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Wisconsin Student to Receive International Award

Arlington, Va., November 6, 2018 – Hunter Lisiecki, of Cudahy, Wis., will receive a 2019 Yes I Can Award from the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC).

Hunter is a great example of authenticity, he is true to who he is and stands up for what he believes in. His strong work ethic, compassion for others, and unwavering parental support have been vital components to his success.

Hunter graduated from high school in June of 2018 and has been accepted into the Project SEARCH Program at Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin. This innovative school-to-work program helps participants develop competitive and marketable skills.

Hunter has also been a student worker at his high school for the last three summers. He was in attendance every day and showed consistent dedication to completing jobs well. His supervisor knew that she could always count on him to be there and ready to work. During the school year, he worked at Jen’s Sweet Treats in Cudahy, where he gained valuable work experience throughout the year. He was hired at Jen’s over the summer and continues to work there as a part-time employee.

Hunter has also been very involved in activities during his high school career, serving as a member of the Student Council. He has also assisted with planning and volunteering for various events and activities in his school and in the community. Hunter has clearly impacted the lives of many of his peers, as exhibited by his nomination and crowning as prom king for the 2017 high school prom.

CEC is proud to honor Hunter with this award in the transition category. Hunter will receive his award at the Yes I Can Award Ceremony on February 1, 2019, at the Indiana Convention Center in Indianapolis, Ind., as part of the CEC 2019 Convention & Expo. The Yes I Can program recognizes the accomplishments of 12 students with exceptionalities in six categories: academics, arts, school and community activities, self-advocacy, technology, and transition.

The Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) is the professional association of educators dedicated to advancing the educational success of children and youth with exceptionalities that accomplishes its mission through advocacy, standards, and professional development. Learn more about CEC at www.cec.sped.org.

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