Agenda Request Form

Meeting Date	Agenda Item Number
August 17, 2023	A-7

Title

Recognition of Cherokee County School District 2023 School Nurse of the Year and Innovation Zone School Nurses of the Year

Requested Action

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Summary Explanation and Background

The Cherokee County School District celebrated school nurses with the presentation of the annual CCSD School Nurse of the Year Awards!

The awards program, now in its third year, was developed with Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, a CCSD Partner. As part of National School Nurse Appreciation Day and National Nurses Week in May, a top school nurse from each CCSD Innovation Zone was announced. The Zone winners advanced to the CCSD School Nurse of the Year Award judging, with the winner selected by a panel of nursing professionals and retired educators.

Superintendent of Schools Dr. Brian V. Hightower presented the 2023 CCSD School Nurse of the Year award to Sandra McFarland of Avery Elementary School (Creekview Zone)! Ms. McFarland received prizes including a $500 Visa gift card, engraved plaque and honor banner, sponsored by Children's Healthcare, in honor of her recognition.

The School Nurse of the Year Innovation Zone winners, who each received a $100 Visa gift card and an honor banner, are: for the Cherokee Zone, Kim Dorris, Clayton Elementary School; Etowah Zone, Tracy Cavanaugh, Bascomb Elementary School; River Ridge Zone, Kathy Cox, Johnston Elementary School; Sequoyah Zone, Christine Lynch, Dean Rusk Middle School; Woodstock Zone, Amber Palmer, Sixes Elementary School. Janet Read Welch, Children's Healthcare of Atlanta community development officer, spoke at the event, and treated all of CCSD's school nurses to lunch.

Priority Area

Positive Culture and Climate; Quality Workforce

Financial Impact

N/A

Exhibits: (List)

N/A

Source of Additional Information

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