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Caledonia Community Schools Celebrates Four Schools Earning Capturing Kids' Hearts® National Showcase Distinction

Caledonia, Mich. – Our district is excited to announce that Dutton Elementary, Kettle Lake Elementary, Paris Ridge Elementary, and Kraft Meadows Intermediate School have each received the **2023-2024 Capturing Kids' Hearts National Showcase Schools® award** (www.ckh.org). This recognition is a testament to the extraordinary efforts and commitment of the students, staff, and families of these four campuses to foster a positive and nurturing learning environment.

The Capturing Kids' Hearts National Showcase Schools award is granted following a meticulous evaluation process. Schools are assessed on various performance indicators, with feedback gathered from staff and students to gauge the integration and impact of the Capturing Kids' Hearts processes. The accolade celebrates our schools' success in fostering secure, connected, and enthusiastic learning environments that contribute significantly to our educational mission.

"As we draw closer to the end of another successful school year, I want to extend my deepest gratitude for the collaborative spirit and dedication each of you has shown," shared Dirk Weeldreyer, Superintendent. "Being recognized as Capturing Kids' Hearts National Showcase Schools is a testament to our commitment to fostering not only academic achievement but also the emotional and social growth of our students. The positive atmosphere and unique culture at each of our buildings are essential to our success and are a direct result of your efforts."

These awards highlight the distinct contributions and achievements of each school, serving as inspiration across the entire district. We are motivated to continue our journey of educational excellence, creating environments where every student is valued and empowered.

We invite the community to join us in celebrating this fantastic achievement for Dutton Elementary, Kettle Lake Elementary, Paris Ridge Elementary, and Kraft Meadows Intermediate School. For further information on the Capturing Kids' Hearts program, please visit capturingkidshearts.org.

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