Cherokee County School District

AGENDA

School Board Meeting

Dr. Frank R. Petruzielo Educational Services Facility

7:00 p.m.

October 19, 2023

- Call to Order
- Pledge of Allegiance/Inspiration
- Adoption of Superintendent's Recommended Agenda for October 19, 2023 School Board Meeting
- Approval of Minutes of the September 14, 2023 School Board Meeting and October 4, 2023 Called School Board Meeting
- Approval of Consent Agenda for October 19, 2023 School Board Meeting

A. Resolutions/Recognition

1. School Board Recognition of Cherokee County School District High School Seniors Named 2024 National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists

2. School Board Recognition of Hasty Elementary School Fine Arts Academy Teacher Dr. Lisa Spence -- Named Georgia Elementary Art Educator of the Year

3. School Board 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

4. School Board Recognition of Etowah High School Senior Cristina Garcia -- Named to State School Superintendent's Student Advisory Council

5. **School Board Recognition of Sequoyah High School Students Valor Lekas, Noah Popp and Ava Grace Roberts -- Named to All-State Theatre Program**

6. **School Board Recognition of CCSD Special Education Executive Director Charlette Green -- Named 2023 Phil Pickens Administrator Award Winner**

7. **School Board Recognition of Carmel Elementary School -- Named a 2023 Georgia Title I Distinguished School**

8. **School Board Recognition of Mountain Road Elementary School -- Named a 2023 State Literacy Leader**

9. **School Board Recognition of Indian Knoll Elementary School -- Named Microsoft Showcase School**

10. **School Board Recognition of 40 CCSD Teachers, Staff and Leaders -- Named 2023-24 Microsoft Innovative Educator Experts**

11. **School Board Recognition of Cherokee County School District School Nutrition Program for Winning Golden Radish Award**

12. **School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation to Approve the Renewal of Partnership Agreements**

13. **School Board Approval of Proclamation in Honor of Retired Educators Day**

B. School Board Member

C. School Board Policies

D. Financial Management

1. **School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of September 2023 Financial Report and Sales Tax Update**

2. **School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of Declaring Surplus Property and Disposing of Said Property Pursuant to School Board Policy DO**

E. Curriculum and Instruction

1. **School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of Out of State Travel**

2. **School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of Out of State and Overnight Field Trips**

F. Support Services

1. **School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of the Monthly Update on Capital Outlay Projects**

2. **School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of Proposals for the Creekland MS Classroom Addition and Creekview HS Classroom Addition & Auxiliary Gym**

3. **School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of Sanitary Sewer Easement on Woodstock ES Campus to Adjoining Property Owner**

G. Human Resources

1. **School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of Recommendations, Resignations, Terminations of Employment and Transfers for Certified and Classified Personnel**

H. School Board Attorney

I. Superintendent of Schools

- **Public Participation**

- **Adjournment**

CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Thursday, September 14, 2023

MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
7:00 p.m.

The Cherokee County Board of Education called its regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 14, 2023, in the Dr. Frank R. Petruzielo Educational Services Facility, 1205 Bluffs Parkway, Canton, Georgia. The meeting was conducted in person and available to the public via live Internet streaming. Present were: School Board Vice-Chair Robert Rechsteiner; Members John Harmon, Patsy Jordan, Dr. Susan Padgett-Harrison, Kelly Poole and Erin Ragsdale. Superintendent Dr. Brian V. Hightower; and Attorney Abby Roach. School Board Chair Kyla Cromer was not in attendance.

Call to Order

The call to order by Robert Rechsteiner was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America led by Creekview High School Student Gina Ross.

The meeting's inspiration was shared by Robert Rechsteiner.

Approval of Agenda

On a motion by Kelly Poole seconded by Dr. Susan Padgett-Harrison and carried, the Board unanimously adopted the Superintendent's recommended agenda *(6-0 vote)*.

Minutes for Approval

On a motion by Dr. Susan Padgett-Harrison seconded by John Harmon and carried, the Board approved the minutes from the August 17, 2023, School Board Meeting and minutes of the September 6, 2023 Called School Board Meeting *(6-0 vote)*.

Consent Agenda

Following the identification of those agenda items, Board Members and members of the public indicated they would like considered separately, a motion was made by Kelly Poole seconded by Patsy Jordan and carried, to approve the Consent Agenda, for the remaining items - identified by asterisks *(6-0 vote)*.

A. RESOLUTIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PARTNERSHIPS

A-1 School Board Recognition of Cherokee County School District Special Olympic Statewide Gold Medalists

(Recognized)

A-2. 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

(Recognized)

A-3 School Board Recognition of Etowah High School Teacher Lara McDonald for Earning the Georgia Outstanding Biology Teacher Award

(Recognized)

A-4 School Board Recognition of Cherokee County School District Educators and Support Staff -- Winners of PTA State, District 13 Awards

(Recognized)

A-5 School Board Recognition of Clayton Elementary School -- Georgia School Nutrition Cafeteria of Excellence Award Winner

(Recognized)

A-6 School Board Recognition of Etowah High School Chapter of the FFA Agricultural Education Program -- Named a 2023 3 Star Chapter by the National FFA Organization

(Recognized)

A-7 School Board Recognition of Cherokee County School District 2023-24 Lead Innovation Zone Principals

(Recognized)

***A-8 School Board Approval of Proclamation in Honor of Constitution Week**

(Approved)

***A-9 School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation to Approve the Cherokee County School District's Renewal of Partnership Agreements**

(Approved)

B. SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS/STUDENT ADVISOR TO THE SCHOOL BOARD

School Board Members' Comment:

- School Board member commented on a visit to ACTIVE Academy and the outstanding work being done with CTAE programs preparing students for post-secondary education and the workforce.

School Board Members' Informational Item:

- Georgia School Boards Association (GSBA) representative shared the details of the support and resources given to local boards of education to assist them in conducting a superintendent search that will attract quality candidates. Based on the School Board's criteria, GSBA provides qualifying candidates, and the School Board makes a final decision after public review.

C. SCHOOL BOARD POLICIES

D. FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

***D-1 School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of August 2023 Financial Report and Sales Tax Update**

(Approved)

E. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

***E-1. School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of Out of State Travel**

(Approved)

***E-2. School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of Out of State and Overnight Field Trips**

(Approved)

E-3. School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of the 2023-2024 School Improvement Plans (SIPs)

Motion was made by Kelly Poole, seconded by Erin Ragsdale, and carried for approval of the 2023-2024 School Improvement Plans (SIPs) (6-0 Vote)

(Approved)

F. SUPPORT SERVICES

***F-1. School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of the Monthly Update on Capital Outlay Projects**

(Approved)

***F-2. School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of the Special Lease Agreements**

(Approved)

G. HUMAN RESOURCES

***G-1. School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of Recommendations, Resignations, Terminations of Employment and Transfers for Certified and Classified Personnel**

(Approved)

H. SCHOOL BOARD ATTORNEY

I. SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

***I-1. School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of Contract and Memorandum of Understanding with Ninth District Opportunity, Inc. for October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024**

(Approved)

Superintendent's Comments:

- Recognized the appointment of Shelby Johnston for the position of Supervisor of Financial Compliance and Reporting (Audits) in the Office of Financial Management.

Informational Items:

- Student Information System (SIS) Synergy
- ROI Dashboards Glimpse K12
- Security and Safety

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public signed up to address the School Board.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Kelly Poole, seconded by John Harmon and carried to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss a Personnel Matter *(O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-3 (6))* and a Real Estate Matter *(O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-3 (4)) (at* 8:21 p.m. *(6-0 vote).*

The Board returned to open session at 8:39 p.m.

