Cherokee County School District

Agenda Request Form

Meeting Date	Agenda Item Number
October 19, 2023	A-3

Title

Recognition of Free Home Elementary School Physical Education Program and Physical Education Teacher Coach Keith Furstenberg -- Named Georgia Award of Excellence in Physical Education Winner

Requested Action

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Summary Explanation and Background

The Free Home Elementary School program, led by teacher Coach Keith Furstenberg, has earned the Award of Excellence in Physical Education presented by the Georgia Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance.

The annual award honors the most exemplary physical education program offered in Georgia public schools. Judges review PE program activities that were conducted in the immediate past school year to determine the winner.

Coach Furstenberg is known among his colleagues districtwide for his creative in-class and after-school programs and for his success in earning competitive grants to support those programs. His most recent grants have included a 2023 PHIT America Play Pickleball grant for equipment and curriculum to begin teaching and playing pickleball and a 2023 American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics Classroom Grant to fund his STEM Rocket program. His successful Marathon Kids fitness club also was featured this summer in Brooks Running's new national campaign.

Coach Furstenberg will be honored at the association's annual convention in Athens.

Priority Area

Positive Culture and Climate; Quality Workforce

Financial Impact

N/A

Exhibits: (List)

N/A

Source of Additional Information

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