

## Coventry Board of Education

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Grade 8 students, Alexa Burger and Michael Dolan, from Capt. Nathan Hale Middle School in Coventry, were two of 292 scholar leaders honored at a banquet on June 2, 2008 at the Aqua Turf Club in Southington.

The award honored one girl and one boy in each Connecticut middle school whose record of academic achievement and service have been truly exemplary, whose personal standards and accomplishments are models for others, and who possess high levels of integrity, self-discipline, honesty, and courage.

Distinguished educator Julie White from Mansfield Middle School was the keynote speaker for the event, and the master of ceremonies was Scott Gray from WTIC News Talk 1080.

The Connecticut Association of Schools and McDonald's Owner Operators of Connecticut sponsored the banquet, with 1,460 students, parents, and educators in attendance.