Motion was made by Dr. Susan Padgett-Harrison, seconded by John Harmon and carried, to authorize the Superintendent and staff to pursue a real estate transaction relative to an undisclosed property (hereby designated as #02-23) at an undisclosed location/price. *(6-0 vote).*

The Board adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

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School Board Chair Secretary

CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Wednesday, October 4, 2023

MINUTES OF CALLED BOARD MEETING
6:00 p.m.

The Cherokee County Board of Education convened its called meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 4, 2023 in the Dr. Frank R. Petruzielo Educational Services Facility, 1205 Bluffs Parkway, Canton, Georgia. Present were: School Board Chair Kyla Cromer; Vice-Chair Robert Rechsteiner; Members John Harmon, Patsy Jordan, Dr. Susan Padgett-Harrison, Kelly Poole and Erin Ragsdale; and Attorney Abby Roach.

Chairman Cromer called the meeting to order.

Motion was made by Kelly Poole, seconded by Patsy Jordan and carried, to approve a contractual agreement with Georgia School Boards Association (GSBA) to conduct a Superintendent search (*7-0 vote*).

Motion was made by Erin Ragsdale, seconded by John Harmon and failed, to approve the advertisement/application submitted by GSBA for the Superintendent search (*1-6 vote, Dr. Padgett-Harrison voted in favor*).

Motion was made by Kelly Poole, seconded by Patsy Jordan and carried, to amend the GSBA advertisement to include a provision that requires that candidates currently reside in the Southeastern United States *(5-2, Mr. Harmon and Dr. Padgett-Harrison dissented).*

Motion was made by Kelly Poole, seconded by John Harmon and carried, to approve the advertisement/application submitted by GSBA for the Superintendent search as amended *(7-0 vote).*

ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

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School Board Chair Secretary

CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

AFFIDAVIT

The undersigned members of the Cherokee County Board of Education, under oath, certify that an Executive Session of the Board of Education was duly called and approved by majority vote in open session in accordance with O.C.G.A. §50-14-4 on Thursday, Sept 14, 2023. The only matter(s) considered or discussed during the closed executive session of its meeting is/are as checked below:

_____ To review an appeal from a Student Disciplinary Tribunal [Hearing Officer, Panel]; (O.C.G.A. Section 20-2-757)

_____ To consider a matter involving the disclosure of personally identifiable information from a student's educational records; (20 U.S.C. Section 1232g.)

✓ To discuss the future acquisition of real estate; (O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-3 (4))

✓ To discuss or deliberate upon appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a public officer or employee; (O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-3 (6))

_____ To consult and meet with legal counsel pertaining to pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings, or other judicial actions brought or to be brought by or against the school district or an officer or employee or in which the officer or employee may be directly involved; (O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-2).

_____ To discuss or consider records or portions of records exempt from public inspection or disclosure pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 50-18-4 because there are no reasonable means to consider the record without disclosing the exempt portions. (O.C.G.A Section 50-14-3 (4))

_____ To discuss or deliberate upon cybersecurity plans, procedures, and contracts regarding the provision of cybersecurity services. (O.C.G.A Section 50-14-3 (5))

The members of the Board of Education present for the executive session further certify and acknowledge that all discussions and proceeding conducted in executive session shall remain strictly confidential.

This 14th day of September, 2023.

Sworn to and subscribed before
me on the above indicated date:

Notary Public
My Commission Expires: June 8, 2026

NOTARY PUBLIC CHEROKEE COUNTY GEORGIA SHERYL PUCCIO COMMISSION EXPIRES JUNE 08, 2026

Cherokee County School District

Agenda Request Form

Meeting Date	Agenda Item Number
October 19, 2023	A-1

Title

Recognition of Cherokee County School District High School Seniors Named 2024 National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists

Requested Action

School Board Recognition of Cherokee County School District High School Seniors Named 2024 National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists

Summary Explanation and Background

Seven Cherokee County School District high school seniors were recently named 2024 National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists!

They are: of Creekview HS, Peter Greenwell, Laura Hand and Kinley Sikes; of River Ridge HS, Rylan Radziewicz; of Sequoyah HS, Livana Lekas and Valor Lekas; and of Woodstock HS, Xavier Olsen. Less than 1 percent of U.S. high school seniors earn National Merit Semifinalist recognition.

The National Merit Scholarship Corporation oversees the prestigious competition, and today named 16,000 semi-finalists, who were chosen from 1.5 Million students based on exceptional 2022 PSAT scores.

For the next level of competition, the students will complete an application detailing academic achievements, participation in school and community activities, demonstrated leadership abilities, employment, and honors; an endorsement and recommendation from a high school official; and an essay. Students must additionally have earned SAT scores that confirm their PSAT performance.

CCSD also learned that Kinley Sikes of Creekview HS has earned a perfect score on the SAT - a rare feat!

National Merit then will announce the 15,000 finalists, who will compete for 7,500 scholarships worth about $30 million to be awarded in the spring.

Priority Area

Student Achievement: Access and Opportunity

Financial Impact

N/A

Exhibits: (List)

N/A

Source of Additional Information

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Cherokee County School District

Agenda Request Form

Meeting Date	Agenda Item Number
October 19, 2023	A-2

Title

Recognition of Hasty Elementary School Fine Arts Academy Teacher Dr. Lisa Spence -- Named Georgia Elementary Art Educator of the Year

Requested Action

School Board Recognition of Hasty Elementary School Fine Arts Academy Teacher Dr. Lisa Spence -- Named Georgia Elementary Art Educator of the Year

Summary Explanation and Background

A Cherokee County School District teacher has been named the 2023 Georgia Elementary School Art Educator of the Year!

Hasty Elementary School Fine Arts Academy teacher Dr. Lisa Spence has won the statewide title in recognition of her efforts at the school, community and state level.

The statewide association presents the overall award to one Georgia teacher a year in each division: elementary, middle and high schools. Dr. Spence will be recognized at the association's fall conference in Columbus next month.

Dr. Spence, who joined CCSD in 2019, last year earned the Crayola Creativity Ambassador international art education honor presented by the National Art Education Association and Crayola Education. Only 75 teachers worldwide were selected for the recognition.

A member of the state and National Art Education Association, Dr. Spence most recently presented at the national association's annual conference this spring in April in Texas. She has earned numerous grants, including recent awards from Amicalola EMC Bright Ideas, Cherokee County Educational Foundation's Impact Grants and The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi's Love of Learning Awards, to enhance Hasty's art program.

Priority Area

Quality Workforce

Financial Impact

N/A

Exhibits: (List)

N/A

Source of Additional Information

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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

School Board 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

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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Cherokee County School District

Agenda Request Form

Meeting Date	Agenda Item Number
October 19, 2023	A-4

Title

Recognition of Etowah High School Senior Cristina Garcia -- Named to State School Superintendent's Student Advisory Council

Requested Action

School Board Recognition of Etowah High School Senior Cristina Garcia -- Named to State School Superintendent's Student Advisory Council

Summary Explanation and Background

Etowah High School senior Cristina Garcia is among the 69 high school students from across the state selected for the prestigious role. State School Superintendent Richard Woods chose his student advisors based on their applications and answers to essay questions about improving public education.

The group will meet with Superintendent Woods throughout the school year beginning in November to talk about how state policies affect their schools.

