



Wisconsin High School Forensic Association

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State Speech Contest Announces Students Earning Fourth Consecutive Awards

RIPON, Wis. – The Wisconsin High School Forensic Association held its 122nd annual State Speech Festival on the campus of UW-Madison, hosting 4,564 students from 343 high schools across the state of Wisconsin, as well as La Crescent, Minnesota. Judges rate each student or performing group. An elite number of students earn the contest's top honor of *Critic's Choice* all four years of their high school career. This year, just 29 students, or about one-half of one percent, earned this distinguished honor (sorted by school, alphabetically):

School	Full Name
Campbellsport High School	Tanner Zocher
Darlington High School	Sydney Brandt
Darlington High School	Hope Francis
Darlington High School	Bailey McDonald
Denmark High School	Bailee Harper
Drummond High School	Grace Pendergrass
Drummond High School	Abigail Gorton
Drummond High School	Alison Ludzack
Drummond High School	Madeline Mossutto
Eau Claire Memorial High School	Julia Carpenter
Elmwood High School	Eva Sundquist
Fall Creek High School	Julia Kaeding
Logan High School	Killian Harnish
Oak Creek High School	Bailey Roche
Pecatonica High School	Carly Rindy
Pecatonica High School	Devin Erickson
Plum City High School	Kailee Broeckert
Plum City High School	Anna Almsted
Plum City High School	Wyatt Holt
Potosi High School	Kate Nusbaum
Reedsville High School	Heidi Propson
Riverdale High School	Levi Bird
Sauk Prairie High School	Haden Haas
Sevastopol High School	Isaiah Spetz
Seymour High School	Benjamine Wears
Superior High School	Sunmi Famule
Verona Area High School	Noa Seward
Waterford Union High School	Kristy Fitzgerald
Waukegan High School	Hannah Nies

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“Students in our academic sport practice long hours to hone their skills and meet the expectations upon which they will be judged,” said WHSFA Executive Director Adam Jacobi. “These schools represent consistent performance across a variety of contest events at our festival, and should be lauded for their performance.”

About the Wisconsin High School Forensic Association

Since 1895, the Wisconsin High School Forensic Association (WHSFA) has provided programming for middle and high school students in theatre, debate, and public speaking activities. Each year, our nonprofit organization serves about 10,000 Wisconsin students from 375-400 high schools, and 150-200 middle schools in the longest-running high school speech contests in the nation. Our aim is to empower students to enhance their skills in presentation through interscholastic assessment. For more information, visit www.whsfa.org.

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