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Two Urban Educators Win National Award

Honored for Curriculum Leadership

WASHINGTON, July 15 – Associate Superintendent Marilyn Doyle, who leads curriculum and student services for Florida's Orange County Public Schools in Orlando, and Chief Academic Officer Kathy Augustine of Atlanta Public Schools today received the nation's top honor in curriculum development and implementation in urban educaton.

Both received the 2010 Council of the Great City Schools/Pearson Education Curriculum Leadership Award at the Council's annual Curriculum and Research Directors Meeting in San Francisco, July 15-17. They each received the \$1,000 award for exemplifying leadership, innovation and commitment in improving academic achievement of students in their respective school districts.

"These two outstanding urban educators were chosen among a number of candidates from the nation's big-city school districts who have spearheaded programs that push reform forward in helping students strive for academic excellence," says Council Executive Director Michael Casserly. "As a result, their school districts have seen important achievement gains in reading and mathematics."