

## Update

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### Thinking of Applying for the BRS Award? This Might Be Your Year!

Early data show that this school year might be a great opportunity to apply for the Blue Ribbon Schools award. Last year 332 schools registered to apply for the program; 135 schools submitted applications; 50 of those were nominated for the award by CAPE (the most we are able to nominate each year), and all 50 ultimately received the award.



So far this year, only 143 schools have registered to apply (the registration deadline is November 30) and only 35 schools have actually started the online application process (the deadline for submitting applications is December 7), suggesting that the odds of receiving the award might be better this year than ever before.

And remember, schools that have won the award prior to 2008 are now eligible to apply again.

Is this the year your school could win the Blue Ribbon Schools award? There are no guarantees, but one thing we know is that "you've got to be in it to win it." Find out more about the program at <[www.capenet.org/brs.html](http://www.capenet.org/brs.html)>.

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