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## Northland Pines High School Recognized With Leading Edge Award

APPLETON, Wis. – Northland Pines High School, located in Eagle River, Wis., and designed and constructed by Hoffman, LLC, received the Leading Edge Award from the Wisconsin Commercial Real Estate Women (WCREW), the local chapter of the Commercial Real Estate Women (CREW) Network, a premier industry networking organization.

According to WCREW, the Leading Edge Award recognizes a pioneering development that pushed the envelope resulting in sustained impact on the surrounding area.

The award, presented at the 2007 Real Estate Development Showcase Awards Program on Thursday, October 18, 2007, was accepted on Hoffman's behalf by Dr. Mike Richie, District Administrator for the Northland Pines School District.

"It's an honor not only to be recognized for the design and construction of a Wisconsin school on the leading edge of sustainability, but also to be involved with a project that had such a positive impact on the community," stated Richie.

Hoffman's Northland Pines High School project earned the nation's first LEED environmental gold rating of a public high school. The Northland Pines High School is the first LEED-certified K-12 school building in the state of Wisconsin.

Hoffman, LLC, (<u>www.hoffman.net</u>) based in Appleton, Wis., is a planning, architectural, and construction management firm established in 1892. Having been involved in more than 20 LEED certified projects, Hoffman's mission is to make a positive impact on people's lives and their environment by providing creative ideas and responsible solutions.

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