Cherokee County School District

# Agenda Request Form

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## Title

Recognition of Clark Creek ES STEM Academy, Free Home Elementary School and Mill Creek Middle School -- Winners of the National PTA School of Excellence Award

## Requested Action

School Board Recognition of Clark Creek ES STEM Academy, Free Home Elementary School and Mill Creek Middle School -- Winners of the National PTA School of Excellence Award

## Summary Explanation and Background

Three Cherokee County School District schools have been honored by the National PTA for excellence!

Clark Creek Elementary School STEM Academy, Free Home Elementary School and Mill Creek Middle School were named winners of the National PTA School of Excellence award. The two-year title recognizes successful partnerships between local PTAs and schools to make schools more welcoming to all families and to offer more opportunities for families to support students.

They are among only 302 schools nationwide and only 29 schools from Georgia honored with this recognition. To be considered for this honor, a school and its PTA unit must commit to working together to set and meet year-long goals for improving family engagement.

The designations were earned through efforts over the past year by the PTA and school leadership. For Clark Creek ES STEM Academy, which is led by Principal Joey Moss, last school year's PTA co-presidents Nicole Burroughs and Mandi Fishback both are serving again this school year. For Free Home ES, which is led by Principal Julie Peppers, last school year's PTA co-presidents were Katie Ahearn and Kristin Hornsby, and Ms. Hornsby is continuing as president this school year. For Mill Creek MS, which is led by Principal Matthew May, last school year's PTA co-presidents were Mandy Gispert and Scott Steinbrenner, and Mr. Steinbrenner is continuing this school year with co-president Will Egwu.

## Priority Area

Family, Partner and Community Engagement; Positive Culture and Climate; Quality Workforce

## Financial Impact

N/A

## Exhibits: (List)

N/A

## Source of Additional Information

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