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INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE

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

13th Annual Scholar Leader Awards Banquet

Wednesday, June 2, 2010 at the Plumley Armory, Norwich University, Northfield, VT at 6:00 PM

OBJECTIVE – This program is intended to give public recognition to two representative students who are in the middle grades in any school in Vermont that has students who distinguished themselves in terms of outstanding scholarship and leadership. (Smaller schools may recognize one student.) *The selection of these students will be the responsibility of each school, in accordance with the Selection Criteria on the reverse side of this announcement.*

AWARDS BANQUET – The 2 students selected, 2 school representatives, and 4 to 6 others who want to join the celebration, are invited to attend the statewide Scholar Leader Awards Banquet at the Plumley Armory at Norwich University in Northfield, VT. The Governor, the Commissioner of Education and other dignitaries will be invited. Each student will receive a plaque with his or her name on it signifying the honor. A photograph of the Scholar Leader receiving the award will also be given to each of the students. Table sizes are available for 4, 8 or 10 people per table.

COST TO MEMBER SCHOOLS – The costs of the event for the students being honored, the Scholar Leaders themselves, will be borne by the Vermont Association for Middle Level Education and the New England League of Middle Schools. Tables must be purchased for 4 (\$155 - for small schools honoring one student) 8 (\$280) or 10 (\$310). In other states, organizers have turned to local business or civic organizations, parent organizations, school activity funds, or the parents themselves to help fund this event. Tickets will not be available at the door.

COST TO NON-MEMBER SCHOOLS – Schools that are not members of the Vermont Association for Middle Level Education or the New England League of Middle Schools may also participate in this program but must pay the expenses associated with the awards. Tables may be purchased as noted above (4 - \$155, 8 - \$280 or 10 - \$310) *plus \$33.00 for each Scholar Leader.* If you are interested in VAMLE membership, please contact Linda Bourne at (802) 254-9152 or director@vamle.org. If you are interested in NELMS membership, please contact Bernice Mackenzie at (978) 887-6263 or bmackenzie@nelms.org.

RESERVATIONS – NELMS **MUST** receive your completed reservation by **May 16, 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 is firm. This is a very popular event with limited space so we encourage you to make your reservations right away. **All schools will be assigned tables on a first-come first-served basis.** The Vermont Association for Middle Level Education and the New England League of Middle Schools look forward to receiving your registration. *Please call Kim O'Hare at the NELMS office at (978) 887-6263 if you have any questions.*

Sincerely,

Linda Bourne, VAMLE Executive Director, Ken Page, VAMLE President
Katrina Antonovich, Melissa Rice, Scholar Leader Planning Committee
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Identify your Scholar Leaders and Register Early!