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Awarded to: *Lauren Becmer*

Reason Chosen: Lauren Becmer is an exceptional candidate for the Excellence in Education Award because she embodies the mission, vision, and values of Grant Community High School. Through her dedication to her students, her leadership within her Professional Learning Team (PLT), and her contributions to extracurricular activities, Lauren continually goes above and beyond in her role as an educator.

In the classroom, Lauren has quickly established a respectful, engaged, and well-managed environment. As a relatively new teacher, she has worked tirelessly to develop clear expectations and foster strong relationships with her students. Whether working one-on-one with a student or redirecting the entire class, Lauren consistently finds ways to bring students back on task, using both quiet conversations and motivating class discussions when needed.

Lauren's commitment to her craft is further reflected in her detailed lesson plans and innovative use of educational technology. She continually seeks out new tools and strategies to enhance student learning, and her PLT frequently looks to her for guidance. For example, Lauren introduced the team to "Diffit," a tool that has helped make the curriculum more accessible and engaging for students.

What truly sets Lauren apart is her unwavering belief in the importance of her work. Beyond the classroom, she invests in students by coaching dance and serving as a co-sponsor for the Academic Team, while previously contributing as a volleyball coach and Chess sponsor. Her dedication to student success is evident in every aspect of her professional life, including her pursuit of a Master's degree in History and ongoing professional development.

For these reasons and countless others, Lauren Becmer is undeniably deserving of the Excellence in Education Award.

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