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Fairfax County School to Receive Healthy School Award *Lynbrook Elementary Leads in Student Participation, Fitness Goals*

QUANTICO, VA (March 23, 2010) – The students and teachers of Lynbrook Elementary School in Springfield, VA, will celebrate their achievements in physical fitness when the school receives the Marine Corps Marathon Healthy School Award on Wednesday, March 24 at 1:45 p.m. Lynbrook Elementary School is located at 5801 Backlick Road in Springfield, VA.

The Healthy School Award recognizes student participation in the Marine Corps Marathon Healthy Kids Fun Run (HKFR). The students of Lynbrook Elementary placed first among 353 schools participating in the HKFR on October 24, 2009 in Arlington, VA. Lynbrook has participated in the HKFR for the past nine years.

Elementary and middle school students ages six to 13 take part in the one-mile fun run held annually, the day before the Marine Corps Marathon. Students from across the country participate, while many physical education teachers make the HKFR part of their fitness curriculum throughout the year.

Lynbrook Elementary led the participating schools with 290 student runners, topping its previous record.

Marine Corps Marathon sponsor, Sodexo, will present a monetary donation to Lynbrook Elementary during a school-wide assembly to be held in the school gymnasium.

The 2010 Healthy Kids Fun Run will be held on Saturday, October 30 in Arlington, VA. Students can register for the one-mile run online at www.marinemarathon.com, beginning May 5. Schools interested in group registration or media wanting information about the Lynbrook school assembly, can contact Tami Faram, Marine Corps Marathon Public Relations Coordinator at 703-432-1840 or tami.faram@usmc.mil.

Voted the best marathon for families, the Marine Corps Marathon honors the dedication, sportsmanship and patriotism of its participants. Runners from all walks of life participate in the largest marathon not to offer prize money, earning the nickname as “The People’s Marathon.” The MCM is the fourth largest marathon in the United States and the eighth largest in the world. The 35th anniversary Marine Corps Marathon will be held October 31, 2010 in Arlington, VA. No federal or Marine Corps endorsement is implied.

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