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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

THOMPSON AWARDED BUZZARD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

CHARLESTON -- Eastern Illinois University special education major Kari Thompson, daughter of Dave and Anita Thompson of Moweaqua, is the recipient of the Robert G. Buzzard Memorial Scholarship.

The family of Robert G. Buzzard endowed the scholarship, which is awarded annually to one or more students majoring in teacher education. Recipients must be nominated by their department and chosen by a selection committee.

Elizabeth Hitch, dean of Eastern's College of Education and Professional Studies, presented the award to Thompson at a recent special education recognition awards ceremony. Thompson will graduate in Spring 2000.