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### **Sixteen Ashwaubenon Teams Advance to State Destination Imagination Tournament**

**Ashwaubenon, WI – March 22, 2013** – On March 9<sup>th</sup>, Ashwaubenon High School hosted the Green Bay Area Regional Destination Imagination (DI) Tournament where ninety-five area teams showcased their challenge solutions in Primary, Elementary, Middle, & Secondary Levels. Ashwaubenon schools had thirty-one teams participate in the event, twenty-four of which were in competitive categories. Sixteen of Ashwaubenon's competitive teams placed first or second, thus qualifying for the State Tournament. In addition, four Ashwaubenon teams earned Special Recognition Awards, the highest honors in the DI program.

Congratulations go out to all students that participated in the 2012-2013 DI program. Destination Imagination is the world's largest co-curricular creative problem solving competitive program that builds student participants' skills related to: creative problem solving, teamwork, leadership, critical thinking, research and inquiry, innovation, technical design and construction, playwriting, and oral presentation skills.

In each season and competition, teams have to solve two different kinds of challenges. The "Central Challenge" is one of seven problems that the teams work on over several months incorporating research, technical design, science, math, and character/script/presentation development. The "Instant Challenge" is a challenge teams are asked to solve in a very short period of time at each tournament. Teams present their solutions to both challenges for score. Teams qualify to earn "place" awards and/or special recognition awards. All first and second place competitive teams in the Regional Tournament advance to compete in the Wisconsin State Tournament held at the University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point on April 13, 2013.

Special Recognition Awards, the highest honors in the Destination Imagination program, are shown below.

**DaVinci Award** for Outstanding Creativity in performance and teamwork in the central challenge.

*AHS The ParoDI team:* Katherine Enderby, Alicia McCole, Anna Witt, Anna Zoellner, Cole Roberg, John Deckert, and Lauren Lucius.

**Renaissance Award** for Outstanding Creativity and Technical Design in the central challenge.

*AHS The UnDIined team:* Andrew Luebke, Ryan LaPlant, Jeffrey Larson, Miranda Adamczak, Ashley Trondson, Maria LaPlant, and Alex Hansen.

*Pioneer Elementary team:* Alex Lukens, William Shellman, Zachary Rahr, Aiden Jolly, Justin Leuck, Daniel Huhtala.

**Spirit of DI Award** for Outstanding Teamwork in the central challenge.

*Valley View The Electro Freaks team:* Charles Ambrosius, Jaden Madel, Lakshman Mallela, Ryan McNicoll, Lindsey Moore, Brynn Wery, and Lauryn Wery.

Team results by Challenge are listed below.

**“In the Zone” Challenge:** Engineering, Innovation & Design Process, Technical Design & Construction, Experimentation, Mathematics, Communication, Theater Arts, and Teamwork.

*Valley View Elementary Team “Super 7” (5th place):* Sophia Belongea, Eli Hermann, Aryelle Moder, Isaac Muscavitch, Spencer Schintgen, Wyndham Srenaski, and Daniel Wagner – managed by Mrs. Kimberly Wagner.

*Valley View Elementary Team “Electro Freaks” (6th place):* Charles Ambrosius, Jaden Madel, Lakshman Mallela, Ryan McNicoll, Lindsey Moore, Brynn Wery, and Lauryn Wery – managed by Mr. Michael Michalski.

*Parkview Middle School “Ketch-up if you can” (2nd place):* Mabel Kirst, Meika Clark, Nathaniel Tate, Russell Coble, Emmaleigh Sachs, and Elizabeth Arvey – managed by Mrs. Tracy Clark.

*Ashwaubenon High School – Technical Team (2nd place):* Zach Egan, Dylan Diaz, Leah Witt, Bradley Koch, Nicole Servais, Megan Belongia, Crystal Morinelli – managed by Ms. Joy and Mr. Dan Egan.

