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2021 Wells Fargo North Carolina Principal of the Year

Needham B. Broughton Magnet High
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North Central Region

“Every school community has its unique cultural, social, intellectual, and political resources. An important component of the principal’s work is not only understanding these resources but leveraging them to promote student learning and school improvement.”



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