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**SCHOOL DISTRICTS RECOGNIZED
FOR EXCELLENCE IN BUDGET PRESENTATION**

Reston, VA – December 31, 2016 – The Association of School Business Officials International (ASBO) is proud to congratulate the 2015 Meritorious Budget Award (MBA) and Pathway to the MBA recipients, based on their submissions for the budget year 2015-2016. ASBO is proud to honor the 138 MBA and 6 *Pathway* to the MBA recipients across the United States who earned this distinction.

The MBA, sponsored by Voya Financial, Inc.[®], promotes and recognizes excellence in school budget presentation and enhances school business officials' skills in developing, analyzing, and presenting a school system budget.

As recipients of the MBA, these school districts have demonstrated excellence in budget presentation through understandable and clear budget guidelines and practices; short-and long-term goals; sound fiscal management practices; and professional growth for the school district's budget staff. School districts receive an award plaque and certificate as well as recognition in national media. They also benefit from enhanced credibility with their school boards and community.

Congratulations to this year's MBA recipients. For more information about the MBA and to view the list of participants, visit asbointl.org/MBA.

Voya Financial, Inc.[®] is honored to sponsor the MBA and the Pathway to the MBA programs for the 12th consecutive year.

Voya Financial[®], a top provider of retirement plans for the academic community, is an ASBO International strategic partner and exclusive sponsor of the Meritorious Budget Award programs. "Voya has a long history of supporting the school business profession, and we are honored to recognize this year's Meritorious Budget Award winners," said Heather Lavalley, president of Tax-Exempt Markets for Voya Financial. "Like our award winners, Voya also shares in their pursuit of excellence. We are committed to offering the best solutions to help our nation's educators and school officials prepare for retirement—so they can focus on helping their students prepare for a bright future."

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ASBO International, founded in 1910, is a professional organization of 4,500 members that

provides programs and services to promote the highest standards of school business management practices, professional growth, and the effective use of education resources.

For more information about the Meritorious Budget Award or *Pathway* to the MBA, visit asbointl.org/MBA.

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