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A Northside private student was one of two area seniors recognized for overcoming obstacles to receive a hefty college scholarship.

Bishop Chatard senior Kristin Caccavo was awarded a \$20,000 Horatio Alger National Scholarship.

Megan Kovach of New Palestine was the other recipient, and also received a \$20,000 scholarship.

They were two of 104 students chosen from across the country for these awards.

"Kristin and Megan are being awarded because they have faced and overcome great obstacles in their life while demonstrating strength of character, a commitment to pursue a college education, and a desire to contribute to society," Maria Abad of Qorvis Communications said in a news release.

The students will receive their awards in April in Washington, D.C.

Bill Cook, Bloomington resident and founder of the Cook Group, will also receive the 2010 Horatio Alger Award at the April event. Founded in 1963, the Cook Group develops medical devices.

For more information, visit www.horatioalger.org.