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**CIBA Proud Of  
National Award**

The Parent Advisory Council would like to congratulate the entire Connecticut International Baccalaureate Academy (CIBA) learning community in East Hartford for being officially designated as a 2006 National Blue Rib-bon School! Our IB Academy was one of only three schools in Connecticut and 250 nationwide to earn this coveted award for achieving “academic superiority” among American public and private K-12 schools. This is truly a remarkable accomplishment!

From our vantage point, academy parents find this news to be immensely satisfying because we understand how hard our children work to succeed in the rigorous IB honors program.

We are extremely pleased that CIBA has been designated as a recipient of this prestigious award by the U.S. Department of Education. We trust this national honor will deliver a powerful message to our academy students that hard work and dedicated study can yield measurable results of the highest caliber for the team as well as for the individual.

All CIBA parents are incredibly proud of the academy faculty, staff and students for your nationally recognized achievements in the classroom!

Cheers!

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