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Ashwaubenon Advances 17 of 25 Competitive Teams to State Destination Imagination (DI) Tourney

Ashwaubenon, WI – March 18, 2014 – Ashwaubenon Schools sent 34 exhibition and competitive teams to participate in the Destination Imagination (DI) Regional Tournament held at Ashwaubenon High School on March 15th. Of Ashwaubenon's 25 competitive teams, 17 earned 1st or 2nd place and the right to advance to the State Tournament. In addition, three Ashwaubenon teams were recipients of special recognition awards, the highest honors in the DI program.

The Green Bay Area Regional Tournament included 103 area teams showcasing their DI challenge solutions in Primary, Elementary, Middle, & Secondary Levels. The Wisconsin Affiliate State Tournament will be held at UW–Stevens Point on April 12th.

The three Ashwaubenon Teams earning special recognition with the Renaissance Award for outstanding creativity and technical design in the Central Challenge were:

Ashwaubenon High School's Team Element consisting of Claire Allard, Ali Carlson, Renee Pajkos, Ashley Hern, and Nicole Lucius,

Ashwaubenon High School's Team ParoDI consisting of Katherine Enderby, Anna Zoellner, Cole Roberg, John Deckert, and Lauren Lucius,

Parkview Middle School's Challenge B Team consisting of William Shellman, Alex Lukens, Aiden Jolly, Daniel Hutela, Zachary Rahr, Justin Lueke, and Sam Montour.

Ashwaubenon team results, by Central Challenge, are listed below.

Dig In Challenge: Engineering, Innovation & Design Process, Technical Design & Construction, Experimentation, Mathematics, Communication, Theater Arts, and Teamwork.

2nd Place - Pioneer Elementary's PI Team: Caleb Reed, Jackson Hodek, Jennifer Thetreau, Kevin Johnson, Alex Slusarek, Sophia Albers, Kennedy Warren, Maddie Eliason - managed by: Mrs. Jennifer Thetreau.

2nd Place - Parkview Middle School's We are allergic to our coach: June Ellen Srubas, Joseph Bachmeier, Sam Marto, Madeline Miner, Lauren Fischer, and Emma Fischer - managed by Mr. Justin Minor.

1st Place - Ashwaubenon High School's Too Hot to Hoot: Zach Egan, Dylan Diaz, Leah Witt, Bradley Koch, Nicole Servais, Megan Belongia, April Park – managed by Ms. Joy and Mr. Dan Egan

Going to Extremes Challenge: Environmental Research, Technical Design and Construction, Theater Arts, Teamwork.

9th Place - Pioneer Elementary: - Brett Treichel, Alex Smits, Charlie Shellman, Daniel Slusarek, Lila Warren, Eason Hurd, Johnathan Bielke- managed by Mrs. Michelle Shellman.

1st Place - Valley View Elementary's Ice Queens: Marissa Diaz, Makayla Mandich, Angeline Remondini, Elissa Baenen, Brynn Wery, Lauryn Wery, and Hailey Hines - managed by Mrs. Brandi Wery.

11th Place - Valley View Elementary's Sweet Tarts: Keira Montague, Grace Bergner, Ryan McNicoll, Taurean Lister, Charles Ambrosius, and Lily Gregg - managed by Mr. Adam Mommaerts.

2nd Place - Parkview Middle School's Mysterious Force: Matthew Hawkins, Sam Spika, Miguel Eygendaal, Mabel Kirst, Simran Armstrong– managed by Mr. Bob Hawkins.

4th Place - Parkview Middle School's Challenge B: William Shellman, Alex Lukens, Aiden Jolly, Daniel Hutela, Zachary Rahr, Justin Lueke, Sam Montour - managed by Mr. Zach Shellman.

1st Place - Ashwaubenon High School's Team ParoDI: Katherine Enderby, Anna Zoellner, Cole Roberg, Lauren Lucius, and John Deckert - managed by Ms. Mary Deckert.

Laugh Art Loud Challenge: Comic Strip Research and Design, Technical Design/Construction, Fine Arts, Theater Arts, Visual Arts.

1st Place - Pioneer Elementary's Challenge C: – Olivia Shellman, Mason Vinoski, Miles Lasee, Peter Steinhoff, Ally Lukens, Lilly Allen, Yasmyn Collins - managed by: Mrs. Cara Steinhoff & Mrs. Janna Allen.

3rd Place - Valley View Elementary's Purple Panda Eaters: Kennedy VanDenElzen, Megan Blied, Nyia Marohl, Olivia Collins, Aryelle Moder, Marjorie Mandich, and Madeline Mandich - managed by Mrs. Karri Blied/Mrs. Tammeca Biely.

1st Place - Parkview Middle School: Mieka Clark, Madalein Lasee, Evelyn Guerts, Gracie Meyer, and Mackenzi Meyer– managed by Mr. Steven Haluska.

1st Place - Ashwaubenon High School's Team Element: Claire Allard, Ali Carlson, Renee Pajkos, Ashley Hern, and Nicole Lucius – managed by Ms. Karen Allard.

3rd Place - Ashwaubenon High School's Dut Force: Kirsten VanDyke, Ali Remondini, Ian Heslin, Trent Williams, Sophia Jimos, Mariah Behm, McKenzie Maccaux – managed by Mr. Kilabrew VanDyke.

Pandemonium! Challenge: Improvisational Acting, Story Development, Theater Arts, Team Work, Human Scenery Creation, and Communication Research.

