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Oconomowoc High School Spanish teacher named 2020-21 Global Educator of the Year

Danielle Chaussée will receive award at school district board's April 20th meeting

MADISON – Danielle Chaussée, a Spanish teacher at Oconomowoc High School, has been named the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction's 2020-21 Wisconsin Global Educator of the Year.

Chaussée, currently in her 18th year of teaching, was nominated for the honor for building partnerships with colleagues to provide high-quality global learning opportunities for OHS students and for making exemplary contributions to the global educator network in Wisconsin.

"Danielle's commitment to her career and dedication to her students has helped them discover the world, communicate in new languages, build relationships and empathy across cultures, and find ways to improve conditions in our interconnected global community," State Superintendent Carolyn Stanford Taylor said. "I applaud Danielle for going above and beyond to provide opportunities for students and exemplifying what it means to be an effective teacher. I congratulate her for being named the 2020-21 Wisconsin Global Educator of the Year."

In 2016, Chaussée brought The Global Scholars Program to OHS, which encourages students to enroll in classes with a global lens in the arts, sciences, and humanities and prepare them to be globally competent and career-ready upon graduation. As a program coordinator, Chaussée helped expand the school's global course offerings, with 47 global scholars graduating within the past five years.

Chaussée will formally receive the award at the Oconomowoc Area School District School Board's meeting on Tuesday, April 20, 2021.

Each year, fellow colleagues, parents, friends, or students can nominate teachers for the Wisconsin Global Educator of the Year award. For more information on the program, [visit the DPI's website](#).

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