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Ten New North High Schools Named Among Nation's Best

NEW NORTH, January 6, 2009 – Ten New North high schools from across the region were named among the nation's best by *US News and World Report* in the magazine's annual list of the best high schools for 2009.

US News, in conjunction with School Evaluation Services, the K-12 education research business behind schoolmatters.com, analyzed over 21,000 schools from across the country and ranked them based on how well the schools serve their students and their students' academic performance.

The top 100 schools were awarded gold medals, 504 schools received silver medals, and 1,321 schools were awarded bronze medals based on data from the 2006-07 school year.

Two New North schools – Kohler High in Kohler and Gibraltar High in Fish Creek – received silver medals, while the following schools received bronze medals:

Cedar Grove High – Cedar Grove
Crivitz High – Crivitz
Goodman High – Goodman
Gresham High – Gresham
Niagara High – Niagara
Pembine High – Pembine
Renaissance School – Appleton
Wild Rose High – Wild Rose

"This report offers further recognition for schools in the New North, which are some of the best in the country," said Jerry Murphy, Executive Director of the New North, Inc. "High schools in our region, whether they're in urban, suburban, or rural areas, are one of the New North's great resources, and another reason why we're one the best places in the country to live, work, and raise a family."

To view the complete *US News* rankings, please visit www.usnews.com/highschools.

New North, Inc. is a regional collaboration effort focused on promoting regional cooperation and economic development in an 18-county region in Northeast Wisconsin. The 18 counties included in the New North are Outagamie, Winnebago, Calumet, Waupaca, Brown, Shawano, Oconto, Marinette, Door, Kewaunee, Sheboygan, Manitowoc, Fond du Lac, Green Lake, Marquette, Florence, Menominee, and Waushara. To find out more information about New North, Inc., please visit our website at www.thenewnorth.com.