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March 4, 2020

Lindenwood University special education major Brittney Huck will receive the Missouri Council for Exceptional Children Dabney Award on March 5 in Columbia, Mo. Huck is the eighth Lindenwood recipient of the award in the past 20 years.

Huck, who graduates in May 2020, is a student teacher at the Pattonville School District's Early Childhood Center, where she works with children who receive services for autism in an inclusive setting. She is the president of Lindenwood's chapter of the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC), she maintains a 4.0 GPA in the Lindenwood Honors College, she plays clarinet in the Lindenwood Marching Band, and she is active in several other campus organizations, such as the Kappa Delta Pi educational honors society

"As a leader on campus and exemplary professional in the classroom and on home visits, I know that Brittney will impact the lives of young children with developmental delays and their families in her future career," said Dr. Anthony Scheffler, the dean of Lindenwood's School of Education.

The Dabney Award was started in 1971 through the efforts of Robert S. Dabney, a past Missouri director of special education, to recognize and encourage those who will shape the future of special education. Nelle Dabney, for whom the award is also named, served as the director of special education in Kansas City. The Missouri Federation Board of Directors named this award in honor of the two educators.

In her two years as CEC president, Huck recruited new members and organized events for Homecoming, Student Organization Day, New Students Day, a campus Easter egg event, and new recruiting events for CEC members on campus. She will earn her bachelor's degree upon completing her student teaching with Pattonville.