

Rep. Mike Bishop honors Everest Collegiate academic achievement



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Congressman Mike Bishop, R-Rochester, visited Everest Collegiate Academy and High School Friday afternoon to celebrate the school's ranking as a 2016 National Blue Ribbon School.

Bishop addressed the entire student population in an assembly, praising the school's academic achievements.

“Everest is one of those schools that is setting an example for other schools around the country,” he said.

In 2016, 329 schools were named National Blue Ribbon schools. National Blue Ribbon Schools are acknowledged for innovative educational practices. Schools are nominated by the state department of education and then complete an application about school practices.

“It is exciting to see the students’ work be recognized,” said Greg Reichert, high school and middle school principal.

Bishop also answered questions from selected students, talking about his typical day in office and how students interested in politics can pursue their interests. He was then led by a group of students on a tour of the school.

“I thought it was interesting to hear him talk about what he does every day,” said Grant Burgess, 16.

The school is the only private school in Michigan to be awarded the honor.

“This is no small feat,” said Bishop of the school’s designation.

Two other schools within the 8th Congressional District were honored; Okemos Public Montessori and Vera Ralya Elementary.

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