



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 120th annual State Speech Festival on the campus of UW-Madison, hosting 4,571 students from 344 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 24 students, or one-half of one percent, earned this distinguished honor (sorted by school, alphabetically):

School	City	Full Name
Bay Port High School	Green Bay	Hannah Boettcher
Boscobel High School	Boscobel	Haley Biba
Bruce High School	Bruce	Gretchen Quade
Central WI Christian	Waupun	Gabe Thomson
Darlington High School	Darlington	Savannah Bergeson
Darlington High School	Darlington	Jason Singer
Eau Claire Regis	Eau Claire	Mitchell Petit
Eisenhower High School	New Berlin	Elizabeth Garfinkel
Iowa-Grant High School	Livingston	Lyrica Daentl
Merrill High School	Merrill	Laura Grefe
Merrill High School	Merrill	Mikala Hall
Milton High School	Milton	Savannah Dixon
Milton High School	Milton	Konner Moisson
Mineral Point High School	Mineral Point	Matt Doney
Mineral Point High School	Mineral Point	Joey Gorgen
Mineral Point High School	Mineral Point	Turner Poad
Mineral Point High School	Mineral Point	Alec Schmitz
Mineral Point High School	Mineral Point	Sy Staver
Monona Grove High School	Monona	Alaina Handrick
Riverdale	Muscoda	Lyric Simonson
Three Lakes High School	Three Lakes	Anya Fairchild
Union Grove High School	Union Grove	Christian Ryan
Waterford Union High School	Waterford	Madison Lindeman
Westosha Central	Salem	Maria Salerno

“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.”



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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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