Cherokee County School District

Agenda Request Form

Meeting Date	Agenda Item Number
June 17, 2021	A-4

Title

Recognition of Cherokee County School District 2021 Coach of the Year and Innovation Zone Coaches of the Year

Requested Action

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Summary Explanation and Background

The Cherokee County School District, in recognition of a very talented and dedicated group of coaches, initiated the first annual Coach of the Year award. Initially, Innovation Zone Coaches of the Year were selected as finalists. Then a panel of Athletic Directors from across the state selected the Coach of the Year from this group. Recipients were selected for their high quality of character, integrity, sportsmanship, responsibility, and excellence both on and off the field/court. These coaches are leaders of their team and leaders in their community.

The 2021 CCSD Coach of the Year is Matt Cates of the Cherokee Innovation Zone. Coach Cates has led the Lady Warriors program with excellence, including five consecutive Region Championships and three consecutive trips to the GHSA Elite 8, two of which ended in the Final 4. Coach Cates is one of the most respected coaches in the state serving on many state committees including the Atlanta Tip-Off Club, Nasmith, and GACA board.

The 2021 Innovation Zone Coaches of the Year are: Creekview IZ and Boys Lacrosse Coach, Matthew Renney; Etowah IZ and Track/Cross Country Coach, Garret Hurlbert; River Ridge IZ and Football Coach, Michael Collins; Sequoyah IZ and Volleyball Coach, John Edwards; Woodstock IZ and Girls Basketball Coach, Regina Tate-Leslie.

Priority Area

Positive Culture and Climate

Financial Impact

N/A

Exhibits: (List)

N/A

Source of Additional Information

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