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NEWS RELEASE

Fifth Annual MCSD Helen Ruffin Reading Bowl

(Columbus, GA) – The fifth annual Helen Ruffin Reading Bowl will be held on Saturday, January 30, 2010, at 9:00 a.m. at Midland Middle School. Teams of ten student participants for the system-level competition will participate from all middle schools. Students have read 20 books identified on the Georgia Book Award Nominees list. Contest questions are developed from the content of the 20 books. The first and second place winning teams from the system-level contest will compete in the Georgia Western Regional Bowl on Saturday, February 6, 2010, at University of West Georgia in Carrollton.

The purpose of the MCSD Helen Ruffin Reading Bowl is to increase student achievement and reading comprehension, help students develop a deeper appreciation for literature, enhance verbal communication skills, promote cooperation, build self-esteem, and develop team spirit. The 2010 Reading Bowl is dedicated to the memory of Doreen Sears, a former instructional specialist for Reading Literacy in Muscogee County.

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