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Ashwaubenon Destination Imagination Teams Are Global Achievers

Ashwaubenon, WI – June 19, 2012 – A record seven Ashwaubenon School District Destination Imagination (DI) teams qualified for and competed at the annual DI Global Tournament in Knoxville, Tennessee on May 23rd-26th. Two Ashwaubenon teams received special recognition and an honorable mention at the closing ceremonies, and five of the teams finished in the top 25%, which equates to the top 1% of all teams worldwide.

Over 125,000 students participated in the DI program this school year from the U.S.A. and 30 other countries. The top 6% of all teams worldwide earned the opportunity to compete at the Global Tournament by placing 1st, 2nd, or 3rd at their State tournaments. A total of 1,276 teams competed at the Global Tournament.

Global results and key achievements by team are listed below.

6th place Honorable Mention, 2nd best structure out of 65 in the “Structural: Hold It!”

Construction Design Challenge - AHS “Inferno” Team of Phoebe Dantoin, Hannah Wikum, Tom Jauquet, Laura Wierschke, Brain Lauscher, Ethan Larsen, Connor Robinson, managed by Jennie Frelich.

7th place Honorable Mention, 1st in team choice elements, 4th best overall skit out of 85 in the

“Coming Attractions” Movie Trailer & Soundtrack Challenge - AHS “Pink Panthers” Team of Olivia Crum, Morgan Tomasko, Lauren Bodager, Elise Ziesmer, Erin O’Connor, managed by Paul Crum and Patty Tomasko.

12th place, 6th best overall skit out of 62 in the “The Solar Stage” Solar Energy & Lighting

Challenge - AHS “The Dinkums” Team of Katherine Enderby, Anna Zoellner, Mackenzie Vanlanen, Alicia McCole, Lauren Lucius, John Deckert, managed by Mary Deckert.

16th place, 3rd highest Instant Challenge score out of 62 in the “News to Me!” Improvisational

Performance Challenge - AHS “The Tempest” Team of Ric Zoellner, Thomas Phinney, Cristina Phinney, Bailey Jaworski, Anna Witt, Emanuel Corpus, Everette Berchmans, managed by Lissa Marth.

17th place out of 65 in the “Structural: Hold It!” Construction Design Challenge - AHS

“Undefined” Team of Andrew Luebke, Maria LaPlant, Ashley Trondson, Miranda Adamczak, Jeff Larson, Alex Hansen, Ryan LaPlant, managed by Bob and Bonnie Luebke.

36th place out of 78 in the “The Solar Stage” Solar Energy & Lighting Challenge – Valley View

Elementary “Gladiators” Team of Brennah Staidl, Sean Jordan, Amanda Pearson, Reece Maccaux, Caden Wery, Hailey Dahlmann, managed by Kathy Maccaux and David Pearson.

38th place out of 53 in the “Assembly Required” Technical Challenge - AHS “DI Joes” Team of Zach Egan, Cole Roberg, Cody Mier, Bradley Koch, Nicole Servais, Megan Belongia, Crystal Morinelli, managed by Francine Roberg.

Destination Imagination is the world’s largest competitive, creative problem solving co-curricular program. It helps build students’ skills in creative problem solving, teamwork, leadership, critical thinking, research and inquiry, innovation, technical design, construction, presentation and playwriting. Each season and competition consists of Team Challenge, which is worked on over several months, and an Instant Challenge, which is an impromptu problem assigned and worked on at the tournaments.

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Pictures attached of each team -

AHS “Inferno” Team: AHS-Inferno-pic.jpg
AHS “Pink Panthers” Team: AHS-PinkPanthers-pic.jpg
AHS “The Dinkums” Team: AHS-Dinkums-pic.jpg
AHS “The Tempest” Team: AHS-tempest-pic.jpg
AHS "Undefined" Team: AHS-Undefined-pic.jpg
Valley View “Gladiators” Team: VV-Gladiators-pic.jpg
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