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### **Ashwaubenon Students To Compete At German Day In Madison**

**Ashwaubenon, WI – April 28, 2010** – On Thursday, April 29th, thirty-nine Ashwaubenon High School and Parkview Middle School students studying German will travel to Madison to participate in the University of Wisconsin’s German Day. Accompanied by German teachers Keith Halverson, Melanie Lasee and Charity Ramer, the students will participate in poetry, spelling, skits, poster-making and music contests with other German students from throughout Wisconsin.

German Day is hosted by the Department of German and the Department of Curriculum and Instruction at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Over six hundred students from more than fifty Wisconsin schools congregate at Memorial Union on the UW-Madison campus to showcase their German skills and meet other German students. This is the 21<sup>st</sup> year of this annual event.

This year’s German Day motto is, ‘Es war einmal... Deutsch kann märchenhaft sein!’ which means, ‘Once upon a time... German can be like a fairytale!’. Since July 2008, Dane County has had a sister county in Germany called Landkreis Kassel. This German area is the home of Wilhelm and Jakob Grimm, the 19<sup>th</sup>-Century brothers who collected dozens of the fairy tales famously known as ‘Grimm’s Fairy Tales’. A delegation from Landkreis Kassel will also be attending this year’s German Day.

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