

**ALABAMA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL ASSOCIATION**  
**BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL**  
**2009-2010**

A **BLUE RIBBON** school exemplifies excellence in teaching, student performance, school life, and school and community interaction. A **BLUE RIBBON** award winner is an excellent school involved in an on-going process of school improvement. The Alabama Independent School Association awards a **BLUE RIBBON** to schools that meet and/or exceed the following criteria.

**CRITERIA:**



Accredited by the Alabama Independent School Association.



All professional staff meeting or exceeding the AISA professional criteria.



SAT performance meets and/or exceeds the AISA Complete Battery average (**60%**) in grades 2, 4, 6, and 8; and/or AISA Complete Battery overall average is higher than the school's **national** ability overall average score.



Extra-Curricular opportunities in all of the following areas:

- Academic competition
- Athletic competition
- Arts competition
- Clubs and organizations
- Community Service
- Participation in Spring Convention 2009 & Fall Workshop 2009 and membership in the AISA STATE SGA 2009-2010



Excellent Physical Appearance of School (Buildings and Grounds)



Applied for President's Award and Nominated top student(s) for All State AISA Academic Awards in May 2009.



There are no existing priorities from the accreditation visit.



No major accreditation or athletic sanctions have been placed on the school within the past twelve months.



On-going process of school improvement. A School Improvement Plan is required.



A School-wide Technology Plan must be developed and implemented. **The Technology Plan must include a Mission Statement, Grade level Objectives, School Technology Inventory, Internet Use Policy, Professional Development Activities, Long Range Plans, and Evaluation of Implementation;** Other minimum criteria for each school: Internet access to faculty and students; all students with Alabama Virtual Library cards; designated (not shared) school web-site; media center with Internet access; a Computer curriculum for all grades (K5 - 12), this may be included in the Technology Plan and an adequate number of computers for school student population.

**Due date: Applications and documentation must be in the AISA office no later than December 1, 2009. Please do not submit applications prior to November 1, 2009.**

*NOTE: The Blue Ribbon Award is valid only for the one calendar year.  
All Blue Ribbon schools will be announced in January 2010.*

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APPLICATION**

<b>Date:</b>	
<b>School:</b>	
<b>Headmaster</b>	
<b>Local Board Chairperson:</b>	

We are placing our excellent school in the position to be recognized for our on-going effort to be the best we can be, by applying for the **BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL** status. Please accept the following documentation of requested data to be considered for this prestigious status:

- **Listing of Extra-curricular opportunities (Use an attachment for list).**
- **A narrated Video Tape** of our plant, facilities and grounds; administrative office(s); science laboratory; library; a typical classroom; gymnasium; outdoor physical education apparatus and play area; lunchroom; athletic fields; locker rooms and other areas of choice. Videotapes will be kept on file by the AISA office and applicable for the Blue Ribbon School award for (3) three school years.
- **Submit the School-wide Improvement Plan. (Academic Goals)**
- **Listing** of school's school-wide **Short term, Intermediate and Long range Goals.**
- **A School Technology Plan.** Submit the plan and implementation documentation. Technology: Website address [www.](http://www.) . School must have a designated web-site for the school, not a shared site.
- **Document all listed Blue Ribbon criteria.**

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We understand that other criteria for determination are on hand in the AISA office and will be included in the evaluation. Thanks for considering our school.

<b>Local Board Chairperson Signature:</b>	
<b>Headmaster's Signature:</b>	