A+ Schools of Excellence

Two Northwest Valley schools have been designated this school year as A+ Schools of Excellence, a title given by the Arizona Educational Foundation that lasts for three years.

Mountain Ridge High School in Glendale and Santa Fe Elementary School in Peoria will receive $500 and a banner recognizing them for their outstanding performance. Staff and faculty also are eligible for partial scholarships at Argosy University in Phoenix.

Schools are chosen by a panel of principals, teachers and community leaders based on applications demonstrating high achievement or improvement in academics and meeting students' non-academic needs.