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2019 Teacher Fellowship Award

Altoona, WI – Long-time Altoona Middle School teacher, Scott Thiel, is one of just seven teachers in our CESA 10 region to receive a 2019 Teacher Fellowship Award from the Herb Kohl Educational Foundation.

Teacher fellowships, currently \$6,000 per teacher, are awarded to 100 Wisconsin educators in grades pre-K through 12. In addition to their award, each fellow's school also receives a grant of \$6,000. Educators are chosen for their superior ability to inspire a love of learning in their students and ability to motivate others, and for their leadership and service within and outside the classroom. The Kohl Foundation Scholarship and Fellowship program was established by Herb Kohl, philanthropist and businessman, in 1990. To date the foundation has awarded \$17.8 million to Wisconsin educators, principals, students, and schools.

Acting Middle School Principal, Terri Hanson, said, "Scott is an incredible asset to our school district. He is a rare teacher who can combine his passion and depth of knowledge for science in a way that drives students to work their hardest and succeed. His vision inspires all students in a life-changing way!" And from students, Natalie and Leah, "Mr. Thiel knows everything! We know that he is very knowledgeable, and he really gets into what he is teaching. He is strict, but he is also nice. We know that he cares about us and is passionate about teaching."

Scott will be honored at an award luncheon on Sunday, March 31.

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