Cristina is an outstanding student and school and community leader and volunteer. A Governor Honor's Program alumni for chemistry, she has earned the UGA Certificate of Merit and SOAR Award and is an AP Scholar with Distinction and Superintendent's Key Scholar. Cristina has served as president of the Sociedad Honoraria Hispánica (National Spanish Honor Society) for the last two years and is a member of National Honor Society, National English Honor Society and Mu Alpha Theta (National Math Honor Society).

She serves as a leader in Student Government Association and Flight Club Leadership Council at Etowah and in the community as a member of Sequoyah Regional Library System Teen Advisory Board. A member of Key Club and Hope, Cristina has earned a community service letter for her extensive volunteerism including as a leader for Etowah's ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) student mentorship program and as a translator and mentor for non-English speaking families at local elementary schools.

Priority Area

Student Achievement: Access and Opportunity

Financial Impact

N/A

Exhibits: (List)

N/A

Source of Additional Information

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Cherokee County School District

Agenda Request Form

Meeting Date	Agenda Item Number
October 19, 2023	A-5

Title

Recognition of Sequoyah High School Students Valor Lekas, Noah Popp and Ava Grace Roberts -- Named to All-State Theatre Program

Requested Action

School Board Recognition of Sequoyah High School Students Valor Lekas, Noah Popp and Ava Grace Roberts -- Named to All-State Theatre Program

Summary Explanation and Background

Three Cherokee County School District students have been selected for the prestigious All-State Theatre Program.

Sequoyah High School senior Valor Lekas and juniors Noah Popp and Ava Grace Roberts will participate in this year's elite program. It culminates with performances at the 2024 Georgia Thespian Conference, which is attended by high school theatre students and educators statewide. They are the only CCSD students named to this year's cast and crew.

Ava successfully auditioned for the cast of the conference's opening and closing performances. Noah and Valor were selected through a competitive application process for roles with the conference's crew. Noah will design and operate lighting systems for the event, and Valor will design and manage sets for its performances. They are students in the Sequoyah HS theatre program led by teacher Cindy Humphlett.

Priority Area

Student Achievement: Access and Opportunity

Financial Impact

N/A

Exhibits: (List)

N/A

Source of Additional Information

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Cherokee County School District

Agenda Request Form

Meeting Date	Agenda Item Number
October 19, 2023	A-6

Title

Recognition of CCSD Special Education Executive Director Charlette Green -- Named 2023 Phil Pickens Administrator Award Winner

Requested Action

School Board Recognition of CCSD Special Education Executive Director Charlette Green -- Named 2023 Phil Pickens Administrator Award Winner

Summary Explanation and Background

Cherokee County School District's Special Education executive director has earned a state award for excellence.

Charlette Green, who has led CCSD's Special Education department since 2009, recently was awarded the 2023 Phil Pickens Administrator Award by Georgia Parent Mentor Partnership.

The award is presented to one Special Education administrator statewide each year to recognize "outstanding leadership in the collaborative work between, school, home and community to improve the outcome for students with disabilities."

Examples of the most recent new initiatives under her leadership include developing a CCSD Special Education Parent University program, establishing an employability fair with the Cherokee County Chamber of Commerce, collaborating with the Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency (GVRA) to bolster summer job training programs and creating a parent feedback system.

The award is named for the late Phil Pickens, who served as state director of the Georgia Department of Education Special Services Department and who founded the Georgia Parent Mentor Partnership. Prior to joining CCSD, Ms. Green was hired by Mr. Pickens in 2003 to work for the Georgia DOE as an education program specialist.

As part of the honor, Ms. Green will serve as an advisor for the Partnership's Leadership Council.

Priority Area

Quality Workforce

Financial Impact

N/A

Exhibits: (List)

N/A

Source of Additional Information

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Cherokee County School District

Agenda Request Form

Meeting Date	Agenda Item Number
October 19, 2023	A-7

Title

Recognition of Carmel Elementary School -- Named a 2023 Georgia Title I Distinguished School

Requested Action

School Board Recognition of Carmel Elementary School -- Named a 2023 Georgia Title I Distinguished School

Summary Explanation and Background

A Cherokee County School District elementary school has been named a 2023 Distinguished School for Georgia!

Carmel Elementary School ranked among the top 5% of highest-performing Title I schools statewide to earn this recognition. The award honors students' performance on the English language arts and math sections of the Georgia Milestones test. Title I schools serve communities with higher rates of students receiving free or reduced price meals due to family income levels.

Carmel ES now is eligible for the prestigious National ESEA (Every Student Succeeds Act) Distinguished Schools award, which is presented to only two schools from each state for outstanding achievement. Winning schools, which each will receive an additional $20,000 in federal funding, are selected based on three areas: exceptional student performance, closing the achievement gap between student groups and excellence in serving special populations of students, such as homeless students and English Learners.

Priority Area

Organizational and Operational Effectiveness; Positive Culture and Climate; Quality Workforce

Financial Impact

N/A

Exhibits: (List)

N/A

Source of Additional Information

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Cherokee County School District

Agenda Request Form

Meeting Date	Agenda Item Number
October 19, 2023	A-8

Title

Recognition of Mountain Road Elementary School -- Named a 2023 State Literacy Leader

Requested Action

School Board Recognition of Mountain Road Elementary School -- Named a 2023 State Literacy Leader

Summary Explanation and Background

A Cherokee County School District elementary school has earned statewide recognition for outstanding growth in student reading skills!

Mountain Road Elementary School is one of only 155 schools statewide to be honored this month as Literacy Leaders by the Georgia Department of Education.

Only schools with a 15% or higher increase in third-grade students reading at grade level or above over the past school year and/or schools with 90% or more of third-graders reaching that literacy level were recognized. The Georgia Milestones Reading Status indicator, which is based on the Lexile score associated with students' performance on the English Language Arts section of the statewide Milestones test, determined honored schools. Mountain Road ES was honored for its growth in third-graders' reading success.

Mountain Road ES teachers and staff, led by Principal Erica Morrie, and CCSD's Office of Curriculum & Instruction team, led by Chief Academic Officer Dr. Nicole Holmes, are credited for this success.

Priority Area

Organizational and Operational Effectiveness; Quality Workforce

Financial Impact

N/A

Exhibits: (List)

N/A

Source of Additional Information

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Cherokee County School District

Agenda Request Form

Meeting Date	Agenda Item Number
October 19, 2023	A-9

Title

Recognition of Indian Knoll Elementary School -- Named Microsoft Showcase School

Requested Action

School Board Recognition of Indian Knoll Elementary School -- Named Microsoft Showcase School

Summary Explanation and Background

A Cherokee County School District school has earned a global honor for the third consecutive year recognizing its dedication to effectively using technology for teaching and learning.

Indian Knoll Elementary School has been selected by Microsoft as a 2023-24 Microsoft Showcase School in honor of its successful use of educational technology to benefit students and teachers. Only 30 U.S. schools were selected as Showcase Schools, and Indian Knoll ES is the only Georgia school named to the list.

As a Showcase School, Indian Knoll ES receives additional Microsoft resources and support and the opportunity to share innovative best practices with schools worldwide.

Indian Knoll is led by Principal Kim Cerasoli, with technology lab teacher Kristen Brooks and media specialist Jennifer Lewis heading up the school's educational technology programs. Principal Cerasoli said her school's international recognition is the result of their work in collaboration with instructional lead strategist Lauren Abrams, teachers Alyson Counts, Chelsea Leming, Rebecca Moore and Afton Roberts and CCSD Instructional Technology Specialist Merry Hofmeister.

