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## **Florida Virtual School® Announces 2020 Assistant Principal of the Year**

**Orlando, FL (Feb. 13, 2020)** – Florida Virtual School (FLVS®), a statewide online public school district, recently announced the FLVS representative for the Florida Department of Education’s 2020 Assistant Principal of the Year program is Wilbern Simpson.

Wilbern Simpson, the assistant principal for FLVS Full Time High School, demonstrates the qualities of teamwork and leadership by pioneering programs, techniques, and strategies that help students overcome obstacles to reach their full learning potential. He implemented and developed a virtual Response to Intervention and Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) schoolwide framework to support struggling learners. As a result, the MTSS became a team function and not a process, providing students and families the additional learning support they needed to succeed.

“I work with an amazing group of people who make it their daily mission to impact students and to help those students meet their academic goals,” said Simpson. “I am humbled by my colleagues’ recognition and grateful for the team that I support. Together, we are changing the world at Florida Virtual School...one student at a time!”

“Wil Simpson empowers his teachers. They feel valued and encouraged to make decisions that are student-centered and impactful to his team and our students,” said Robin Winder, Senior Director of Instruction for FLVS. “He has an unwavering commitment to help students succeed and understands the importance of inspiring others toward excellence in education.”



Wilbern Simpson is a resident of Lakeland, Florida.

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The Florida Department of Education Assistant Principal of the Year program honors assistant principals who have utilized teamwork and leadership skills to increase student performance, promote safe learning environments and establish partnerships with parents and community members. To learn more about the program, visit [www.fldoe.org](http://www.fldoe.org).

***About Florida Virtual School (FLVS)***

[Florida Virtual School® \(FLVS®\)](http://www.flvs.net) is a fully accredited, statewide public school district offering more than 190 courses to Kindergarten-12 students. Its certified teachers use a variety of personalized instructional programs to create individualized educational plans for every student. Since 1997, FLVS students have successfully completed more than 4.6 million semester enrollments. FLVS also provides its courseware and expertise to online and blended learning programs across the nation. Services include content licensing, FLVS Global School, District Virtual Schools, digital learning labs, and professional development. As a not-for-profit, FLVS reinvests revenue into the development of new educational technologies and the creation of the highest-quality courses, benefiting students in Florida and beyond. To learn more, visit [www.flvs.net](http://www.flvs.net).

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