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### Herb Kohl to Honor Area Students and Educators on April 30

MILWAUKEE — A luncheon and awards program to honor the achievements of north central and northwest Wisconsin students, teachers, and principals will be held Sunday, April 30, at North High School in Eau Claire.

On March 10, the Herb Kohl Educational Foundation announced the recipients of Initiative and Excellence student scholarships, teacher Fellowships, and principal Leadership Awards. The April 30 luncheon will recognize the accomplishments of the area's outstanding students and educators, including 21 teacher Fellowship recipients, 26 Excellence Scholarship recipients, 21 Initiative Scholarship recipients, and two Leadership Award recipients. Kim Marggraf, spokesperson for the Herb Kohl Foundation, said that businessman and philanthropist Herb Kohl, representatives of co-sponsoring organizations — the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction, Wisconsin Council of Religious and Independent Schools, Wisconsin Cooperative Educational Service Agencies, Wisconsin Newspaper Association Foundation, Association of Wisconsin School Administrators, and Wisconsin Parents Association — and the families and friends of north central and northwest Wisconsin award recipients will be part of the program.

The Herb Kohl Foundation **Excellence Scholarship** was established by Herb Kohl in 1990 to provide scholarships to graduating Wisconsin high school students who have demonstrated academic excellence, outstanding leadership, citizenship, community service, integrity, and other special talents. The Herb Kohl Foundation **Fellowship** rewards teachers who have demonstrated superior ability to inspire love of learning in their students, motivated others, and provided meritorious service both inside and outside the classroom. The Herb Kohl **Leadership Award** recognizes principals who have set high standards for instruction, achievement, and character, and created a climate to best serve students, families, staff, and community. Four students who attend schools in Appleton, Richland Center, Waukesha, and Wausau also will attend the Eau Claire event to receive their awards.

The Herb Kohl **Initiative Scholarship** was established to recognize students who have demonstrated a high level of motivation to achieve, shown strong promise for achieving success in college and beyond, overcome significant personal obstacles or adversity, and have not yet received other academic-based scholarships.

"Herb Kohl will be making formal award presentations to the recipients at the luncheon," Marggraf said. The Herb Kohl Foundation will issue the \$10,000 Excellence and Initiative Scholarship grants to the postsecondary institution that each student will attend. Each teacher and principal will receive a \$6,000 Fellowship or Leadership award and an additional \$6,000 grant will be awarded to the educator's school for use in innovative educational projects. The foundation annually awards approximately 200 scholarships, 100 teacher fellowships and 16 principal leadership awards throughout the state.

The Eau Claire event is the last of five regional award programs sponsored by the Herb Kohl Foundation. The reception is scheduled to begin Sunday, April 30, at noon at North High School, 1800 Piedmont Road, Eau Claire. The award program will commence at approximately 1 p.m.

**Media availability may be arranged before or after the award presentation. Contact Kim Marggraf at (920) 946-3640 or [marggraf@excel.net](mailto:marggraf@excel.net). Following is a list of award recipients who will be recognized at the April 30 event.**

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# Herb Kohl Educational Foundation

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## Eau Claire North High School

### *Excellence Scholars*

#### **CESA 1**

Sage Leary, Holcombe  
eAchieve Academy, Waukesha

#### **CESA 3**

Hannah Sargent, Richland Center  
Homeschool, Richland Center

#### **CESA 4**

Addison Arndt, Ontario  
Brookwood High School, Ontario

Angela Klinkner, Cashton  
Cashton High School, Cashton

Jacob Markhardt, Black River Falls  
Black River Falls High School, Black River Falls

