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## Dedicated Student Leaders Named "WASC Region 1 Senior High Schools Advisors of the Year"

Nominated by AHS student council members for their dedication and strong leadership, advisors, Emily Sibilski (left) and Jess Richards (right) have been selected as the 2020 WASC Region 1 Senior High Schools Advisors of the Year!



Sibilski & Richards will be honored at the WASC (Wisconsin Association of School Councils)
State Conference in April.

"Jess Richards and Emily Sibilski are two amazing advisors who dedicate their time inside and outside of school helping students become better leaders. You will often find them, discussing new ideas to better our school's council. As the Technology Integration Coordinator, Richards has taken it upon herself to help the council understand, and use all means of media when hosting an event, advertising a service project, or reaching out to the student body. Sibilski, a 9th grade English teacher, uses her knowledge to help us prepare and smooth out any rough patches for upcoming presentations to the school or community. Sibilski's role as a freshman teacher has allowed her to establish a real connection with each and every one of our members. Overall Mrs. Richards and Ms. Sibilski are kind, generous, and dedicated advisors, who although being new to the role, will take on any challenge."

AHS Principal, Jim Reif, said, "Student council builds a positive sense of community and pride in Altoona High School. Mrs. Richards and Ms. Sibilski empower and guide their students as they develop their leadership skills. It is truly impressive how student initiated and lead all of student council's work is. Their passion, belief, and hard work make Railroader Nation a better place."