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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

INITIATED INTO SIGMA RHO EPSILON

CHARLESTON -- Seven students have been inducted into Sigma Rho Epsilon special education honor society at Eastern Illinois University.

The society recognizes a student's scholarship, leadership and service. The inductees are special education majors who are selected by their peers. Members must maintain an overall grade point average of 3.0 and a 3.25 grade point average in their major for two or more semesters. They must also be committed to enriching the lives of individuals with disabilities through volunteer work and to becoming conscientious, committed special educators.

Eastern, located in Charleston, is a public, residential university that places priority on teaching excellence. More than 11,000 students are enrolled in undergraduate and graduate programs. Non-traditional and part-time students are enrolled in programs at both on- and off-campus sites. University faculty are involved in a wide range of research and public service activities.

Listed below are those students inducted into Sigma Rho Epsilon:

**BARTLETT**--Tina Tobsing, daughter of Kurt and Mary Tobsing of Bartlett; junior special education major; 1993 graduate of Elgin High School.

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**DELAVAN**--Corrie Cunningham, daughter of Rick and Valerie Cunningham of Delavan; junior special education major; 1993 graduate of Delavan High School.

**ELGIN**--Kirsten Celarek, daughter of Frank and Laura Celarek of Elgin; junior special education major; 1993 graduate of St. Edward Central Catholic High School in Elgin.

Karen Oberhaus, daughter of Peter and Diane Oberhaus of Elgin; senior early childhood special education major; 1992 graduate of Streamwood High School.

**HUTSONVILLE**--Elizabeth Vandevender, daughter of John and Betty Vandevender of Hutsonville; junior special education and elementary education major; 1993 graduate of Hutsonville High School.

**NEW LENOX**--Sarah Farkas, daughter of Ron and Carole Farkas of New Lenox; junior special education major; 1993 graduate of Lincoln-Way High School in New Lenox.

**WHEELER**--Melissa Smith, daughter of Michael and Drucilla Smith of Wheeler; senior special education and elementary education major; 1992 graduate of Newton Community High School.