## **ACPS Principal of the Year**

Please also welcome the **ACPS Principal of the Year** and a finalist for The Washington Post's 2016 Principal of the Year, Patrick Henry Elementary School, Principal **Ingrid Bynum**.

Ingrid became principal of Patrick Henry in 2012. In the three years that she has been at Patrick Henry, the school has made amazing strides. Patrick Henry has gone from Virginia Focus School status to full accreditation, achieving dramatic double-digit gains in all content areas on the SOLs.

Ingrid is a large contributing factor to the yearly improvements that have resulted in Patrick Henry becoming fully accredited for the first time in three years.

Ingrid has realigned the instructional focus of all grade levels to reflect data-driven decision-making and she encourages her staff to use multiple sources of data to drive planning, preparation and teaching. This approach has had a dramatic impact on the school and the school community.

The school-wide culture that Ingrid has created puts students first and fosters a positive, inclusive and collaborative approach. And, it is one of the things that make her an outstanding principal.