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## **CROWDER COLLEGE STUDENT HONORED BY MCCA**

Neosho, MO – Friday, November 4. Elizabeth Olvera of Crowder College received the Missouri Community College Association’s Student Leadership Award at a ceremony in Branson. The award is presented to one outstanding community college student from each of Missouri’s twenty community college campuses. Recipients have demonstrated excellence in leadership activities.

In her nomination letter sent by Mark Aubuchon, Campus Life Coordinator, he states “Isabel is a person who cares for her fellow students more than just about anyone I have worked with. She usually puts the needs of her fellow students ahead of her own needs and is always willing to be there for a needy student. If more students were like Isabel, this world would be a much better place. It is my honor to nominate Isabel Olvera for this award and I believe she is most deserving!”

Currently, Olvera is in the Nursing Program at Crowder College. She is also the Resident Housing Assistant. She began at Crowder as a CAMP (College Assistance Migrant Program) participant, where she serves as a mentor today to freshmen in the program.

The session at which the award was presented was attended by over 600 community college faculty, staff, administrators, and trustees from around the state. Attendees also included recipients of MCCA’s Distinguished Legislator Award, Representatives Ryan Silvey and Lincoln Hough, as well as Senator Mike Parson.

The Missouri Community College Association is a statewide organization through which Missouri’s community colleges work together to advance common agendas. MCCA provides advocacy, education, information, and networking opportunities in service of the state’s 5,700 community college faculty, staff, administrators, and trustees.

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