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ASHWAUBENON HIGH SCHOOL'S SOPHIA KALLAS EARNS NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP RECOGNITION

Ashwaubenon, WI – September 16, 2015 – Sophia Kallas, a senior at Ashwaubenon High School, has been named a semi-finalist in the 2016 National Merit Scholarship Program. Kallas was one of 16,000 semi-finalists named out of approximately 1.5 million juniors in more than 22,000 high schools who entered the 2016 National Merit Scholarship Program by taking the 2014 National Merit Qualifying Test (PSAT). That test serves as the initial screening of program applicants. Kallas qualified as a semi-finalist by her outstanding academic record throughout high school, an endorsement by a high school official, a submitted written essay, and additional test scores that confirmed her earlier performance on the qualifying test.

Ashwaubenon High School Principal Brian Nelsen commented, “Sophia is deserving of this award and recognition. She excels in the classroom, has a distinguished record of community service, and has been a key contributor in both our Wind Ensemble and Jaguar Jazz bands. Sophia strives for excellence in all she pursues and is deserving of this prestigious recognition.”

To become a finalist, Kallas and school officials will submit a detailed scholarship application, in which they provide information as it relates to academic record, participation in school and community activities, demonstrated leadership abilities, employment, and honors and awards received.

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