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### **ASHWAUBENON DI PROGRAM HOLDING RECYCLABLE PAPER DRIVE**

**Ashwaubenon, WI – May 12, 2016** – Throughout the spring and summer months, the Ashwaubenon School's Destination Imagination (DI) teams are holding paper drives as fundraising activities. The teams continue their monthly paper drives at Valley View Elementary School, 2200 True Lane, on the second Saturday of each month not only to earn money, but also to help make the community aware of the importance of helping the environment by recycling paper.

The May paper drive will be held on Saturday, May 14th, from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. The community is encouraged to participate by bringing newspaper, printer paper, copy paper, magazines, junk mail, corrugate boxes, cereal boxes, pasta boxes, soda boxes, etc. DI team members will assist anyone with unloading paper into bins during that time. The teams welcome paper donations from local businesses. Last month, the teams, along with school and community members, collected 17,000 pounds of paper during the April drive. Since January of 2015, 292,000 pounds of paper has been recycled through this program.

All proceeds collected from the paper drive benefit the DI teams by helping offset expenses incurred for future trips to the Global Tournament. This May, two teams from the elementary and middle school will attend Global Finals in Knoxville, Tennessee. Ashwaubenon's DI program has grown and succeeded over the years with multiple teams advancing to the State and Global tournaments. All Ashwaubenon schools participate in DI.

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.

Upcoming spring and summer paper drive dates in 2016: May 14, June 11, July 9, and August 13.

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