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Valley View Elementary Receives \$1,000 OMNOVA Grant

Ashwaubenon, WI – May 15, 2012 – Ashwaubenon’s Valley View Elementary School is the recipient of a \$1,000 grant from the OMNOVA Solutions Foundation. The funds will be used to support developing 21st century teaching and learning spaces at Valley View.

Educational needs and methods of delivery have changed substantially in recent years, but classroom design has not followed suit at the same pace. This funding will allow the makeover of some instructional spaces at Valley View so they are more suitable for small group work focused on collaboration, idea exchange between students, and problem solving tasks. According to Valley View Principal, Kurt Weyers, “If we want students to think and learn differently, changing physical learning spaces can be part of the process of making that happen.”

OMNOVA Solutions Inc. is a technology-based company with 2011 sales of \$1.2 billion and a global workforce of approximately 2,300. OMNOVA is an innovator of emulsion polymers, specialty chemicals, and decorative and functional surfaces for a variety of commercial, industrial and residential end uses.

For more information about the OMNOVA Solutions Foundation, contact Nancy Simons, Foundation Coordinator, at nancy.simons@omnova.com or 920-434-4317. For more information regarding Valley View’s foundation grant, contact Kurt Weyers, Principal, at kweyers@ashwaubenon.k12.wi.us or 920-492-2935 extension 3002.

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