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(Pierre) – The Pierre Educational Foundation is proud to announce this year’s Scholars of Excellence and BankWest Educator of Excellence nominees. Fifty-three students earned the Scholar of Excellence recognition by achieving a 3.75 grade point average or better through their academic career. In addition, fifty-seven educators were nominated by the T.F. Riggs graduating class for positively impacting students through their work as an educator in the Pierre School District.

Normally, the Pierre Educational Foundation, along with BankWest, would honor the students and educators at the annual Evening of Excellence event. However, due to COVID-19, the Evening of Excellence has been cancelled. The Pierre Educational Foundation will take this opportunity to highlight the Scholars of Excellence and the nominated Educators of Excellence through various Facebook posts through May 6.

“The current circumstances prevent us from celebrating these students in the way we normally do – surrounded by family and educators who have supported them along the way in their academic journey,” said Jennifer Stalley, Executive Director of Pierre Educational Foundation. “This in no way takes away from the outstanding achievements of these students. This is one of the largest group of students with a grade point average of 3.75 or higher and we are excited to see where their talents will take them.”

On May 7, BankWest will announce the 2020 Educator in Excellence winner. The winner of the 2020 BankWest Educator of Excellence will receive \$1,500 toward continuing education. Each of the nominees were nominated by the 53 Scholars of Excellence in recognition these educators made in the students’ lives.

Make sure to like the Pierre Educational Foundation Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/Pierre-Educational-Foundation-104740412918384/>) to enjoy the highlighted scholars and nominated educators leading up to the announcement of the 2020 BankWest Educator of Excellence.

The 2020 Scholars of Excellence and the 2020 BankWest Educator of Excellence Nominees are attached.

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