale City Elementary School is a diverse family of lifelong learners committed to excellence, and the administration, faculty, and staff work together to constantly improve all aspects of the students' educational experiences; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That Dale City Elementary School hereby be commended on the occasion of its 50th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Cindy Crowe-Miller, principal of Dale City Elementary School, as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's admiration for the school's commitment to all-around excellence and best wishes for a bright future.

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