

# News Release: PGCPs Office of Accounting Team Receives Prestigious Financial Award

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**UPPER MARLBORO, MD** – Prince George's County Public Schools received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) for its comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR). The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management.

Peggy Harrison, chief accountant in the Accounting and Financial Reporting Office, received an Award of Financial Reporting Achievement. She was designated by the government as primarily responsible for preparing the award-winning CAFR. Harrison has worked with PGCPs for 10 years. This is the first time she has received the award.

The CAFR was judged by an impartial panel to meet the high standards of the program including demonstrating disclosure to communicate the financial story and encourage people to read the CAFR. The GFOA is a nonprofit professional association serving approximately 17,500 government finance professionals with offices in Chicago, IL, and Washington, DC.

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Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPs), one of the nation's 20th largest school districts, has 201 schools and centers, more than 133,000 students and nearly 20,000 employees. The school system serves a diverse student population from urban, suburban and rural communities located in the Washington, DC suburbs. PGCPs is nationally recognized for college and career-readiness programs that provide students with unique learning opportunities, including dual enrollment and language immersion.