NEBRASKA WORLD LANGUAGE DISTINGUISHED SCHOLARS RECOGNIZED

The Nebraska Department of Education and the World Language Advisory Council are recognizing distinguished scholars during World Language Week, March 31-April 6. The theme of World Language Week is, “The Power of Languages To Make You College, Career, and Civic Ready.”

The World Language Distinguished Scholar Award recognizes Nebraska students for their leadership in language learning, commitment to language study, appreciation for cultural diversity, and communicative competence. Students were nominated by their World Language teachers and submitted a portfolio.

For more information about World Language Week and the World Language Distinguished Scholar Award visit: https://www.education.ne.gov/worldlanguage/world-language-week/.

High Honors

- **Josephine Anderson**  
  Spanish  
  Crete High School  
  Teacher: Angela Wagoner

- **Turner Blick**  
  German  
  Fremont High School  
  Teacher: Brenda Schiermeyer

- **Alma Dimas**  
  Spanish  
  Meridian High School  
  Teacher: Maria Nieves Ruiz Garcia

- **Miah Hoppens**  
  Spanish  
  Ogallala High School  
  Teacher: Rosa Zimmerman

- **Sukanya Kennamthiang**  
  French  
  Brownell Talbot School  
  Teacher: Michael Recker
• Angela Kwambamba  
  French  
  Lincoln Southwest High School  
  Teacher: Alexandra Van Zandt

• Nae Mae  
  Chinese  
  Omaha Central High School  
  Teacher: Wang Li

• Brianna Nelson  
  Spanish  
  Millard West High School  
  Teacher: Candida Kraska

• Matthew Neville  
  Spanish  
  Ralston High School  
  Teacher: Jamie Honke

• Lucy Peterkin  
  Spanish  
  Millard North High School  
  Teacher: Theresa Jensen

• Hannah Rethmeier  
  Spanish  
  Crete High School  
  Teacher: Angela Wagoner

• Ricards Umbrasko  
  Chinese  
  Omaha Burke High School  
  Teacher: Ching Yuk Lam

Honors

• Samantha Aguilar  
  Chinese  
  Omaha Burke High School  
  Teacher: Ching Yuk Lam

• Emily Baier  
  Spanish  
  Syracuse Dunbar Avoca High School  
  Teacher: Jacqueline Mohr

• Corrin Day  
  French  
  Norfolk High School  
  Teacher: Martha Thompson

• Justin De Haai Badilla  
  French  
  Millard North High School  
  Teacher: Ryan Foehlinger

• Sadie Finch  
  Spanish  
  Fort Calhoun High School  
  Teacher: Anita Saalfeld

• Carly Fortune  
  Spanish  
  Leyton High School  
  Teacher: Ashley Lndholm
• Paige Gowing  
  Spanish  
  Nebraska City High School  
  Teacher: Kevin Mohr

• Elizabeth Hernandez  
  French  
  Douglas County West High School  
  Teacher: Mary Clare Liescheski

• Rayna Hladky  
  Spanish  
  Tekamah-Herman High School  
  Teacher: Luis Fernandez

• Kirby Hughes  
  Spanish  
  West Point Senior High School  
  Teacher: Meghan Schneider

• Madison Jones  
  Spanish  
  Mullen Jr./Sr. High School  
  Teacher: Kelly Garcia

• Ryder Kennedy  
  German  
  Bellevue East High School  
  Teacher: Gwen Steele

• Antonia Krasser  
  German  
  Crete High School  
  Teacher: Julie Schumacher

• Amanda La-O-Cartaya  
  German  
  Crete High School  
  Teacher: Julie Schumacher

• Theresa Nguyen  
  Chinese  
  Omaha Burke High School  
  Teacher: Ching Yuk Lam

• Mia Ortiz  
  Spanish  
  Syracuse Dunbar Avoca High School  
  Teacher: Jacqueline Mohr

• Chanakya Pandya  
  Spanish  
  Sidney High School  
  Teacher: Brett Avila

• Hailey Phipps  
  Spanish  
  Mullen Jr./Sr. High School  
  Teacher: Kelly Garcia

• Josie Reid  
  Spanish  
  Ponca High School  
  Teacher: Jill Camargo

• Tate Schmidt  
  Spanish  
  Hastings Catholic High School
Teacher: Mikayla Niederklein
- **Savanna Vacek**
  Spanish
  Omaha Central High School
  Teacher: Melissa Kuskie
- **Julia Weill**
  Spanish
  A Davis Middle School
  Teacher: Catherine Scurlock

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