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Rhode Island Educators to be Honored in State House Awards Ceremony

PROVIDENCE – About 70 Rhode Island educators will be honored in a State House ceremony tomorrow (Wednesday, May 20th), in recognition of awards they have received during the current school year. Governor Donald L. Carcieri will preside at the ceremony.

Among those honored will be Barbara Walton-Faria (Newport), the 2009 Rhode Island Teacher of the Year; Jennifer Theroux (Barrington), the 2008-09 Milken National Educator Award winner; and the District Teachers of the Year from Barrington, Bristol Warren, Chariho, Coventry, Foster, Johnston, Newport, North Kingstown, North Providence, North Smithfield, South Kingstown, and Woonsocket.

Also, more than 40 teachers who have received national certification this year through the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards will be recognized.

Who: Award-winning Educators of 2008-09
Governor Donald L. Carcieri
Robert G. Flanders, Jr., Esq., Chairman, Board of Regents
Peter McWalters, Commissioner of Elementary and Secondary Education

What: A Celebration of Accomplished Teaching

When: Wednesday, May 20th
4:30 p.m. – reception
5:00 p.m. – ceremony

Where: State House, Providence – State Room

For more information about the honorees, please call:
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