Priority Area

Positive Culture and Climate; Quality Workforce

Financial Impact

N/A

Exhibits: (List)

N/A

Source of Additional Information

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Cherokee County School District

Agenda Request Form

Meeting Date	Agenda Item Number
October 19, 2023	A-10

Title

Recognition of 40 CCSD Teachers, Staff and Leaders -- Named 2023-24 Microsoft Innovative Educator Experts

Requested Action

School Board Recognition of 40 CCSD Teachers, Staff and Leaders -- Named 2023-24 Microsoft Innovative Educator Experts

Summary Explanation and Background

Microsoft Education has recognized 40 Cherokee County School District teachers, staff and school and school district leaders as among the world's top instructional technology experts!

One of those Microsoft Innovative Educator Experts honorees, CCSD Instructional Technology Specialist Merry Hofmeister, additionally has earned the prestigious Microsoft Innovative Educator Fellow honor for the fifth consecutive year.

The technology company selects top educators, support staff and school and school district leaders worldwide to earn this elite title awarded annually, which ranks honorees among the best globally at understanding how technology improves learning. CCSD leads the way with the most Microsoft Innovative Educator (MIE) Experts of any Georgia school district, claiming 40 of the 107 Experts named statewide. Experts receive access to new instructional resources and can participate in an exclusive online group for sharing best practices.

In addition to being named an Expert, Ms. Hofmeister is one of only 27 educators in the U.S. and three in Georgia to be named an MIE Fellow. This recognition honors demonstrated leadership and excellence by Experts through coaching, mentoring, leading professional development and presenting at conferences. Fellows, considered by their peers as the best among all Experts at technology integration, are called upon to share their knowledge with other educators.

Priority Area

Organizational and Operational Effectiveness; Quality Workforce

Financial Impact

N/A

Exhibits: (List)

List of Honorees

Source of Additional Information

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Barbara Jacoby	770.479.1871

CCSD's 2023-24 MIE Experts

Lauren Abrams, Indian Knoll ES

Danelle Anderson, Mountain Road ES

Kim Bennett, Office of Technology & Information Services

Bobby Blount, Office of Technology & Information Services

Kristen Brooks, Indian Knoll ES

Dr. Shannon Carroll, Office of Technology & Information Services

Kim Cerasoli, Indian Knoll ES

Jana Cervone , Bascomb ES

Lee Coker, Etowah HS

Alyson Counts, Indian Knoll ES

Kristin Covington, Mountain Road ES

Lisa Darrow, Woodstock MS

Karina Dean, Hickory Flat ES

Frank Graham, Office of Technology & Information Services

Lauren Hagood, Office of Technology & Information Services

Dixie Harper, Office of Technology & Information Services

Jordan Hofmeister, Tippens EC

Merry Hofmeister, Office of Technology & Information Services

Morgan Hudson, Creekview HS

Samantha Karel, Carmel ES

Ashley Kelsey, Mill Creek MS

Chelsea Leming, Indian Knoll ES

Jennifer Lewis, Indian Knoll ES

Caitlin Lyons, Avery ES

Jennifer Mendenhall, Bascomb ES

Rebecca Moore, Indian Knoll ES

Tammy Owen, Oak Grove ES STEAM Academy

Andrea Pagano, Oak Grove ES STEAM Academy

Lee Patti, Oak Grove ES STEAM Academy

Jeff Pence, Office of Technology & Information Services

Lauren Pittman, Woodstock ES

April Popham, Tippens EC

Afton Roberts, Indian Knoll ES

Heidi Sansone, Carmel ES

Lori Stuart, Office of Technology & Information Services

Tenille Turner, Macedonia ES

Jamie Vogan, Cherokee HS

Samantha Westerlind, Little River ES

Susanne Whitney, Little River ES

Marissa Williams, Hickory Flat ES

Cherokee County School District

Agenda Request Form

Meeting Date	Agenda Item Number
October 19, 2023	A-11

Title

Recognition of Cherokee County School District School Nutrition Program for Winning Golden Radish Award

Requested Action

School Board Recognition of Cherokee County School District School Nutrition Program for Winning Golden Radish Award

Summary Explanation and Background

The Cherokee County School District continues to earn top state honors for serving fresh nutritious meals to students!

CCSD's School Nutrition program, which serves 5 million meals annually, won the Golden Radish Award from the Georgia Department of Education School Nutrition Division. CCSD School Nutrition has earned the award every year since the program was established in 2014.

The award honors school nutrition programs that excel in providing fresh, locally grown produce and ingredients in meals; promoting the importance of farm to school food sourcing; and participating in school garden projects. Award criteria was developed by the Georgia Department of Education School Nutrition Division, Georgia Department of Agriculture, University of Georgia Extension and Georgia Department of Public Health.

Ms. Farmer and CCSD School Nutrition Supervisor Toni Hedges will be honored by Georgia Superintendent of Schools Richard Woods and other state leaders at a ceremony in October. The department also will receive school kitchen equipment donated by sponsors as part of the honor.

Priority Area

Organizational and Operational Effectiveness; Quality Workforce

Financial Impact

N/A

Exhibits: (List)

N/A

Source of Additional Information

Dr. Brian V. Hightower	770.479.1871
Barbara Jacoby	770.479.1871

Cherokee County School District

Agenda Request Form

Meeting Date	Agenda Item Number
October 19, 2023	A-12

Title

Approval of Renewal of Partnership Agreements

Requested Action

School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation to Approve the Renewal of Partnership Agreements

Summary Explanation and Background

One of the School Board's Blueprint 2020-24 Five Priority Areas is increasing meaningful family, partner and community engagement. We believe the meaningful connections we forge with students, families and community partners positively influence how we teach, lead and prepare graduates for success in a knowledge-based, technology rich and culturally diverse world.

The School Board is requested to consider the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the Partnership Agreement renewal with Cherokee Chorale, Girl Scouts of Greater Atlanta, Inc. and North Central Georgia Learning Resources System.

Priority Area

Family, Partner and Community Engagement

Financial Impact

N/A

Exhibits: (List)

Agreements Attached

Source of Additional Information

Dr. Brian V. Hightower	770.479.1871
Barbara Jacoby	770.479.1871

PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

AND

THE CHEROKEE CHORALE

This agreement entered into on this 19th day of October, 20~~17~~23 by and between the Cherokee County Board of Education, hereinafter referred to as the "School Board" and Cherokee Chorale, hereinafter referred to as Chorale.

WHEREAS, the School Board's mission is to educate the emerging generation through learning environments designed to increase the performance of all students; and,

WHEREAS, one of the School ~~Board's Major System Priorities is to increase parental and community involvement through public engagement policies and practices that treat parents, businesses, community-based organizations and agencies, local institutions of higher learning and other public entities as true partners in the educational process~~ District's Priority Areas is Family, Partner and Community Engagement; and,

WHEREAS, the Chorale's mission is to enrich the quality of life by promoting, developing and coordinating vocal/choral performance and education; and,

WHEREAS, the Chorale recognizes music performance and education as central in the programming scope of the Chorale and further recognizes the need to increase vocal and choral education in Cherokee County.

Now, therefore in consideration of the covenants and conditions set forth herein the parties agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

The parties agree that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.

ARTICLE II

The School Board will:

1. Provide the use school system facilities, waiving the rental fee as per the Community Use of System Facilities Policy (KG), for professional development and camp opportunities as coordinated by the Chorale. The Chorale will be responsible for any applicable utility, supervisory and/or custodial fees associated with facility use.
2. Promote Chorale programs and events through existing communication channels, as permitted by School Board policy, (including interoffice mail), specifically the promotion of summer camp and to support choral workshops to assist and strengthen high school and middle school choirs with the preparation necessary for District and State Choral Clinics and auditions.
3. Explore/pursue joint grant and professional development opportunities in both parties' best interest.

