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Dear Principal Austin,

Congratulations! Lowe's Grove Middle School has been re-designated as a School to Watch®. We are excited for your school and what this means as you move forward! Lowe's Grove Middle School demonstrates academic excellence, developmental responsiveness, social equity, and organizational structures that support the success of your students.

Based on Lowe's Grove Middle School's re-designation application and site visit, many strengths were noted, including a positive and collaborative learning environment where students' developmental needs are emphasized, a growth mindset among stakeholders where student growth is the priority, and a student-centered culture where high expectations for all students is the norm. Please review the feedback form with more detailed feedback and information. We look forward to working with you again in three years during the next re-designation cycle and are excited to see Lowe's Grove Middle School's further development as a School to Watch.

We traditionally celebrate this outstanding accomplishment at both the North Carolina Middle Level Conference, as well as the National Forum Schools to Watch Conference® in Washington, D.C. in June. Please make plans to attend the North Carolina Middle Level Education Conference in Charlotte, NC from March 13-15, 2022 and the National Forum Schools to Watch Annual Conference in Washington D.C., from June 23-25, 2022. We will be in touch soon with more information on how we will celebrate this accomplishment in North Carolina and more information will be forthcoming from the National Forum for their conference. During this process, please let us know how we may be of support.

At any time, please do not hesitate to contact one of us. As your STW State Co-Directors, we are here to support you!

Sincerely,

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