1st Place - Valley View Elementary's Chimichanga Geeks: Jamira Olson, Victoria Chamber, Hannah Bagneski, Cara Korth, Kenleigh Krause, Payton Ducat, and Lexie Moran – managed by Mrs. Diane Meinel.

3rd Place - Valley View Elementary's The Funky Monkey Penguins: Morgan Drake, Olive Sruas, Elena Collins, Paige Meyer, Troy Povich, Brennah Staidl, and Eli Gregg – managed by Ms. Nancy Dahlin.

3rd Place - Ashwaubenon High School: Tyler Moore, Nic Christensen, Beth Koch, Skye Vandeleest, and Teja Mallela – managed by Mr. Mark Moore.

The Tension Builds! Challenge: Structural Engineering, Materials Science, Research, Innovation and Design Process, Mathematics, Theater Arts, Teamwork.

1st Place - Valley View Elementary's The 7 Blazing Builders: Janet Parise, Makenna Van Eyck, Austin VanDuyse, Mia Voss, Savannah DeGroot, Austin Kiewiz, Andre Boucher - managed by Mr. Eric Voss and Mr. Jamie Boucher.

4th Place - Valley View Elementary's The Party Peoples: Breanna Doherty, Hunter Paul, Eli Hermann, Sophia Belongea, Lakshman Mallela, Jacob Geurts, Lindsey Moore - managed by Mr. Justin Lardinois.

1st Place - Parkview Middle School: Caden Wery, Laney LeMere, Conner Hakenjos, Nolan Reese, Emily DeLaurelle, Tyler Brodhagen, and Benjamin DeLaurelle – managed by Ms. Tracy Hakenjos.

2nd Place - Parkview Middle School's Super Seven: Joe Carlson, Breanna Adamczak, Alana Adamczak, Sarah Gregory, Tyler Davidson, Miachaela Blume, and Seth Muscavitch - managed by Ms. Denise Adamczak and Ms. Bonnie Luebke.

1st Place - Ashwaubenon High School's UnDifined: Andrew Luebke, Maria LaPlant, Ashley Trondson, Miranda Adamczak, Jeff Larson, Alex Hansen, Connor Blazek – managed by Mr. Bob Luebke and Ms. Bonnie Luebke

Pitch 'n Play Project Outreach Challenge: Community service, advertising research and development, communication research, and teamwork.

2nd Place - Valley View Elementary's The British Sombreros: Teyah Johnson, Melanie Mauer, Carmen VandenElzen, Ryla House, Madina Boucher, Marissa VanEyck, and Sydney Popp - managed by Mrs. Gwen Boucher.

3rd Place - Valley View Elementary's Shimmering Shining Stars: Madeline Martin, Aruiritha Sunderapandayan, Gianna Bachmeier, Elyen Srubas, Mia Miner, Brynn Schintgen, and Madelyn Baeten - managed by Mrs. Joy Martin.

2nd Place - Ashwaubenon High School's Team Hope: Samantha Miller, Matt Breen-Lyles, Ben Wright, Erin Burleigh, and Dan Buss - managed by Ms. Faye Kuehl.

Rising Stars Noncompetitive Primary Teams:

Pioneer Elementary: Zoey Prevett, Braeden Kaye, Norah Heling, Anna Johnson, and Carter Thompson - managed by Mrs. Cara Steinhoff .

Pioneer Elementary - Luke Overly, Logan Beyer, Cody Mispagel, Ashtyn Anderson, Robby Semrau, and Gavin Matuszewski - managed by Mrs. Maria Anderson.

Valley View Elementary's Neon Shooting Stars – Elena Bojilova, Nevaeh Clayton, Isabelle Garrigan, Sienna Kiewiz, Marinan Mandich, Elysia Pitts, and Zoey Vaile – managed by Ms. Chelsea Perfontaine.

Valley View Elementary's Silly Circus – Skyler Churchill, Austin Hague, Ella Parise, Dane Steiner, and Adeline Teller – managed by Mrs. Diane Meinel.

Valley View Elementary's The Colorful Jaguars – Sofia Collins, Peyton Crutcher, Madelyn Davidson, Matthew Griepentrog, Anna Hermann, and Mitchell Patterson – managed by Mrs. Heather Folkman.

Valley View Elementary's The Colorful Sea Creatures – Gavin Averbeck, Sofia Belter, Abigail Blohowiak, Alexander Counter, Jolee Jaeger, Paige Kolosso, Hunter Renard, and Nadia Schiegg.

Valley View Elementary's The Super 7 – Reece Brown, Cassidy Gilsoul, Emily Loedtke, Abby Pavek, Madison Seder, Hunter Strohman, and Dylan Younk – managed by Ms. Molly Hunsader.

Valley View Elementary's The Amazing Jaguars – Chase Ambrosius, Kalee Batten-Iles, Marleigh Beardsley, Andrew Beauleau, Kaitlin Krause, Aubrey Paque, Savion Randle, and Lexi Volk – managed by Mrs. Jennifer Johnson.

Valley View Elementary's The Million Dollar Glitter Tea – Haily Atkinson, Brady Christnonch, Madeline Johnson, Josie Parma, Arya Shankar, Lei Tzu Ly Tong Poo, and Ayden Vang – managed by Mrs. Shaina Atkinson.

Destination Imagination (DI) 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 need 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, engineering, and character/script/presentation development. The Instant Challenge is a challenge teams are asked to solve in a very short period of time at their tournament. Teams present their solutions to both challenges for score. Teams qualify to earn place awards and special recognition awards.

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