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David Bahr honored as LEA's Distinguished Lutheran Secondary Educator

David Bahr was selected to receive Lutheran Education Association's 2020 Distinguished Lutheran Secondary Educator Award.

A 32-year veteran in Lutheran education, David teaches at Lake Country Lutheran High School in Hartland, Wis. where he serves as mathematics teacher, mentor teacher, head varsity baseball coach, director of Thunder Football and Thunder Baseball (both grades 5–8). He previously served Concordia Lutheran High School, Fort Wayne, Ind. David earned a B.A. in secondary education, math, and computer science from Concordia University Chicago and a Masters of Education from Indiana Wesleyan University.

Among previous awards, David was 1995 Presidential Awardee for Excellence in Science and Mathematics Teaching, 1997 Excellence in Teaching Award from Concordia Lutheran High School, 1997 Excellence in Teaching Award from Fort Wayne Lutheran Schools Association, 1997 Arthur Amt Lutheran School Teacher of the Year Award from the Indiana District of the LCMS, 1997 Fort Wayne News Sentinel Prep Sports' Coach of the Year, 2006 South Wisconsin District of the LCMS Secondary Teacher of the Year, 2007 Herb Kohl Fellowship Awardee, 2013 Southeast District Coach of the Year, 2014 Southeast District Coach of the Year, 2014 Waukesha Freeman Spring Coach of the Year, and 2015 Southeast District Coach of the Year.

Supporting David's nomination Lake Country's principal wrote, "David Bahr is a phenomenal educator, coach, and mentor. David dedicates countless hours to his classroom instruction, his detailed feedback for students, his coaching throughout the school year, and his mentoring of other faculty members. I greatly appreciate Dave's willingness to be a Lutheran mission-focused leader in our community."

A colleague and parent commented, "Over my fifteen plus years of knowing David, I have come to appreciate him on so many levels. I have witnessed his impact first hand as a teacher upon the students he teaches, I know him as a parent because I taught his two children, I know him as a coach, I know him as a leader among his fellow teachers and how they look to him for advice and counsel, I know him as an active, visible member in his home church, and, more important than all of the these, I know him as a dedicated man of God.

David says his great joy is helping students come to know Jesus Christ as their Savior.

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