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## **Michael R. Howe, CSSM, CSHM Honored With The IHMM Excellence in EHS Management Award**

[Rockville, MD] Each year the Institute of Hazardous Materials Management holds an open competition to select people of outstanding character, ability, and achievement to receive recognition with its Excellence in EHS Management Award.



For 2022, IHMM is very pleased to announce its winner of the Excellence in EHS Management Award is Michael R. Howe, CSSM, CSHM, of Owatonna, Minnesota, Environmental Health & Safety Manager at Riverland Community College, with primary career responsibilities within the industry (e.g., manufacturing), and Education/Academics (e.g., Community & Technical College) for; EHS management, regulatory consultation, and compliance, security and protective services, loss prevention, emergency preparedness and response, strategic planning and continuity-of-operations, ISO 9001 certification, leadership, employee management, progressive discipline, training & development, and other related HR functions.

With IHMM, Michael is the Steering Committee Chair for, “Certified School Safety Manager (CSSM) & Certified School Safety Specialist (CSSS) Credentials.” – (Start 2020). As the primary leader of the CSSM-CSSS committee, Michael worked with us to take a credential that had no blueprint and no examination and with his committee created both from square one, leading to the launch of the Certified School Safety Manager (CSSM) credential just before Memorial Day, 2023. See > <https://ihmm.org/cssm/>

For his exceptional efforts leading the creation of the CSSM credential, and his leadership in school safety, we are proud to award Michael the IHMM Excellence in EHS Management recognition for 2022.

### **About IHMM**

Founded in 1984, the Institute of Hazardous Materials Management (IHMM), is a not-for-profit organization. IHMM has been protecting the environment and the public’s health, safety, and security through the creation of credentials recognizing professionals who have demonstrated a high level of knowledge, expertise, and excellence in the environment, health, and safety communities of practice. For more information, visit <https://ihmm.org/>

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