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Perseverance, grit recognized in 2019 Students of Promise
April 10 awards ceremony honors 16 CUSD juniors who have overcome adversity

Homelessness; death of parents; chronic health conditions; abuse; unstable living conditions; addiction – these are just some of the heart-wrenching challenges faced by Students of Promise award recipients. Each year, the Foundation for Clovis Schools honors 16 high school juniors who are examples of indomitable spirit in the face of extreme odds.

On Wednesday, the 2019 Students of Promise will be recognized at an “Academy Awards” style dinner and ceremony at Clovis Veterans Memorial Building.

The Students of Promise Award is given to students in their junior year to recognize them for persevering through unthinkably difficult experiences and to encourage them toward high school graduation and beyond. Each student receives a \$2,000 scholarship upon enrollment in a college/ university or technical school following high school graduation. Keynote speaker Corryn Brechmann, a 2016 Student of Promise awardee who is now attending Fresno State and playing volleyball, will share an inspiring message with the students before individual awards are handed out.

The Foundation for Clovis Schools’ Students of Promise scholarship program started in 2001 to recognize at risk students who have been attending school on a regular basis, showing responsibility and succeeding academically while at the same time facing challenging life circumstances outside of school.

WHAT: 16 Clovis Unified eleventh-graders will be honored as 2019 Students of Promise

WHERE: Clovis Veterans Memorial Building, 808 Fourth St. in Clovis.

WHEN: **Wednesday, April 10**
 6-6:30 p.m. Interview opportunities available with students and nominators
 7 p.m. Students of Promise Program Presentation

The 2019 Students of Promise event is sponsored by 4 Creeks, Inc., Assemi Group, Inc., CENCAL Demolition, Clovis Veterans Memorial District, Donaghy Sales LLC, Educational Employees Credit Union, Elite Landscape Construction, Fresno First Bank, Golden State Steel, Granville Homes, Keller Williams/Jared Martin & Associates, Pro-Screen and Saint Agnes Medical Center.

Note: Professional photos from the event are available on request.

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