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## **AG STRANGE PRESENTS HALEYVILLE HIGH SCHOOL WITH 2014 ATTORNEY GENERAL'S SAFE SCHOOL INITIATIVE AWARD OF EXCELLENCE**

(MONTGOMERY) – Attorney General Strange today presented Haleyville High School in Winston County with the 2014 Attorney General's Safe School Initiative Award of Excellence for Alabama State School District 7. One school was selected as the winner from each of the Alabama State School Board of Education districts.

"The Alabama Safe Schools Initiative Awards of Excellence awards are presented to schools that have performed exceptionally to provide a safe environment for students, with special emphasis on implementation of the Best Practices my office compiled based on last year's recipients," said Attorney General Strange. "I'm pleased that Haleyville High School was selected as one of the eight winning schools in Alabama for 2014. In making this decision, the judges noted many things that distinguished Haleyville High School: officials are proactive to educate students on proper and safe social media and internet habits by partnering with Alabama Bureau of Investigations; they use a technology called 'Blue Iris' that allows any area of the school to be viewed by administrators on their smart phone, tablet, or computer; and they implemented a color-coded flip chart for their safety plan. I am honored to personally present the safe schools award to Haleyville High School."

"Haleyville High School is honored to receive the Attorney General's Safe School Initiative Award of Excellence," said Principal Dr. Holly W. Sutherland. "Mr. Al Temple, assistant principal at HHS, and I believe that this honor is a reflection of the work that our teachers do to prepare our students for situations where their safety could be compromised. This award also reflects the collaboration between Haleyville High School and the City of Haleyville's mayor, Police Department, and Fire Department. Our partnerships with these vital agencies help us to ensure our student's safety. I would like to thank Mr. Temple for preparing our safety portfolio, and we would like to thank our superintendent, Dr. Alan Miller, for his support of Haleyville High School and his dedication to the safety of all students in the Haleyville School System."

Attorney General Strange is personally presenting the awards for the 2014 Awards of Excellence to the eight winning schools during the month of October. Other winning schools throughout the state include Orange Beach Elementary School in Baldwin County, Northington Elementary School in Tuscaloosa County, Lincoln High School in Talladega County, Meadow View Elementary School in Shelby County, Hayden Elementary School in Blount County, Beaugard Elementary School in Lee County and Oak Park Middle School in Morgan County.

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