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Purchasing Receives 2009 Excellence Award

PRINCETON, N.J.—The Princeton University Purchasing Department has been awarded the 2009 Achievement of Excellence in Procurement Award. Princeton has now achieved this award for six consecutive years.

Princeton is one of only 20 higher education agencies in the US who received the award and the only one from New Jersey. Also, Princeton is one of only four higher education agencies who have won the award for six consecutive years.

The Achievement of Excellence in Procurement Award is designed to recognize organizational excellence in procurement. The annual award is achieved by those organizations, public or nonprofit, that demonstrate excellence in procurement by obtaining a high score on a rating of standardized criteria. The program is designed to measure innovation, professionalism, productivity, e-procurement, and leadership attributes of the procurement function.

The program was founded in 1995 by the National Purchasing Institute (NPI) to recognize organizational excellence in public and nonprofit procurement, encourage development of excellence, provide benchmarks for continued excellence, and increase awareness of public procurement as a profession.

The award is sponsored by the National Purchasing Institute (NPI), the Institute for Supply Management (ISM), the California Association of Public Purchasing Officers (CAPPO), the Florida Association of Public Purchasing Officers (FAPPO), and the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing (NIGP).