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Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction Announce that Hackett and Robinson Elementary are 2019-2020 Schools of Recognition

Beloit, Wisconsin, May 27, 2020 – The School District of Beloit announced today that the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) awarded Hackett and Robinson Elementary with *Beating the Odds School* recognition.

Schools that are noted as *Beating the Odds* are in the top 25 percent of high poverty schools in the state and have above average achievement in reading and mathematics compared to schools from similarly sized districts, schools, grade configurations, and poverty levels.

Since 2003, DPI has recognized Title I schools that have demonstrated success in educating students. To be eligible, schools must receive federal Title I funding to provide services to large numbers or high percentages of economically disadvantaged children and meet other achievement criteria.

Both Ryan McReynolds, principal of Hackett Elementary and Belinda McCarthy, principal of Robinson Elementary acknowledge that this recognition is because of the collaboration and hard work between students, parents, families, teachers and school administrators. “We are a true team at heart at Hackett. We work together, we inspire and motivate each other and our students, and we appreciate the dedication of our families. This recognition only validates our belief in our student’s success in school and in life,” shared McReynolds.

McCarthy agrees that teamwork is everything, “The Robinson School Family works to establish safe and welcome learning environments for our students and encourages our families to be involved in our teaching and learning. Our Robinson Staff values the connections between students, families, and community to support education. It is exciting to see how far we can go when everyone is working together toward a common goal.”

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The School District of Beloit is located in Beloit, Wisconsin. Serving 6,800 students and operating six elementary schools, four intermediate schools, one high school and one alternative school, the School District of Beloit is committed to excellence and diversity. We are preparing and inspiring every student to succeed in life and contribute to an ever-changing world.