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Andrew Malo Named Owatonna Teacher of the Year 2022

Owatonna, MN - Andrew Malo, Spanish/World Languages teacher at Owatonna Middle School, was named Owatonna Teacher of the Year at the Owatonna Education Association banquet on May 11.

Malo was one of six finalists, which also included Heather Bae, Lauren Gendron, Emily Leckner, Abby Olson, and Kristi Rohman.

Mr. Malo earned his Bachelor of Arts in Spanish Teaching at Gustavus Adolphus College and his Master of Science in Teaching and Learning at Southwest State University. He student taught in Medford, MN and Sotogrande, Spain, plus had two internship experiences living abroad and teaching English in Chimbote, Peru and Riobamba, Ecuador. He began teaching in Owatonna in 2017.

Malo is the OMS Student Council advisor and c-squad volleyball coach, plus on the Husky Pride Committee. He also teaches Migrant Summer School.

"As an Owatonna graduate, it is so fun and such an honor to be able to serve students in a community that has given me so much. I am fortunate to have the most supportive principals and colleagues and love my students so very much," said Malo.

Owatonna Education Association has over 350 members who nominate and vote annually for the Teacher of the Year.

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