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_____ was one of one hundred and sixteen exemplary middle-grades schools nationally to be named a “School to Watch” as part of a recognition and improvement program developed by the National Forum to Accelerate Middle-Grades Reform. In June, Serrano Middle School will be recognized for this national honor in Washington, D.C by The National Forum to Accelerate Middle-Grades Reform.

In February 2014, Serrano Middle School was selected at the state-level by state leaders for its academic excellence, its responsiveness to the needs and interests of young adolescents, and its commitment to helping all students achieve at high levels. In addition, Serrano Middle School has strong leadership, teachers who work together to improve curriculum and instruction, and a commitment to assessment and accountability to bring about continuous improvement. Serrano is now being acknowledged and recognized at the National level.

Selection is based on a written application that required schools to show how they met criteria developed by the Forum. Schools that appeared to meet the criteria were then visited by state