ARTICLE III

The Chorale will:

1. Provide qualified choral directors to assist in the preparation of high school and middle school choirs for district and state festivals/competition.
2. Provide opportunities as agreed upon by both parties for CCSD high school or middle school choirs to perform at a Chorale performance.
3. Explore/pursue joint grant and professional development opportunities in both parties' best interest.
4. Provide scholarship opportunities, as funds are available, to Cherokee County School District students who are seeking to further their education or career in Vocal Choral Performance or Vocal Choral Education at ~~Reinhardt University~~ a Georgia college or university..
5. Provide donations, as funds are available, to support the continued growth and development of the Cherokee County School District high school and middle choral programs. These donations will be provided on alternating years to the high school and middle school choral programs.
6. Abide by the rules and regulations contained in the facility use contract at each facility and those contained in the Community Use of System Facilities Policy (KG), including payment of utility, custodial and supervisory fees when applicable.
7. Conduct an interview with the principal of the facility prior to and after the use of the facility.
8. Provide a certificate of insurance naming the Cherokee County School Board as an additional insured for $1,000,000 of coverage on the liability insurance policy and proof of additional insurance for medical coverage of camp participants.
9. Provide judges for the School System Young Authors Fair (music entries), Governors Honors, and other related functions.

~~10. Offer monetary support to supply vocal artists/programs to Title I schools as funds are available.~~

11. Include CCSD High School and Middle School performance information on the Chorale webpage, www.cherokeechorale.org.
12. Accept all children/interested participants for participation within its programs without regard to their gender, race, political affiliation, age, national origin or handicapping condition or any other discrimination recognized and prohibited by State or Federal Law. Children/participants with handicaps must be provided all necessary levels of supervision and must be included within the activities of the partnering organization. As a result of this partnership agreement, the Chorale must adhere to all local, State or Federal laws regarding education.

ARTICLE IV

The term of this contract is October 19, 20~~17~~23 through October 19, 20~~18~~24. This contract shall automatically renew for additional terms not to exceed five years unless either party notifies the other at least 60 days prior to renewal date.

ARTICLE V

This contract may be terminated by either party upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other party with or without cause. All notice of this contract shall be given to the Superintendent of Cherokee County Schools at PO Box 769, Canton, Georgia 30114, and to the President of the Cherokee Chorale at P.O. Box 965, Canton, Georgia 30169.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have executed this document the first date referred to herein.

CHEROKEE CHORALE

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Jaime Merino, President

CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

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Kyla Cromer, Chairman

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Dr. Brian V. Hightower

Superintendent of Schools

Approved as to form:

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Abby Roach, Esquire

PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

AND

GIRL SCOUTS OF GREATER ATLANTA, INC.

This agreement entered into on this 19th day of October, 20~~17~~23 by and between the Cherokee County Board of Education, hereinafter referred to as the "School Board" and The Girl Scouts of Greater Atlanta, Inc. hereinafter referred to as "Girl Scouts".

WHEREAS, the School Board's mission is to educate the emerging generation through learning environments designed to increase the performance of all students; and,

WHEREAS, one of the School ~~Board's Major System Priorities is to increase parental and community involvement through public engagement policies and practices that treat parents, businesses, community-based organizations and agencies, local institutions of higher learning and other public entities as true partners in the educational process~~ District's Priority Areas is Family, Partner and Community Engagement; and,

WHEREAS, the School Board's mission is to enable all students to become contributing citizens who can communicate effectively, gather and use information, make responsible decisions and adapt to the challenges of the future; and,

WHEREAS, one of the School Board's Major System Priorities is to increase parental and community involvement through engagement policies and practices that treat parents, businesses, community-based organizations and agencies, local institutions of higher learning and other public entities as true partners in the educational process; and,

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts' mission is to develop girls into strong, self-assured women through a dynamic program which emphasizes character, community service, leadership and respect for others; and,

WHEREAS, through its programs for Cherokee County students the Girl Scouts help its members in achieving their full potential; and,

WHEREAS, the Girl Scouts are committed to expanding its program to include an increasing number of youth.

Now therefore in consideration of the covenants and conditions set forth herein the parties agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

The parties agree that the following recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference:

ARTICLE II

The School Board will:

1. Provide the use of the school system facilities for Girl Scout functions and programs, including meetings held to recruit girls during the school year and adult training events, as space is available. Girl Scout leaders will have the option of selecting evenings that are separate from Boy Scout recruitment meetings, as the school schedule allows.
2. Provide opportunities for recruitment, including displays at the elementary and middle schools, Girl Scout information in newsletters, and through other existing communication channels.
3. Assist in access to classrooms by volunteers to let students know about planned recruitment meetings.
4. Provide a School System liaison to work with the Girl Scouts in organizing events.

ARTICLE III

The Girl Scouts will:

1. Abide by the rules and regulations contained in the facility use contract at each facility and those contained in the Community Use of System Facilities Policy (KG), including custodial and supervisory fees when applicable.
2. Conduct an interview with the principal (or principal's designee) of each facility prior to and after the use of the facility.
3. Recognize Girl Scout Week by setting up displays, making announcements to the student body or using other activities approved by each school's administration.
4. Plan for and form Girl Scout troops that will meet as a part of the after school program in select schools. Recruiting leadership for these troops will be the responsibility of the Girl Scouts of Greater Atlanta.
5. Not discriminate against any partnership participant because of race, national origin, age or disability.
6. Accept all children/interested participants for participation within its programs without regard to their gender, race, political affiliation, age, national origin or handicapping condition or any other discrimination recognized and prohibited by State or Federal Law. Children/participants with handicaps must be provided all necessary levels of supervision and must be included within the activities of the

partnering organization. As a result of this partnership agreement, the Girl Scouts must adhere to all local, State or Federal laws regarding education.

ARTICLE IV

Facility use/rental fees will be waived in all the aforementioned requests for facility use, except for applicable supervisory, utility and custodial fees.

ARTICLE V

The term of this contract is October 19, 20~~17~~23 through October 19, 20~~18~~24. This contract shall automatically renew for additional terms not to exceed five years unless either party notifies the other at least 60 days prior to renewal date.

ARTICLE VI

This contract may be terminated by either party upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other party with or without cause. All notice of this contract shall be given to the Superintendent of Cherokee County Schools at PO Box 769, Canton, Georgia 30114, and to Ellen Newton, Chief Financial Officer, Girl Scouts of Greater Atlanta, 5601 North Allen Road, Mableton, GA 30126.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have executed this document the first date referred to herein.

GIRL SCOUTS OF GREATER ATLANTA, INC.

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By: Helen James, Risk and Business Operations Manager

THE CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

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By: Kyla Cromer, Chairman

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By: Dr. Brian V. Hightower

Superintendent of Schools

Approved as to form:

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Abby Roach, Esquire

PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

NORTH CENTRAL GEORGIA LEARNING RESOURCES SYSTEM

This agreement entered into on this 19th day of October, 20~~17~~23, by and between The Cherokee County Board of Education, hereinafter referred to as the "School Board" and North Central Georgia Learning Resources System hereinafter referred to as "North Central GLRS."