**“Wind Visible” Challenge:** Wind Energy Research, Technical Design and Construction, Theater Arts, Teamwork.

*Pioneer Elementary (2nd place):* Alex Lukens, William Shellman, Zachary Rahr, Aiden Jolly, Justin Leuck, Daniel Huhtala - managed by Ms. Krissy Lukens.

*Valley View Elementary “Purple Pandas” (1st place):* Alexis Betters, Sean Jordan, Nate LeMere, Reece Maccaux, Amanda Pearson, and Savannah Ruhnke – managed by Mr. David Pearson and Mrs. Kathy Maccaux.

*Parkview Middle School “Mysterious Force” (6th place):* Matthew Hawkins, Erik Witmer, Soren Witmer, Sam Spika, and Miguel Eygendaal – managed by Mr. Bob Hawkins.

*Ashwaubenon High School Team “The ParoDI” (1st place):* Katherine Enderby, Anna Zoellner, Cole Roberg, Anna Witt, Alicia McCole, Lauren Lucius, and John Deckert - managed by Ms. Mary Deckert.

**“In Disguise” Challenge:** Nonverbal Communication, Technical Design/Construction, Fine Arts, Theater Arts, Visual Arts.

*Pioneer Elementary “DI in Discize ” (2nd place):* – Lilly Allen, Yasmyn Collins, Ally Lukens, Mason Vinoski, Olivia Shellman, Peter Steinhoff, Miles Lasee – managed by Ms. Cara Steinhoff & Ms. Janna Allen.

*Valley View Elementary “The Shimmering Shining Stars” (8th place):* Gianna Bachmeier, Madalyn Baeten, Madeline Martin, Amelia Miner, Brynn Schintgen, Evelyn Srubas and Arulritha Sunderapandyan – managed by Mrs. Joy Martin.

*Valley View Elementary "Kool Kids" (9<sup>th</sup> place):* Megan Blied, Nyia Marohl, Madeline Maroney, Puja Patel, Skyler Peters, Natasha Schiegg, and Anya Weiss – managed by Mrs. Sunny Pearson.

*Parkview Middle School (2<sup>nd</sup> place):* Skye Vandeleest, Kaitlyn Martin, Kirsten VanDyke, McKenzie Maccaux, Lauren VanDenHeuvel, and Sylvia Griffith - managed by Ms. Kathy Maccaux.

*Ashwaubenon High School "Sun Bears" (1<sup>st</sup> place):* Emanuel Corpus, Dat Le, Alvaro Brusi, Claire Allard, Ali Carlson, Natalie Kruse, and Erika Ebert – managed by Ms. Karen Allard and Mr. Scott Phinney.

**"Change in Reali-tee!" Challenge:** Improvisational Acting, Story Development, Theater Arts, Team Work, Human Scenery Creation, and Communications Research.

*Valley View Elementary "Magnificent Magical Beans" (1<sup>st</sup> place):* Amirah Collins, Payton Ducat, Cara Korth, Lexi Moran, Jamira Olson, Victoria Chamber, and Taylor Wesolowski – managed by Mrs. Diane Meinel.

*Valley View Elementary "7 Exploding Soda Ninjas" (2<sup>nd</sup> place):* Autumn Campbell, Morgan Drake, Austin Kiewiz, Nadia Nackers, Brennah Staidl, Enola Vue, and Lucky Vue – managed by Ms. Nancy Dahlin.

*Parkview Middle School (2<sup>nd</sup> place):* Tyler Moore, Nic Christensen, Nicole Lucius, Manjos Panchalavarupa, and Niraj Panchalavarupa– managed by Mr. Mark Moore.

*Parkview Middle School (4<sup>th</sup> place):* Salvador Corpus, Hailey Dahlmann, Jaiso Ducke, Theodore Lacey, and Anika Pless - managed by Ms. Sharon Corpus.

**"Twist-o-rama!" Challenge:** Structural Engineering, Materials Science, Research, Innovation and Design Process, Mathematics, Theater Arts, Teamwork.

