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I am writing to let you know that Ann Meronek, an accounting teacher at DC Everest Senior High School, has been awarded a WICPA Educational Foundation Accounting Careers Awareness Grant for 2010. The WICPA is pleased to help this teacher further accounting education in your school district.

This is the sixth year of the Educational Foundation's grant program. The Board of Directors is very enthusiastic about the program, and continues to be impressed with accounting teachers who are involved with promoting accounting as a career.

The Wisconsin Institute of CPAs has spent several years working to make young people more aware of accounting as a career. In doing so, we have come to understand that high school educators play a leading role in this effort. The Educational Foundation instituted grants in order to assist high school educators who have direct connections with young people who are likely to choose accounting as a career. The grants encourage recipients to partner with CPAs, parents, schools, universities or community organizations. Grants provide seed money for local needs and encourage lasting innovations that can be shared with other teachers. Recipients document their projects and report back to the Educational Foundation and WICPA.

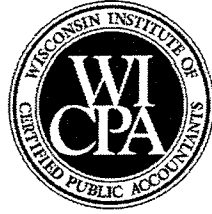
We thank your district for supporting its teachers and for taking an interest in programs that involve adult role models in your community. We ask that you pass information about this teacher and project along to the people in your district who will ensure that it appears in publications and announcements. We have enclosed a copy of a press release that has been sent to newspapers indicated to us and we ask that you use it to promote Ann Meronek's achievement.

We are greatly encouraged by Wisconsin teachers' interest in advancing high school accounting curriculum, networking with CPAs and professors, learning about accounting careers and higher education, and encouraging young people to study accounting and become CPAs. Thank you for helping to make this happen.

Sincerely,

James Miller, CPA
President
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D.C. Everest Senior High School teacher awarded grant

BROOKFIELD, Wis.- Ann Meronek, accounting teacher at D.C. Everest Senior High School in Weston, has been awarded a 2010 Accounting Careers Awareness Grant in the amount of \$1,285 from the Wisconsin Institute of Certified Public Accountants Educational Foundation, Inc.

Accounting teachers who participated in the fall 2009 WICPA High School Educators Symposium were offered the opportunity to write proposals about why they should receive funding. Meronek was one of 24 teachers to receive a grant.

Meronek plans to use the grant money to take her students on a field trip to Milwaukee. They will participate in *The Bucks Experience*, an activity sponsored by the Milwaukee Bucks, where they will tour and learn about the framework of the organization, including the business aspect. They will also meet with a member of the accounting department.

The grant allows schools to partner with CPAs to give students the opportunity to see what it is like to be a CPA.

“The WICPA Educational Foundation is pleased with Meronek’s plan to bring accounting to the lives of her students,” said Jim Miller, president of the Educational Foundation.

The WICPA encourages lasting innovations that can be shared with other teachers. In addition, it supports career awareness and also provides accounting scholarships and grants to individuals and organizations that aim to further their education in accounting.

The WICPA is the premier professional organization for Wisconsin CPAs, with more than 8,000 members working in public accounting, industry, government and education.

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