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Dr. Alan Burkard - WSCA 2022 Mary
Gehrke-McAllister Leadership Award Recipient

Madison, WI - Dr. Alan Burkard, Professor and Department Chair of the Counselor Education & Counseling Psychology Department at Marquette University Milwaukee, WI has been awarded the 2022 Wisconsin School Counselor Association's Mary Gehrke-McAllister Leadership Award. The Mary Gehrke McAllister Leadership Award recognizes those persons who have provided outstanding leadership to the school counseling profession in Wisconsin. He was recognized in November 2021 at the Wisconsin School Counselor Association's Annual Conference, which takes place each November in the Wisconsin Dells.

Dr. Alan Burkard has been a leader in school counseling on many levels and currently is the Coordinator of the School Counseling program at Marquette University. Burkard provides guidance to students and supports them in their path as they connect with professionals in the community and develop their identity as school counselors. He hires faculty who are also leaders in the field of school counseling and develops courses that are innovative and transformative for students. He is committed to developing new school counselors that are confident leaders in the field. Also, Burkard has been a prolific researcher, investigating how various topics such as racial identity and the American School Counselor Association National Model impacts youth. His articles and chapters have appeared in top-tier publications, and these works have furthered the field by providing important data to enhance school counseling programs. He has been an advocate and leader for school counseling serving as both the Wisconsin School Counselor Association and American School Counselor Association president during his career. Burkard has influenced, and continues to influence, school counselors across the state of Wisconsin because of dedication and passion for the profession.

Every year, the Wisconsin School Counselor Association recognizes individuals within the school counseling and educational profession who demonstrate profound impact on the school counseling profession and lives of students. Nominations for the Mary Gehrke McAllister Leadership Award are submitted to the Wisconsin School Counselor Association Professional Recognition & Scholarship Committee and are rated by a committee of active and retired school counselors. Winners are determined based on their contributions to school counseling programs, leadership, and service to their community. The organization selects one individual to receive this award.

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Any questions. Please contact Stacy Eslick, Executive Director @ stacye@wscaweb.org

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About the Wisconsin School Counselor Association

School Counselors are essential to the lifelong learning and success of all students. Our vision is for Wisconsin to be the model for excellence in equitable school counseling practice, exemplified by the advocacy, leadership, and expertise of the members of the WSCA. Focused on providing quality professional development opportunities, supporting comprehensive school counseling programs, and giving one voice to professional school counselors, WSCA is dedicated to empowering school counselors throughout the state. For additional information about WSCA visit www.wscaweb.org

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