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THREE DISTRICT SCHOOLS ACHIEVE LIGHTHOUSE STATUS

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(MACON, GA) – Three more Bibb County School District Schools have reached Leader in Me Lighthouse status recently. That brings the total of Lighthouse schools in the District to 10, with Heritage, Porter and Union elementary schools all joining the group that has achieved this milestone.

“The entire Porter community – students, parents, teachers, and staff – has worked very hard to achieve Lighthouse status, especially after returning from COVID,” said Chris Kirby, Principal of Porter Elementary School. “We are honored to join the select group of schools that can call themselves Lighthouse Schools, and we intend to use our new status as a beacon of leadership to our community.”

This designation recognizes the school for implementation of Leader in Me principles, including the “7 Habits of Highly Effective People,” in every phase of school life. Lighthouse certification involves analysis of evidence provided by the school, as well as a site visit from the Leader in Me team.

“It is such an honor to be part of the Leader in Me Lighthouse School family,” said Union Elementary School Principal LaShun Crawford. “I am so proud of my students, parents, community partners, and staff. Achieving this benchmark signifies the commitment of Union's staff to partner with our students, families, and community. The Union community will continue to empower our students to lead and shine each day.”

In achieving this honor, Heritage, Porter, and Union join Bernd Elementary School, Burdell-Hunt Magnet School, Sonny Carter Elementary School, Miller Fine Arts Magnet Middle School, Springdale Elementary School, Veterans Elementary School and Vineville Academy of the Arts. Leader in Me has been implemented districtwide with the support of the Macon-Bibb community through OneMacon and the OneMacon Business Education Partnership.

Vision: Each student will demonstrate strength of character and will be college or career ready.

Mission: The Bibb County School District develops a highly trained staff and an engaged community dedicated to educating each student for a 21st century global society.

“The Leader in Me program has been an excellent community partnership for our school, but more specifically for our students and their families,” said Donna Cline, Principal of Heritage Elementary School. “We know that these principles are important for our students’ long-term success, and that’s why we put in the work to become a Lighthouse school. I am proud of my staff and students for making this achievement possible.”

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