

2019 WELLS FARGO NORTH CAROLINA  
**PRINCIPAL** *of the* **YEAR**



**Matthew Bristow-Smith**

**2019 Wells Fargo North Carolina  
Principal of the Year**

Edgecombe Early College High  
Edgecombe County Public Schools  
North Central Region

*"The better I self-reflect, the hungrier I become to innovate our instructional practices, to improve the effectiveness of our school operations, to inspire my colleagues to be their best selves, and to instill an even deeper passion for learning in our scholars."*



**Melissa Fields**  
Northeast Region  
Perquimans County Schools



**Elizabeth P. Pierce**  
Southeast Region  
Lenoir County Public Schools



**James "Bo" Mullins**  
Sandhills Region  
Sampson County Schools



**Sean Gaillard**  
Piedmont-Triad Region  
Lexington City Schools



**Dr. Timisha Barnes-Jones**  
Southwest Region  
Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools



**Michelle Baker**  
Northwest Region  
McDowell County Schools



**Brandon Sutton**  
Western Region  
Swain County Schools

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