

PRESS RELEASE

CONTACT:
Arlene Gavin
Performance Services, Inc.
(317) 713-1750 x 2421
agavin@performanceservices.com

South Vermillion Schools Earn the ENERGY STAR®

Clinton, Indiana [June 29, 2009] All three elementary school buildings in the South Vermillion School District have earned the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) prestigious ENERGY STAR®, the national symbol for superior energy efficiency and environmental protection. South Vermillion's Central Elementary, Ernie Pyle Elementary and Van Duyn Elementary are now distinguished among a small percentage of just 79 Indiana schools (4% of 1,816 Indiana public school buildings) that have received the ENERGY STAR recognition. Shana Lopez, Performance Assurance Analyst, will present the award at a special school board meeting at 7:00 p.m. on July 20, 2009.

To earn the ENERGY STAR label, the administration and facilities staff of South Vermillion Schools partnered with Performance Services, an Indianapolis design-build engineering company that specializes in energy savings renovation projects in K-12 schools and implemented a rigorous energy conservation program.

"All of us at South Vermillion Community Schools are excited about this recognition. We are very fortunate to have a strong working relationship with Performance Services and believe that the efforts put forth to date will only enable us to seek ways of conserving more energy in the future at all of our buildings. It is important to not only teach our students about the values of energy conservation, but to also lead by example. This is a wonderful accomplishment and working with Performance Services is something we hope to maintain for many years to come," said Dave Chapman, Superintendent.

The cumulative calculated energy savings for all three elementary buildings for the period reported 2001 thru April 2009 totals \$389,672. In addition to energy savings, thermal comfort and indoor air quality also improved to provide a quality learning environment. Schools that earn the ENERGY STAR use less energy than most buildings and release fewer greenhouse gas emissions into the atmosphere. Indoor air quality standards are part of the qualification process that must be certified by a professional engineer.

"It's our pleasure to work with Dave Chapman, Richard Buker and the facilities staff at South Vermillion Schools. It's rewarding to support their ongoing energy conservation efforts and create a quality learning environment for every student," said Tim Thoman, President of Performance Services, an ENERGY STAR partner.

For more information about South Vermillion Schools, visit <http://www.svcs.k12.in.us/>

For more information about ENERGY STAR visit <http://www.energystar.gov/>

Performance Services is an Indiana-based design build engineering company that specializes in constructing and renovating schools and renovating universities to deliver optimal learning environments through both the Guaranteed Energy Savings Contract and Design-Build procurement methods. Innovative wind power and geothermal systems are integral to the energy services portfolio. The company has provided energy solutions to schools for 11 years and is the leading service provider of guaranteed energy savings projects and ENERGY STAR labeled schools in Indiana. To learn more, visit www.performanceservices.com.