Watershed Public Charter School nominated for three statewide awards

Towson, Md. – Watershed Public Charter School has been nominated for three awards from the Maryland Alliance of Public Charter Schools.

Watershed is one of six schools nominated for the Charter School of the Year award, presented by Archangel Tablets. Lori Widney, Watershed’s principal, is one of eight administrators being considered for the Charter School Leader of the Year award, presented by Highmark School Development and Global Technology. Laura Guelcher, Watershed’s academic director, is one of five educators in the running for the Charter School Educator of the Year award, presented by Charter Schools Development Corporation and EdOps.

“We are so proud that Watershed Public Charter School has received this well-deserved recognition,” said Baltimore County Public Schools Superintendent Dr. Darryl L. Williams. “Through Watershed, and through our magnet and Career and Technical Education programs, we offer students across the county unique opportunities to pursue rigorous learning aligned with their interests and needs.”

The award winners will be announced during the Maryland Virtual Charter Schools Conference on Wednesday, May 11, from 11 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Located in Woodlawn, Watershed Public Charter School is the only charter school in BCPS. Watershed, which opened in September 2019, has an environmental arts focus. Its hands-on, teacher-created, multidisciplinary curriculum emphasizes outdoor learning, and the campus features an outdoor classroom and a micro-farm. The school currently serves students in Kindergarten through Grade 5.
Another grade will be added each school year until the school serves students in Kindergarten through Grade 8.

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