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Valley View Elementary School Hosting Artist in Residence “We ARE Diversity” Workshop

Ashwaubenon, WI – April 2, 2013 – Ms. Taku C Ronsman is conducting a five day artist in residence “We ARE Diversity” workshop at Ashwaubenon’s Valley View Elementary School from April 2nd through April 8th. The goal of the workshop is to enhance the ability of students to “Accept, Respect, and Embrace” diversity. The hands-on multicultural music program will culminate with student performances on April 5th and April 8th.

Ms. Ronsman’s program includes drumming, singing, and dancing to traditional and original rhythms and songs representing the 8 world regions – Africa, Asia, Australia/Oceania, Central America/Caribbean, Europe, Middle East/North Africa, North America and South America. Ronsman, a Green Bay resident, is an educator, performer, songwriter and active community volunteer. You can learn more about her by visiting her website at www.MsTaku.com.

On Friday, April 5, the students will be performing for their friends and families in the school’s gymnasium at 2200 True Lane. The 5th grade performance will be held at 9:00 a.m., 4th grade at 10:05 a.m., 3rd grade at 11:10 a.m., 1st grade and Kindergarten at 1:30 p.m., and 2nd grade at 2:35 p.m. Each grade-level performance will last fifteen to twenty-five minutes. On Monday, April 8, the students will perform for their classmates at 1:20 p.m. in the gymnasium.

For more information, please contact Diane Meinel, Valley View Music Instructor, at 920-492-2935 extension 3325 or dmeinel@ashwaubenon.k12.wi.us.

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