WHEREAS, the School Board's mission is to educate the emerging generation through learning environments designed to increase the performance of all students; and,

WHEREAS, one of the School ~~Board's Major System Priorities is to increase parental and community involvement through public engagement policies and practices that treat parents, businesses, community-based organizations and agencies, local institutions of higher learning and other public entities as true partners in the educational process~~ District's Priority Areas is Family, Partner and Community Engagement; and,

WHEREAS, North Central GLRS is funded entirely with federal discretionary funds made available through the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEA), in place to lend support to school systems as they provide services to students with disabilities.

Now therefore in consideration of the covenants and conditions set forth herein the parties agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

The parties agree that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference:

ARTICLE II

The School Board will:

1. Provide the use of school system facilities, waiving the rental fee as per the Community Use of System Facilities Policy (KG), for professional development opportunities as coordinated by GLRS.

ARTICLE III

North Central GLRS will:

1. Work in conjunction with the Department of Special Education to provide professional learning and technical assistance to support students with disabilities on a variety of topics related to the Region 2 Special Education District Needs Assessment and indicators in the Georgia State Performance Plan.
2. Agree to hold harmless and indemnify the School Board against any claims, demands, losses or damages, including reasonable attorneys' fees which may arise as a result of this contract.
3. Accept all children/interested participants for participation within its programs without regard to their gender, race, political affiliation, age, national origin or handicapping condition or any other discrimination recognized and prohibited by State or Federal Law. Children/participants with handicaps must be provided all necessary levels of supervision and must be included within the activities of the partnering organization. As a result of this partnership agreement, GLRS must adhere to all local, State or Federal laws regarding education.

ARTICLE IV

The term of this contract is October 19, 20~~17~~23 through October 19, 20~~18~~24. This contract shall automatically renew for additional terms not to exceed five years unless either party notifies the other at least 60 days prior to renewal date.

ARTICLE V

This contract may be terminated by either party upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other party with or without cause. All notice of this contract shall be given to the Superintendent of Cherokee County Schools at PO Box 769, Canton, GA, 30114; and to the Director of the North Central Georgia Learning Resources System, ~~4731 Old Highway 5 South, Ellijay, GA, 30540~~ 100 DB Carroll Street Jasper, GA 30143.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have executed this document the first date referred to herein.

NORTH CENTRAL GLRS

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By: Kelly Skinner, Director

THE CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

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By: Kyla Cromer, Chairman

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By: Dr. Brian V. Hightower

Superintendent of Schools

Approved as to form:

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Abby Roach, Esquire

Cherokee County School District

Agenda Request Form

Meeting Date	Agenda Item Number
October 19, 2023	A-13

Title

Approval of Proclamation in Honor of Retired Educators Day

Requested Action

School Board Approval of Proclamation in Honor of Retired Educators Day

Summary Explanation and Background

One of the School Board's Blueprint 2020-24 Five Priority Areas is increasing family, partner and community engagement. We believe the meaningful connections we forge with students, families and community partners positively influence how we teach, lead and prepare graduates for success in a knowledge-based, technology rich and culturally diverse world.

The Cherokee Retired Educators Association has requested that the School Board approve the attached proclamation in honor of Retired Educators Day on Sunday, November 5, 2023.

Priority Area

Family, Partner and Community Engagement

Financial Impact

N/A

Exhibits: (List)

Agreement Attached

Source of Additional Information

Dr. Brian V. Hightower	770.479.1871
Barbara Jacoby	770.479.1871

Retired Educators Day 2023

WHEREAS: The Governor of the State of Georgia has proclaimed the day of Sunday, November 5, 2023, as Retired Educators Day in Georgia; and

WHEREAS: There are more than 141,000 retired educators in Georgia, 32,000 plus of whom are members of the Georgia Retired Educators Association; and

WHEREAS: The retired educators of Georgia donate thousands of hours of volunteer service and make invaluable contributions to the welfare of their respective communities across the state; and

WHEREAS: It is appropriate that a day be designated for citizens to express their appreciation for the contributions that retired educators have made and continue to make for the betterment of human lives and for society; and

WHEREAS: The Cherokee Retired Educators Association has made and continues to make outstanding contributions to the Cherokee County School District; now

THEREFORE: We, the Cherokee County School Board, do hereby proclaim the day of November 5, 2023, as "RETIRED EDUCATORS DAY" and ask our students, staff and the community to reflect upon and show appreciation for the contributions of educators in their lives and to observe the day in an appropriate manner honoring retired educators

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand on this nineteenth day of October, in the year of two thousand twenty three and of the Independence of the United States of America the year two hundred and forty-eight.

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Kyla Cromer, School Board Chair

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Dr. Brian V. Hightower, Superintendent of Schools

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

RETIRED EDUCATORS' DAY

WHEREAS: More than 141,000 retired educators have devoted their time and talents to public education in our state, fostering the academic development of millions of outstanding citizens in the State of Georgia; and

WHEREAS: Retired educators touched and influenced the lives of generations of young people, motivating and inspiring their students to use their innate talents and abilities to the fullest, prompting them to become responsible, contributing citizens; and

WHEREAS: Retired educators possess valuable knowledge and are able to use their vast experience and skill to enrich the education process in varied settings, often continuing to be a major source of insight and direction in education for our state and nation; and

WHEREAS: For sixty-four years, the Georgia Retired Educators Association has dedicated its efforts to improving the welfare of retired educators, and it has provided opportunities for them to become involved in community activities; and

WHEREAS: On Retired Educators Day, the State of Georgia recognizes these individuals for their time and commitment to bettering our country, and encourages Georgians to express their gratitude for the work done by retired educators; now

THEREFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim November 6, 2022, as RETIRED EDUCATORS' DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 23rd day of August in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Two.

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

CHIEF OF STAFF

Cherokee County School District

Agenda Request Form

Meeting Date	Agenda Item Number
October 19, 2023	D-1

Title

September 2023 Financial Report and Sales Tax Update

Requested Action

School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of September 2023 Financial Report and Sales Tax Update

Summary Explanation and Background

Financial Report for September 2023

See Attached Reports

Priority Area

Organizational and Operational Effectiveness

Financial Impact

N/A

Exhibits: (List)

Financial Report and Sales Tax Update

Source of Additional Information

Dr. Brian V. Hightower	770.479.1871
Kenneth Owen	770.479.1871

CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Dr. Brian V. Hightower, Superintendent
Kenneth Owen, Chief Financial Officer

FINANCIAL REPORT
SEPTEMBER 2023

General Fund

For the month ending September 30, 2023, the third month of the 2023-24 Fiscal Year, the School District's Operating Account (General Fund) has received $36,453,393 in revenue (year-to-date) consisting of state funds of $29,299,710 (11% of budget), $5,825,772 local revenues (2% of budget), and other funds of $1,327,911 (41% of budget). All operating expenditures of $110,502,251 (21% of budget) are within the Board of Education's approved 2023-24 budget.

Building Fund/Ed-SPLOST Collections

The Capital Outlay Fund balance of $70,246,143 as of September 30, 2023 reflects Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax for Education (Ed-SPLOST) collections, proceeds of bond sales for capital outlay purposes, and transfers from the General Fund less bond refundings, bond issuance costs, transfers of Ed-SPLOST to the Debt Service Fund and capital outlay expenses paid.

Cherokee County School District received $5,339,709 for sales tax collections received in September 2023, for the month of August 2023, the eleventh month of 60 monthly sales tax collections for the 2022-2027 SPLOST. Collections received were above projections for the month by $491,100 and above cumulative projections by $8,615,912.