Darius Namazi, Onalaska  
Onalaska High School, Onalaska

Briar Putz, Fountain City  
Cochrane-Fountain City High School, Fountain City

Mikaela Schlesinger, La Crosse  
Aquinas High School, La Crosse

Clare Simpson, La Crosse  
Logan High School, La Crosse

#### **CESA 9**

Luke Johnson, Wausau  
Newman Catholic High School, Wausau

#### **CESA 10**

Lauren Carstensen, Medford  
Medford Area Senior High School, Medford

Abigail George, Mondovi  
Mondovi High School, Mondovi

Josiah Goerlitz, Withee  
Owen-Withee High School, Owen

Emma Lauer, Eau Claire  
Eau Claire Memorial High School, Eau Claire

Emily Schmitt, Eau Claire  
Eau Claire North High School, Eau Claire

Aleya Steckel, Ladysmith  
Ladysmith High School, Ladysmith

#### **CESA 11**

Riley Anderson, Siren  
Siren High School, Siren

Maxwell Engel, Menomonie  
Boyceville High School, Boyceville

Ally Jacoby, Trego  
Spooner High School, Spooner

Katherine Kopp, St. Croix Falls  
St. Croix Falls High School, St. Croix Falls

Noah Massie, Hillsdale  
Barron Area High School, Barron

Lindsey Rae Miner Gearin, Star Prairie  
Osceola High School, Osceola

Carl Oman, Amery

Amery High School, Amery

Isabel Thurston, Rice Lake  
Rice Lake High School, Rice Lake

Zachariah Walker, Baldwin  
Baldwin - Woodville High School, Baldwin

#### **CESA 12**

Alexia Abric, Hayward  
Hayward High School, Hayward

Hailey BeBeau, Glidden  
Chequamegon High School, Park Falls

Jessica Hohlfeld, Cable  
Hayward High School, Hayward

Sydney Thompson, Mercer  
Mercer High School, Mercer

### *Teacher Fellows*

#### **CESA 4**

Sherry Brevick, Alma  
Alma Area School, Alma

Mary Czajka, West Salem  
West Salem Elementary School, West Salem

Anna Fleming, Onalaska  
St. Patrick School, Sparta

Oakley Moser, IV, Tomah  
Tomah High School, Tomah

Wendy Schibbelhut, Onalaska  
St. Paul's Lutheran School, Onalaska

Tara Schuttenhelm, La Crosse  
North Woods International School, La Crosse

Eric Wojta, Onalaska  
Onalaska High School, Onalaska

## **CESA 10**

Julie Anderson, Bloomer  
Bloomer High School, Bloomer

Travis Engel, Owen  
Owen - Withee High School, Owen

Denise Swartz, Stanley  
Owen - Withee Elementary School, Owen

Virginia Welle, New Auburn  
Chippewa Falls Senior High School, Chippewa Falls

Brenda Xiong, Altoona  
Northstar Middle School, Eau Claire

## **CESA 11**

Stephanie Belisle, St. Croix Falls  
St. Croix Falls Elementary School, St. Croix Falls

Karen Lettner, Barron  
Barron High School, Barron

Jane Molls, Turtle Lake  
Turtle Lake Elementary School, Turtle Lake

Rita Thorson, Lakeland  
Meyer Middle School, River Falls

Matthew Wigdahl, Menomonie  
Oaklawn Elementary School, Menomonie

## **CESA 12**

Deborah Cline, Ashland  
Our Lady of the Lake School, Ashland

David Doering, Washburn  
Bayfield School, Bayfield

Russ Nelson, Gordon  
Solon Springs School, Solon Springs

Natalie Patriito, Hurley  
Hurley K12 School, Hurley

## *Initiative Scholars*

### **CESA 4**

Kylee Anderson, Sparta  
Sparta High School, Sparta

Amanda O'Neill, Merrilan  
Lincoln High School, Alma Center

Kody Pagel, Wonewoc  
Wonewoc-Center High School, Wonewoc

Benjamin Rice, Genoa  
De Soto High School, De Soto

Kaylee Roths, Stoddard  
Logan High School, La Crosse

### **CESA 6**

Andrew Turner, New Richmond  
Wisconsin Connections Academy, Appleton

## **CESA 9**

Connor Miller, Wausau  
Newman Catholic High School, Wausau

## **CESA 10**

Zakery Ingersoll, Stanley  
Stanley-Boyd High School, Stanley

Zayne Johnson, Altoona  
Altoona High School, Altoona

Zachary Kluge, Mondovi  
Mondovi High School, Mondovi

Seth Peterson, Chippewa Falls  
Chippewa Falls High School, Chippewa Falls

Haven Tennant, Granton  
Granton High School, Granton

## **CESA 11**

Amber Glaser, Ridgeland  
Prairie Farm High School, Prairie Farm

Kaylee LaBlanc, Clayton  
Clayton High School, Clayton

Jessica Mattson, Luck  
Luck High School, Luck

Brady Moody, Webster  
Siren High School, Siren

Ruthie Stewart, St. Croix Falls  
St. Croix Falls High School, St. Croix Falls

Tyler Weiss, Ellsworth  
Ellsworth High School, Ellsworth

Nicole Weninger, Woodville  
Baldwin-Woodville High School, Baldwin

## **CESA 12**

Autumn Dörner, Butternut  
Butternut High School, Butternut

Ryan Jahnke, Hayward  
Hayward High School, Hayward

Caitlyn Koback, Winter  
Winter High School, Winter

Ahpahnae Thomas, Highbridge  
Mellen High School, Mellen

## *Principal Leaders*

### **CESA 4**

Robert Vanderloop, Elk Mound  
Independence Elementary School, Independence

### **CESA 11**

Amy Hamborg, Hudson  
E.P. Rock Elementary School, Hudson