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WAUSA PUBLIC SCHOOL RANKS 19TH IN NATION FOR TEACHING PERSONAL FINANCE

LINCOLN SOUTHWEST, TRI COUNTY, FILLMORE CENTRAL RANK IN TOP 100

Four Nebraska high schools placed nationally in the 100 Best W!SE High Schools Teaching Personal Finance.

Wausa High School's personal finance teacher, Dawn Friedrich, attended the April 11 ceremony recognizing Wausa Public School for placing 19th in the nation. Other Nebraska schools placing in the top 100 included:

- Lincoln Southwest High School, instructor Josh Hinrichs' College Personal Finance class placed 8th in the large school division
- Tri County High School, instructor Dennis Krejci, Personal Finance
- Fillmore Central High School, instructor Cindy Talley, Personal Finance

"Nebraska educators are proud to have many schools participating in the W!SE financial literacy certification testing," said Bonnie Sibert, Career Field Specialist for Business, Marketing and Management of the Nebraska Department of Education. "Schools are encouraged to add this industry certification to their students' portfolios and/or resumes for achieving certification."

Wausa Public School was among three schools chosen nationally to participate in a You Tube video (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jdUWF_pCxEE) developed to promote W!SE certification testing. A videographer from New York traveled to Wausa to interview alumni, students, the superintendent and teacher.

Working in Support of Education or W!SE is a leading educational nonprofit based in New York City. W!SE focuses on improving the lives of young people and at-risk adults through programs that develop financial literacy and readiness for college and the workforce. This national ranking was determined with support from an advisory board or experts from academia and finance. The predominate factor was the average score on the Financial Literacy Certification Test with consideration given to eligibility for free lunch and the proportion of test takers to the school population.

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