Ed-SPLOST collections are accumulated within the Building Fund to be used for specified capital outlay purchases (limited pay-as-you-go) and transferred to the Debt Service Fund at the appropriate time to meet annual bond obligations (January and July). Excess Ed-SPLOST collections above projections are used to meet critical capital outlay needs and/or transferred to the Debt Service Fund as a safeguard against future negative economic conditions, assuring the School District can meet future bond payments.

Debt Service Fund

The Debt Service Fund balance as of September 30, 2023 is $47,701,165 representing funds accumulated from Ed-SPLOST collections, collections from the 1.5 mills of property tax approved by the School Board, interest earned from investments and Invested Sinking Fund earnings. The Invested Sinking Fund is attached to the Series 2010B Bond issuance and is structured to fully pay the annual debt service on the Series 2010B bonds through January 2028. Annual Debt Service payments are made in February and August of each year, according to the Debt Service Schedule published annually in the Cherokee County School District Budget Book.

Federal/State/Competitive Grants and School Nutrition Funds

The School Nutrition Fund Balance as of September 30, 2023 is $17,498,410 and represents the difference between revenues from all sources and all expenditures. This amount is held in reserve to cover potential funding shortfalls or unexpected expenses.

Federal, State and Competitive grant funds are annually awarded to the School District based on funding formulas (Federal Title Programs) and/or program applications (State and competitive grants). As funds are expended, reimbursements are sought from the various programs. Local funds are not intended to cover shortfalls within grant programs nor are grants intended to carry a fund balance.

CHEROKEE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
FINANCIAL REPORT
AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

BALANCE SHEET	GENERAL FUND	DEBT SERVICE FUND	BUILDING FUND	FED FUNDS/ SCHOOL NUTRITION	TOTAL
ASSETS					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	$ 57,002,604	$ 18,504,919	$ 70,246,143	$ 1,216,052	$ 146,969,718
Investments	-	27,687,644	-	-	27,687,644
Receivables	854,300	1,508,602	-	17,715,289	20,078,191
Inventories	733,191	-	-	815,634	1,548,825
TOTAL ASSETS	$ 58,590,095	$ 47,701,165	$ 70,246,143	$ 19,746,975	$ 196,284,378
LIABILITIES					
Accounts Payable	$ 1,753,253	$ -	$ -	$ 1,588,489	$ 3,341,742
Salaries and Benefits Payable	16,052,779	-	-	660,076	16,712,855
FUND BALANCE	40,784,063	47,701,165	70,246,143	17,498,410	176,229,781
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	$ 58,590,095	$ 47,701,165	$ 70,246,143	$ 19,746,975	$ 196,284,378
REVENUE AND EXPENSE					
REVENUE	$ 36,453,393	$ 630,178	$ 11,988,043	$ 9,648,727	$ 58,720,341
EXPENDITURES	110,502,251	30,435,660	16,565,428	11,656,874	169,160,213
EXCESS REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES	(74,048,858)	(29,805,482)	(4,577,385)	(2,008,147)	(110,439,872)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(21,795)	17,255,484	(17,255,484)	-	(21,795)
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	114,854,716	60,251,163	92,079,012	19,506,557	286,691,448
ENDING FUND BALANCE	**$ 40,784,063**	**$ 47,701,165**	**$ 70,246,143**	**$ 17,498,410**	**$ 176,229,781**

CHEROKEE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL FUND COMPARISON OF BUDGET TO ACTUAL
JULY 1, 2023 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

	2023-2024 BUDGET	YEAR TO DATE	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE BUDGET
REVENUE				
Local Revenue	$ 278,889,605	$ 5,825,772		$ 273,063,833
State Revenue	261,331,178	29,299,710		232,031,468
Federal Revenue	199,068	217,661		(18,593)
Investment Earnings	2,615,553	1,110,250		1,505,303
Miscellaneous Revenue	424,258	-		424,258
TOTAL REVENUE	**543,459,662**	**36,453,393**		**507,006,269**
EXPENDITURES				
Instructional Services	372,167,165	70,411,058	$ 1,534,216	300,221,891
Pupil Services	22,830,491	4,224,981	2,226	18,603,284
Improvement of Instructional Services	19,065,691	6,741,450	1,242,591	11,081,650
Instructional Staff Training	824,962	170,039	4,247	650,676
Educational Media Services	5,909,656	1,192,150	146,792	4,570,714
General Administration	4,029,126	1,022,072	915	3,006,139
School Administration	32,571,787	8,206,542	16,333	24,348,912
Support Services-Business	3,670,470	987,846	24,687	2,657,937
Maintenance & Operation of Plant Services	41,919,858	9,602,194	2,170,293	30,147,371
Student Transportation Services	29,231,913	5,799,166	2,137,086	21,295,661
Support Services-Central	5,673,995	1,833,404	2,679	3,837,912
School Nutrition Program	170,190	311,349	-	(141,159)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	**538,065,304**	**110,502,251**	**7,282,065**	**420,280,988**
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Proceeds from Sale of Assets	154,611	78,205		76,406
Accounts Transfers Out	(29,756,126)	(100,000)		(29,656,126)
TOTAL OTHER FIN SOURCES (USES)	**(29,601,515)**	**(21,795)**		**(29,579,720)**
NET CHANGE FUND BALANCES	**$ (24,207,157)**	**$ (74,070,653)**	**$ (7,282,065)**	**$ 57,145,561**

CHEROKEE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
DEBT SERVICE FUND COMPARISON OF BUDGET TO ACTUAL
JULY 1, 2023 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

	2023-2024 BUDGET	YEAR TO DATE	AVAILABLE BUDGET
REVENUE			
Local Revenue	$ 19,469,523	$ 84,972	$ 19,384,551
Investment Earnings	1,186,018	293,772	892,246
Miscellaneous Revenue	2,936,976	251,434	2,685,542
TOTAL REVENUE	**23,592,517**	**630,178**	**22,962,339**
EXPENDITURES			
Debt Service	44,860,790	30,435,660	14,425,130
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	**44,860,790**	**30,435,660**	**14,425,130**
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Accounts Transfers In	25,425,105	17,255,484	8,169,621
TOTAL OTHER FIN SOURCES (USES)	**25,425,105**	**17,255,484**	**8,169,621**
NET CHANGE FUND BALANCES	**$ 4,156,832**	**$ (12,549,998)**	**$ 16,706,830**

CHEROKEE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BUILDING FUND COMPARISON OF BUDGET TO ACTUAL
JULY 1, 2023 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

	2023-2024 BUDGET	YEAR TO DATE	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE BUDGET
REVENUE				
Local Revenue	$ 57,052,068	$ 10,984,464		$ 46,067,604
State Revenue	2,500,000	-		2,500,000
Investment Earnings	2,719,957	1,003,579		1,716,378
TOTAL REVENUE	**62,272,025**	**11,988,043**		**50,283,982**
EXPENDITURES				
Instructional Services	26,465,978	4,942,540	$ 1,014,360	20,509,078
Facilities Acquisition and Construction Svs.	162,371,770	11,622,888	1,846,632	148,902,250
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	**188,837,748**	**16,565,428**	**2,860,992**	**169,411,328**
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Bond Issuance	75,000,000	-		75,000,000
Premiums on Bonds Sold	11,250,000	-		11,250,000
Accounts Transfers In	27,935,234	-		27,935,234
Accounts Transfers Out	(25,425,105)	(17,255,484)		(8,169,621)
TOTAL OTHER FIN SOURCES (USES)	**88,760,129**	**(17,255,484)**		**106,015,613**
NET CHANGE FUND BALANCES	**$ (37,805,594)**	**$ (21,832,869)**	**$ (2,860,992)**	**$ (13,111,733)**

