

Two School District of New Berlin Teachers Earn Herb Kohl Educational Foundation Fellowship Awards

New Berlin, Wis. – Two School District of New Berlin teachers – Monica Church of Elmwood Elementary and Lori Seitz at New Berlin West Middle/High – have been chosen as Herb Kohl Educational Foundation Fellowship Award winners.

Church and Seitz are two of 100 teachers around the state to earn this year's \$3,000 award. Sixteen principals and their schools and 184 graduating high school students were also recognized by the foundation.

Church is a special education teacher and has been teaching in New Berlin schools for seven years. Seitz has been a member of the West math department since 2000.

Fellowship recipients are educators who have been chosen for their superior ability to inspire a love of learning in their students, their ability to motivate others, and their leadership service within and outside the classroom. Fellowship winners are selected by a statewide committee composed of civic leaders and representatives of education-related associations and the program's co-sponsors: The Wisconsin Newspaper Association Foundation, Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction, Wisconsin Council of Religious and Independent School, regional Cooperative Educational Service Agencies and the Association of Wisconsin School Administrators.

"The Herb Kohl Fellowship Award is a great honor for not only Monica and Lori, but for their schools and our district, as well," Superintendent Joe Garza said. "We are pleased to have their efforts recognized, and thrilled to have teachers of their caliber in our classrooms working with our students each and every day."

The Kohl Foundation Scholarship and Fellowship program was established by Herb Kohl, U.S. Senator (Retired), in 1990. To date, the foundation has awarded \$10.2 million to Wisconsin educators, students, and schools.

"Education is the key to the future of Wisconsin and our nation," Kohl said. "I am very proud of the accomplishments of these students, teachers and principals and look forward to the great contributions they will make in the future."

Church and Seitz, along with other regional winners, will be recognized at a luncheon at Divine Savior Holy Angels High School on Saturday, April 9.

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