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Focus on Students!

Elizabeth Troyer of Hudson, a Normal Community West High School senior, was recently awarded the prestigious Mark Jolesch Scholarship by the Revelli Foundation and the Bands of America. This is one of only four scholarships awarded nationally to high school seniors interested in pursuing careers in music education. Elizabeth received this award on November 5, 2004, at the Grand National Band Championship in Indianapolis, Indiana. She was selected from senior members of the 98 bands who competed at Indianapolis.

Elizabeth is a member of the Wind Ensemble, Jazz Band, and has been drum major for the Marching Wildcats for the past two seasons. Elizabeth has applied for admission to the University of Illinois, a school attended by two sisters and several other members of her family. She will have an audition in January with selection for the music program taking place in March. She has also applied to Illinois Wesleyan University. As a primary role model and inspiration for her desire to become a high school music teacher, Elizabeth cites Lisa Preston, the NCWHS marching band director.

Elizabeth is the daughter of Larry and Cathy Troyer of Hudson. Her smile, enthusiasm, dedication, and genuine kindness of spirit are true reflections of her family, our marching band and music program, and the students of Normal Community West High School.

Congratulations, Elizabeth!

Respectfully,

Thomas Eder
Principal
Normal Community West High School