*Valley View Elementary "Team Valley View" (2<sup>nd</sup> place):* Keeron Bivens-Green, Kaleb Coble, Savannah DeGroot, Caleb Foley, Sam Stanko, and Hannah Swan – managed by Mrs. Tracy Coble.

*Pioneer Elementary "Golden Jaguars" (3<sup>rd</sup> place):* Makenna Frisque, Maddie Lasee, Mackenzie Lindow, Alex Slusarek, Kennedy Warren, – managed by Ms. Jamie Lasee.

*Parkview Middle School Team (1<sup>st</sup> place):* Caden Wery, Laney LeMere, Conner Hakenjos, Nolan Reese, Emily DeLaurelle, Tyler Brodhagen, Benjamin DeLaurelle – managed by Ms. Tracy Hakenjos.

*Parkview Middle School "Super Seven" (3<sup>rd</sup> place):* Sarah Gregory, Tyler Davidson, Seth Muscavitch, Breanna Adamczak, Michaela Blume, Joe Carlson, Alana Adamczak – managed by Mrs. Bonnie Luebke and Mrs. Denise Adamczak.

*Ashwaubenon High School "UnDifined" (1<sup>st</sup> place):* Andrew Luebke, Maria LaPlant, Ashley Trondson, Miranda Adamczak, Jeff Larson, Alex Hansen, Ryan LaPlant – managed by Mr. Bob Luebke and Ms. Bonnie Luebke.

**"Real to Reel" Project Outreach Challenge:** Community service, film research and development, press conference research, and teamwork.

*Valley View Elementary "The Bully Busters" (2<sup>nd</sup> place):* Joseph Bachmeier, Emma Fischer, Lauren Fischer, Gracie Meyer, Madeline Miner, June Srubas, and Sarah Swan – managed by Mr. Justin Miner.

*Ashwaubenon High School "Team Hope" (1st place):* Quentin Kuehl, Christopher Kuehl, Micah Brualt, Rachel Campbell, and Samantha LeSage - managed by Ms. Faye Kuehl.

**Rising Stars Noncompetitive "Primary" Teams:**

*Pioneer Elementary "Orange Attack":* Brett Treichel, Alex Smits, Daniel Slusarek, Charlie Shellman - managed by Ms. Michelle Shellman.

*Valley View Elementary "Team Rainbow Spirit":* Brady Christnovich, Marisa Diaz, Boone Kirst, Paige Olbrantz, Janet Parise, Troy Povich, Madison Seder, and Brecken Staidl – managed by Ms. Amy Briski.

*Valley View Elementary "Team Angry Birds":* Carter Bona, Jacob Geurts, Layla Kust, Melanie Maurer, Kijae Stephens, Jesus Tallman, Kennedy VanDenElzen, and Haily Atkinson – managed by Mrs. Sheila Atkinson.

*Valley View Elementary "Valley View Team":* Kaitlyn Brodhagen, Elliot Doolan-Roskom, Airabella Duca, Kiley Eschenbach, Daniel Geurtin, and Harper Millhiser – managed by Ms. Francine Doolan.

*Valley View Elementary "The Colorful Jaguars":* Gavin Averbeck, Elena Collins, Julian Crutcher, Breanna Doherty, Ryla House, Paige Kolosso, Hunter Renard, Nadia Schiegg, and Olive Srubas – managed by Mrs. Heather Folkman.

*Valley View Elementary "The Color Crew":* Catalina Alvarado, Evelyn Alvarado, Owen Bowers, Teyah Johnson, Paige Meyer, Hunter Paul, Jasiah Rand, Jackson Sims, Lei Tzuky Tang-Pao, and Lexi Volk – managed by Mrs. Jennifer Johnson.

*Valley View Elementary "The Rainbow Kids":* Lily Gregg, Manasa Mohan, Kamryn Olson, Ashlee Tuttle, Carmon VanDenElzen, Makenna VanEyck, and Olivia Weyenberg-managed by Mrs. Diane Meinel.

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