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Ashwaubenon High School Receives Carl D. Perkins Career And Technical Education Award

Ashwaubenon, WI – October 19, 2011 – Ashwaubenon School District is among 25 school districts in the state that received “Perfect Perkins Performance” awards during a September workshop in Stevens Point. The award recognizes career and technical education programs for meeting national indicators of program participation and student achievement as part of the federal Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Improvement Act of 2006. Ashwaubenon High School’s Dirk Ribbens, Associate Principal, and John Hilbert, Student Services Counselor, were at the workshop to receive the award.

Specifically, Ashwaubenon received a certificate for having career and technical education participants who

- enroll in and complete programs representing non-traditional occupations;
- successfully complete academic coursework toward district graduation requirements and successfully complete either a work-based learning program or tech prep coursework;
- graduate from high school at a rate equal to or higher than students who were not career and technical education participants; and
- engage in positive outcomes after graduation such as pursuing postsecondary education, joining the military, or entering the workforce.

“Schools that receive these awards embrace our goal of ‘Every Child a Graduate’ by providing quality career and technical education programming and instruction that helps students succeed and graduate prepared for the workforce and further education,” said State Superintendent Tony Evers.

According to AHS’ Hilbert, “Career and technical education is more important than ever. CTE programs feed our workforce at the most crucial time in our history. I think it’s also important that our students are provided opportunities to explore careers in the CTE areas.”

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Picture caption: Ashwaubenon High School’s Student Services Counselor John Hilbert (left) and Associate Principal Dirk Ribbens with the “Perkins Perfect Performance” award.

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