



## **Madison Announces Teacher of the Year Award Winners**

Pictured above Kellie Vesper and her homeroom class at Benld Elementary School. Ms. Vesper was one of the winners in Madison's 2011 Teacher of the Year Contest. The other winner in this year's contest was Meghan Dyer (pictured below with her Hamel Elementary School class). These instructors received the highest number of online votes in the annual teacher contest which ended April 21<sup>st</sup>.



Madison Communications Company annually sponsors this contest to recognize outstanding leadership in the field of education by inviting residents to nominate their favorite teachers. This year, 8 elementary and high school instructors were nominated from school districts within Madison's service. To qualify, an instructor must be employed in one of these school districts during the 2010/11 school year and have demonstrated a commitment to student excellence. Complete contest guidelines are located on Madison's website at [gomadison.com](http://gomadison.com).

votes by April 21<sup>st</sup> of each year receive a \$500 cash award and plaque. In addition, the homeroom class of each winning instructor receives a free pizza party, compliments of Madison.

This year's pizza parties were held May 11<sup>th</sup> for Ms. Vesper's class and May 23<sup>rd</sup> for Ms. Dyer's class. Students were treated to free pizza, soda, and cookies. Plus, photos captured at these events will be used to develop a television commercial which will promote next year's contest.

Madison would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all nominees in this year's contest and particularly our winners on their accomplishments during the school year. Madison would also like to thank all who participated in this year's contest. For details on next year's contest, visit Madison's website at [gomadison.com](http://gomadison.com). Questions on this year's contest may be directed to Madison's business office at 21668 Double Arch Road in Staunton by dialing 1-800-422-4848 Monday through Saturday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

During the election and balloting period which runs from January through April, any area resident may vote once for his or her favorite teacher. The two teachers receiving the highest number of