The Hechinger Report’s Education Coverage Wins National Awards

On February 28, 2011, the Education Writers Association announced the winners of its 2010 National Awards for Education Reporting, and The Hechinger Report is proud to be among the recipients. The Report won second prize in the “Beat Reporting (Small Market)” category for a package of 10 stories by its reporters and freelancers.

Richard Lee Colvin, editor of The Hechinger Report, said the awards are a testament to the depth and breadth of The Hechinger Report’s collaborations with news organizations since its launch in May 2010. “There is a hunger for the kind of in-depth, high-quality journalism our award-winning reporters and editors can provide,” Colvin said. “We’re thrilled to see our beat reporting recognized by the Education Writers Association.”

In addition to supplying stories to a wide range of news outlets, The Hechinger Report provides financial and journalistic assistance to ambitious education-journalism projects that address national issues at the local and regional levels. Three such collaborations yielded prize-winning results in the 2010 EWA competition:

- **First Prize for a Series (Large Market)** – Erin Richards, Amy Hetzner, Alan J. Borsuk and Becky Vevea of the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, together with The Hechinger Report, Building a Better Teacher
- **Second Prize for Investigative Reporting (Large Market)** – Jason Song, Jason Felch, Doug Smith and Sandra Poindexter of the Los Angeles Times, Grading the Teachers
- **Special Citation for a Special Interest, Institutional or Trade Publication** – Paul Glastris, Richard Lee Colvin, Sarah Garland, Betsy Hammond, Dale Mezzacappa and Thomas Toch for the Washington Monthly’s Special Report: Fighting the Dropout Crisis


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