Cherokee County School District

Agenda Request Form

Meeting Date	Agenda Item Number
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Title

Recognition of Cherokee County School District 2021 Counselor of the Year and Innovation Zone Counselors of the Year

Requested Action

School Board Recognition of Cherokee County School District 2021 Counselor of the Year and Innovation Zone Counselors of the Year

Summary Explanation and Background

In recognition of a very talented and dedicated group of employees, the Cherokee County School District initiated a Counselor of the Year program beginning in the 2010-11 School Year. A Counselor of the Year is selected for each Innovation Zone, and a panel of retired educators and community leaders select the CCSD Counselor of the Year from this pool. Recipients are selected for: inspiring students of all backgrounds and abilities to be productive; earning the respect and admiration of students, parents and colleagues; and demonstrating leadership, advocacy and collaboration in their work.

The 2021 CCSD Counselor of the Year is Heather Chesnut of the Cherokee Innovation Zone. Ms. Chesnut joined CCSD nine years ago after a successful career in private practice, which followed service as a counselor for a children's group home and a Naval Base fleet and family support center. She has earned a master's degree in counseling and is a licensed professional counselor, nationally certified counselor and a professionally certified school counselor. She now will represent CCSD in the Georgia Counselor of the Year competition.

The 2021 Innovation Zone Counselors of the Year are: Creekview IZ, Tina Word of Macedonia ES; Etowah IZ, Whitney Morberg of Etowah HS; River Ridge IZ, Alicia Davis of Mill Creek MS; Sequoyah IZ, Taylor Herman of Dean Rusk MS; and Woodstock IZ, Jennifer Farlow of Woodstock MS.

Priority Area

Positive Culture and Climate; Quality Workforce

Financial Impact

N/A

Exhibits: (List)

N/A

Source of Additional Information

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