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Dear Faculty Advisor:

Please join North Central College and WONC-FM as we honor award-winning ABC-Chicago news anchor, John Drury with the fourteenth annual John Drury High School Radio Awards.

This awards competition is dedicated to recognizing broadcast excellence at high school radio stations across the country. There are a number of competitions for non-commercial college and university radio stations, but few exclusively for high school stations.

John Drury amassed an impressive list of credentials. A short biography is included. As you read through the enclosed materials, you will find sections featuring competition eligibility, general rules and guidelines, submission instructions, explanations of each category, and an official entry form (which you may duplicate as needed).

Your host institution is North Central College in Naperville, IL (just west of Chicago). North Central College is an independent, comprehensive college of the liberal arts and sciences affiliated with the United Methodist Church and enrolling 2,600 students, including 1,800 full-time undergraduates and 800 part-time undergraduate and graduate students. Founded in 1861 and known nationally for the quality of its faculty and students, it is recognized as one of "America's Best Colleges" by *U.S. News & World Report*, is ranked among the "top choices for top students" by *Peterson's Competitive Colleges*, and has been called one of the "Best Buys in College Education" today by the editors of *Barron's 300*.

WONC-FM, the radio voice of North Central College, is one of the most decorated college radio stations in America. WONC has received 20 Marconi College Radio Awards. No other college or university radio station in the country has won more. The Intercollegiate Broadcasting System in New York recognized WONC as the 2015 Best College Radio Station in the Nation. With a 30-mile listening radius, and three state-of-the-art stereo studios, WONC broadcasts a mix of news, sports, traffic, music and public affairs programming 24 hours a day.

I hope you will encourage your students to participate in this exciting competition. The deadline for entries is December 3, 2018. The awards banquet is scheduled for Saturday, May 7, 2019. We look forward to your participation. Any questions? Call me at 630-637-5960, or e-mail at jvmadormo@noctrl.edu. You may also contact my assistant, Laura Hirsch at imlaura.e.hirsch@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Madormo". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

John Madormo
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