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The Wisconsin Association for Language Teachers (WAFLT) is pleased to announce that Melanie Lasee has received the 2017 WAFLT Recognition of Merit Award, which is presented annually to individuals who have demonstrated excellence in teaching or who have made significant contributions to the language teaching profession.

Frau Lasee, as her students call her, teaches German at Ashwaubenon High School. She graduated from the University of Wisconsin – Green Bay with a double major in German and Education.

In addition to teaching German, Frau Lasee also coordinates their long running exchange program (GAPP). Ashwaubenon High School has been doing an exchange with their partner school, Karolinen-Gymnasium in Frankenthal since 1985. To date, AHS and KG GAPP have had 22 exchanges in which 1,121 students have participated. Frau Lasee also advises German Club and German National Honor Society, LINK, and can be seen at most extra-curricular events supporting her students. She has organized three concerts at Ashwaubenon High School to bring German Culture to her students. The most recent being the the German Rap Band from Munich, Einshoch 6.

She has attended the annual WAFLT convention since 1996, when she received the Future Foreign Language Teacher award and has presented at the annual conference for the past 4 years on various topics. Frau Lasee is also very active in her professional organizations. She is a member of ACTFL and AATG. She has been the treasurer of the Wisconsin chapter of AATG for the past 4 years as well.

WAFLT has been serving Wisconsin world language teachers since 1913 and is one of the largest state language associations in the country. The purpose of WAFLT is to promote, strengthen and facilitate the teaching and life-long learning of world languages and cultures in schools and communities to meet the needs of our increasingly interdependent world.

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