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Ashwaubenon High Advances Six out of Nine State DECA Competitors to Internationals

Ashwaubenon, WI – March 20, 2012 – Six of the nine Ashwaubenon High School students that competed at the DECA State Competition are advancing on to the International Competition in Salt Lake City, Utah. The State Competition took place on March 13th and 14th in Lake Geneva, with over 1,200 students participating in sixteen different event categories. To advance, the students had to finish in the top six of their category.

The six Ashwaubenon students advancing to the International Competition finished as follows:

Philip Nelson and Brian Lauscher – Three medals and 1st place in Financial Services for the second year in a row;

Austin Kadulski – Four medals and 2nd place in Business Services;

Hannah Wikum and Kelsey Jones – Two medals and 2nd place in Buying and Merchandising;

Linda Zhang – Two medals and 6th place in Apparel and Accessories Marketing.

Wikum and Kadulski also qualified to advance by placing 5th with their written Community Service project.

Other Ashwaubenon students earning the right to compete at State were Isaac Wells, who earned three medals and a top-ten finish in the Quick Service Restaurant category, and the team of Dat Le and Dayton Kassner.

DECA is an association of marketing students with annual competitions at the District, State and International levels. Many area high schools have DECA clubs which are organized into districts. Ashwaubenon High School is part of District 4 which covers the Green Bay area and most of the Fox Valley.

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Picture Attached: ASD-HS-DECAstate.jpg.

Caption: Ashwaubenon DECA Students at State Competition (left to right): Isaac Wells, Dat Le, Philip Nelson, Dayton Kassner, Hannah Wikum, Kelsey Jones, Mr. Lotto, Linda Zhang, Brian Lauscher and Austin Kadulski.

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