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Center Grove Teacher Named Top 10 Finalist for State Teacher of the Year

GREENWOOD, IN (September 4, 2014)—Center Grove Middle School Central 8th Grade Social Studies teacher Matthew Ehresman is one of ten finalists for the 2015 Indiana Teacher of the Year. Ehresman was named the 2013-14 Center Grove Community School Corporation (CGCSC) Teacher of the Year in May.

"This is a tremendous honor," said Ehresman. "To be recognized for what I thoroughly enjoy doing is both humbling and somewhat surreal."

"We are excited to have Matt included in this elite group of teachers," said Dr. Rich Arkanoff, Center Grove superintendent. "Matt is an exceptional teacher who is dedicated to his students and passionate about what he does. His innovative use of Project-Based Learning is a true asset to Center Grove Schools. "

The Indiana Teacher of the Year is chosen by a selection committee made up of former Teachers of the Year. Every school district in Indiana may nominate a candidate. The winner will continue to teach this school year. During the 2015-16 school year, the Indiana Teacher of the Year is released from classroom duties for a "year of service" during which he or she will serve as a spokesperson and advocate for teachers through a full schedule of speaking engagements, school visits, legislative meetings, and other duties around Indiana and the country. The Indiana Teacher of the Year will also serve as the state candidate for the National Teacher of the Year award.

Ehresman earned his bachelor's degree from Purdue University and is currently pursuing a master's through Purdue. This is his 10th year of teaching at Center Grove. He previously taught for two years in Pike Township schools. Ehresman and his wife, Summer, have three daughters.

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Photo Attachment: Matthew Ehresman