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INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE

The Maine Association for Middle Level Education (MAMLE) and
the New England League of Middle Schools (NELMS)
announces the

11th Annual Scholar Leader Awards Banquet
Thursday, May 20, 2010 at the Augusta Civic Center in Augusta, Maine at 6:00 PM

OBJECTIVE – This program is intended to give public recognition to the two representative students from each middle level school in Maine who has distinguished themselves in terms of outstanding scholarship and leadership. *The selection of these two students will be the responsibility of each school in accordance with the Selection Criteria on the reverse side of this announcement.*

AWARDS BANQUET – The two students selected, two school representatives, and four or six others who want to join the celebration, are invited to attend the statewide Scholar Leader Awards Banquet at the Augusta Civic Center in Augusta, Maine. The Governor, the Commissioner of Education and other dignitaries will be invited. Each student receives a personalized plaque signifying the honor of being chosen as a Scholar Leader and as they receive their award, each recipient is photographed. Photographs are mailed to the winners after the banquet.

COST TO MEMBER SCHOOLS – Schools reserve one table, either a table for 8 or a table for 10, in advance. For NELMS or MAMLE members tables of 8 are \$265.00 and tables of 10 are \$325.00. For members, the Maine Association for Middle Level Education and the New England League of Middle Schools cover costs of the event for the two Scholar Leader Award winners. In other states, organizers have turned to local business or civic organizations, parent organizations, school activity funds, or the parents themselves to help fund their attendance this event. Tickets will not be available at the door.

COST TO NON-MEMBER SCHOOLS – Schools that are not members of the Maine Association for Middle Level Education or the New England League of Middle Schools may also participate in this program, but must cover the costs of the event for the two Scholar Leader Award winners. Therefore, tables may be purchased as noted above (\$265 (8) and \$325 (10)) *plus \$33 for each scholar leader.* If you are interested in MAMLE membership, please contact Wally Alexander at (207) 859-1362. Join NELMS by contacting us at (978) 887-6263, email bmackenzie@nelms.org or download a membership application from www.nelms.org.

RESERVATIONS – NELMS **MUST** receive your completed reservation by **May 3, 2010**. As much as we would like to we are not able to accept registrations after this date. Due to the rigid timeline for coordinating this event, the deadline date must be firm. *This is a fantastic event, many middle level schools will participate and space is limited so register early!* Tables are assigned on a first come first served basis. The Maine Association for Middle Level Education and the New England League of Middle Schools look forward to receiving your reservation. We hope this event will become one of the premiere events of the middle level school year. *Please call Kim O'Hare at the NELMS office at (978) 887-6263 if you have any questions.*

Sincerely,

Scholar Leader Planning Committee
Wally Alexander, Executive Director, Maine Association for Middle Level Education
Robert C. Spear, Acting Executive Director, New England League of Middle Schools

Identify your Scholar Leaders, then Register Early!