SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT

DATE: September 2020

STUDENTS: Do you want to be recognized for your community service efforts? We are looking for the student who has demonstrated exemplary community service. Applications can be obtained online for the **Prudential Spirit of Community Awards** at http://spirit.prudential.com or www.nassp.org/spirit. Or call 855-670-4787 for a paper copy.

Once your application is completed, go to the Certification page to either email certification instructions to your counselor or print them and hand-deliver them. These instructions will allow your certifier to review your application on-line. Certifications must arrive to your certifier by November 10, 2020. Your certifier can be Guidance at FBHS or your area Girl Scout Council, American Red Cross Chapter, YMCA or affiliate of Hands On Network. They will then select one or more Local Honorees from the applicants in their schools or organizations, and nominate them for state-level judging. Print out the signature page, sign it, have a parent or guardian sign it and submit it to the application site.

CRITERIA: students in grades 5-12, minimum of 1 year of voluntary community service to a special cause or organization that occurred at least in part during the 12 months prior to the date of the application, all applicants must be legal residents of the US or the District of Columbia.

Applications are judged on the following:

Initiative-Did the applicant initiate the activity or demonstrate exceptional leadership in an already organized activity? *Effort*-How much time and effort did the activity require? Did the applicant overcome any significant obstacles? *Impact* – Were many people affected by the activity, or were individuals impacted in a major way? *Personal Growth* – Did the applicant gain insights or develop new skills from the experience? Did he/she demonstrate a sound understanding of the value of service?

AWARDS: The top Local Honorees will be entered in the state competition for a chance to win \$1,000 and a trip to Washington DC. State winners are then entered in the national competition with a chance to win \$10,000.

DEADLINE: November 10,2020

One student will be selected from the entries to be sent in for state-level judging.