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AG PRESENTS EASTWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN DECATUR WITH 2013 SAFE SCHOOLS AWARD

(MONTGOMERY)— Attorney General Strange presented Eastwood Elementary School in Decatur with the 2013 Attorney General’s Safe School Initiative Award of Excellence at a school assembly today. One school was selected as the winner from each of the Alabama State School Board of Education districts.

“I am honored to award Eastwood Elementary School with a 2013 Award of Excellence for School Board District 6,” said Attorney General Strange. “Ensuring safe schools for our students has never been more important, and this program will help us identify the best practices that schools should be using. I look forward to sharing these best practices with other schools.”

“I am excited that Eastwood was selected to receive the Attorney General’s Safe School Initiative Award of Excellence. Our faculty and staff work diligently each day to ensure the safety of our students,” said Eastwood Elementary Principal Margaret Greer. “Eastwood has tremendous support from all of our community agencies. Mr. Dwight Satterfield, our safety supervisor, is a valued resource to us. Through community resources, our faculty and staff, and the Decatur City School’s central office personnel, the Eastwood stakeholders can be assured that our school is a safe environment for their children.”

Attorney General Strange is personally presenting the awards for the 2013 Awards of Excellence winners at school assemblies during this fall to the eight winning schools. Attorney General Strange expressed special thanks to the Alabama Farmers Federation and Alfa Insurance for their continued financial support of the Alabama Safe Schools Initiative.

*In April, Attorney General Strange announced that his office would be reinstating the Attorney General’s Safe Schools Initiative with a new emphasis on encouraging technological advances to deal with the challenges experienced by today’s schools and students. Nominations were received between April and June, and in August a panel of judges reviewed the nominations to determine a winner from each of the eight state school board districts.

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