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## RCS Students Recognized with 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Scholars Award

Richmond, Ind. (June 7, 2013) – Six RCS students were recognized with 8<sup>th</sup> grade scholars awards on June 6<sup>th</sup> as the top male and female students with the Hillenbrand 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Scholars Award. Recognizing academic excellence, the awards were presented during a ceremony at the Batesville High School Auditorium. The Wayne County students honored were...

### Dennis Intermediate School

Garrison Fansher and Lauren Tubesing

### Hibberd Building

Zachary Harrison and Juliana Qin

### Test Intermediate School

Jarrett Focht and Paige Hazelbaker



Pictured: Paige Hazelbaker, Congressman Luke Messer, Zachary Harrison and Jarrett Focht. (Not pictured: Garrison Fansher, Juliana Qin and Lauren Tubesing) Photo provided by Stephanie Harrison Photography

The Richmond Community Schools students were honored alongside other 8<sup>th</sup> grade students in Indiana’s 6<sup>th</sup> Congressional District, which is represented by Luke Messer. Congressman Messer is well known for his advocacy of educational excellence and serves on the Education Committee in the U.S. House of Representatives. He provided the event’s keynote address.

Dr. Allen Bourff, Richmond Community Schools Superintendent, stated, “Our entire school corporation is proud of Garrison, Lauren, Zachary, Juliana, Jarrett and Paige. Their hard work serves as a great example for other students. We appreciate the recognition that was given to our students and their peers from other schools by Congressman Messer and Hillenbrand.”

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