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ASHWAUBENON HIGH SCHOOL HAS THREE NATIONAL MERIT SEMI-FINALISTS

Ashwaubenon, WI – September 15, 2017 – Officials of National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) announced that Ashwaubenon High School students Bailey Conradt, Ella Meinhardt and Maggie Nipps are among 16,000 semi-finalists in the 63rd annual National Merit Scholarship Program. These academically talented high school seniors have an opportunity to continue in the competition for some 7,500 National Merit Scholarships worth about \$32 million that will be offered next spring.

Approximately 1.6 million juniors in more than 22,000 high schools entered the 2018 NMSC by taking the 2016 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT®), which served as an initial screen of program entrants.

A semifinalist must have an outstanding academic record throughout high school, be endorsed and recommended by a high school official, write an essay, and earn SAT® scores that confirm the student's earlier performance on the qualifying test.

From the approximately 16,000 semifinalists, about 15,000 are expected to advance to the finalist level, and, in February, they will be notified of this designation.

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