



LAKES COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE –

LCHS senior named a finalist in National Merit contest

Lakes Community High School senior Hilde Nelson has advanced from semifinalist to finalist in the National Merit Scholarship contest. She is the sixth Eagle in LCHS's seven-year history to have traveled this far in the competition.

Nelson now is eligible for scholarship money from the organization based on her abilities, skills, and accomplishments. These are evaluated using her academic record, her performance on two tests, the school's recommendation, and a personal essay.

More than 1.5 million students enter themselves into the competition each year by taking the Preliminary SAT as juniors. Only 15,000 of those students become finalists.

Nelson could be one of 8,400 other finalists to qualify for scholarship money. Notifications for monetary awards go out between March and June.

Contact Cheryl Cox, director of guidance and instruction, for more information at ccox@lakeseagles.com.

Community High School District 117 has been serving the communities of Antioch, Lake Villa, Lindenhurst and Old Mill Creek since 1915.

Lakes Community High School, being a community of learners with a vision of excellence, is committed to providing an educational experience that encourages all learners to develop to their fullest potential, to engage in life long learning, and to be responsible members of society.