CHEROKEE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
FEDERAL FUNDS AND SCHOOL NUTRITION COMPARISON OF BUDGET TO ACTUAL
JULY 1, 2023 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

	2023-2024 BUDGET	YEAR TO DATE	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE BUDGET
REVENUE				
Local Revenue	$ 7,897,437	$ 845,551		$ 7,051,886
State Revenue	1,666,380	416,847		1,249,533
Federal Revenue	45,207,663	8,162,490		37,045,173
Investment Earnings	25,000	223,839		(198,839)
TOTAL REVENUE	**54,796,480**	**9,648,727**		**45,147,753**
EXPENDITURES				
Instructional Services	23,040,667	4,330,889	$ 392,708	18,317,070
Pupil Services	8,911,315	1,652,162	11,409	7,247,744
Improvement of Instructional Services	1,219,313	271,000	149	948,164
Instructional Staff Training	2,358,070	385,568	408,759	1,563,743
School Administration	13,209	-	-	13,209
Maintenance & Operation of Plant Services	593,502	66,982	-	526,520
Student Transportation Services	592,591	65,060	-	527,531
Support Services-Central	187,212	13,690	35,727	137,795
School Nutrition Program	21,593,231	4,871,523	212,114	16,509,594
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	**58,509,110**	**11,656,874**	**1,060,866**	**45,791,370**
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Accounts Transfers In	1,265,587	-		1,265,587
TOTAL OTHER FIN SOURCES (USES)	**1,265,587**	**-**		**1,265,587**
NET CHANGE FUND BALANCES	**$ (2,447,043)**	**$ (2,008,147)**	**$ (1,060,866)**	**$ 621,970**

CHEROKEE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX (2022-2027)
COMPARISON OF COLLECTIONS
THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

REPORTING MONTH	60 MONTH COLLECTION MONTH	PERIOD	PROJECTED COLLECTIONS	ACTUAL COLLECTIONS	DIFFERENCE ACTUAL AND PROJECTED COLLECTIONS
November 2022	**October 2022**	**1**	$ 4,636,009	$ 5,328,786	$ 692,777
December 2022	**November 2022**	**2**	4,807,242	5,405,654	598,412
January 2023	**December 2022**	**3**	5,104,524	6,617,076	1,512,552
February 2023	**January 2023**	**4**	4,824,820	4,852,679	27,859
March 2023	**February 2023**	**5**	4,062,238	4,697,475	635,237
April 2023	**March 2023**	**6**	4,325,376	5,419,587	1,094,211
May 2023	**April 2023**	**7**	4,448,443	5,296,122	847,679
June 2023	**May 2023**	**8**	4,604,100	5,494,145	890,045
July 2023	**June 2023**	**9**	4,818,522	5,509,360	690,838
August 2023	**July 2023**	**10**	4,787,586	5,922,789	1,135,203
September 2023	**August 2023**	**11**	4,848,609	5,339,709	491,100
			$ 51,267,470	$ 59,883,382	$ 8,615,912

2022-2027 Ed-SPLOST Projected Collections

	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	TOTAL
January	-	4,824,820	4,921,317	5,019,743	5,120,138	5,222,541	25,108,558
February	-	4,062,238	4,143,483	4,226,353	4,310,880	4,397,097	21,140,052
March	-	4,325,376	4,411,884	4,500,122	4,590,124	4,681,927	22,509,432
April	-	4,448,443	4,537,412	4,628,160	4,720,723	4,815,138	23,149,876
May	-	4,604,100	4,696,182	4,790,105	4,885,907	4,983,625	23,959,919
June	-	4,818,522	4,914,893	5,013,191	5,113,455	5,215,724	25,075,784
July	-	4,787,586	4,883,338	4,981,005	5,080,625	5,182,237	24,914,790
August	-	4,848,609	4,945,582	5,044,493	5,145,383	5,248,291	25,232,358
September	-	4,619,404	4,711,792	4,806,027	4,902,148	5,000,191	24,039,561
October	4,636,009	4,766,013	4,861,333	4,958,560	5,057,731	-	24,279,647
November	4,807,242	4,899,541	4,997,532	5,097,482	5,199,432	-	25,001,229
December	5,104,524	5,403,573	5,511,645	5,621,878	5,734,315	-	27,375,934
TOTALS	**$ 14,547,775**	**$ 56,408,226**	**$ 57,536,391**	**$ 58,687,118**	**$ 59,860,861**	**$ 44,746,770**	**$ 291,787,141**

Cherokee County School District

Agenda Request Form

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October 19, 2023	D-2

Title

Authorization to Declare Surplus Property and Dispose of Said Property

Requested Action

School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of Declaring Surplus Property and Disposing of Said Property Pursuant to School Board Policy DO

Summary Explanation and Background

Annually the Superintendent and staff identify School District property as surplus and seek Board approval to dispose of surplus pursuant to School Board Policy DO.

School Administration Staff has the first opportunity to preview surplus property in order to determine if a need exists for it prior to the final sale date. Pursuant to written systemic partnership agreements, outside agencies will then be allowed to preview the surplus items. Surplus school buses and mobile classrooms will be offered first to other governmental entities, then to the general public if needed.

A surplus sale at public auction for all other items is set for Saturday, November 11, 2023 to be held at the Central Distribution Warehouse. The property has been inspected by Procurement, Technology and Federal Program/Special Education Staff to ensure that it is not usable for current CCSD educational programs.

Priority Area

Organizational and Operational Effectiveness

Financial Impact

2023-24 Budget Includes a Revenue Line Item of $76,255 for Disposal of Surplus.

Exhibits: (List)

Surplus Property Summary

Source of Additional Information

Dr. Brian V. Hightower	770.479.1871
Kenneth Owen	770.479.1871
Jeff Waderich	770.479.1871

CCSD Surplus Sale
November 11, 2023, Preview: 8:00am Sale Begins: 9:00am
Central Distribution Warehouse
201 Mountain Brook Court
Canton, GA 30115

School Principals and Department Heads have determined items in surplus inventory unusable primarily due to items being outdated or damaged and the cost to upgrade or repair exceeds the replacement cost. Items in surplus inventory include the following:

Classroom and Office Furniture

Desks (Metal, Wood and Administrative), Chairs (Student, Teachers, Administrative and folding), Tables (Rectangular, Round, Kidney, Folding, Computer and Printer), Dry Erase Boards, Cabinets (Wooden, Metal File and Storage), Bookcases, Art Easels, Globes, Study Carrels, Cubbies, Shelving, Sofas (Large and Small), Lunchroom Tables, Podiums, Sand Table, Clinic Bed, Kindergarten Appliance Sets

Equipment

Televisions, Projectors, Cassette Players, Headphones, AV Carts, Video Cameras, VCR/DVD Players, Microscopes, Washers, Dryers, Dishwashers, Coffee Maker, Misc. Science Equipment, Pull Down Maps and Screens, Overhead Projector, Media Alarm Sensors, Opaque Projectors, Kiln and Hood. Pottery Wheel, Robotic Arm and parts

Miscellaneous Office

Shredders, Laminators, Paper Cutters, Sorters, File Holders, Three-Hole Punch, Printer/Toner Cartridges, Clocks, Calculators, Heavy Duty Stapler, Electric Pencil Sharpeners, Adding Machines, Riso Graph Duplicators, Die Cut Machine and Stencils, Book Binding Machine, Postage Machine

School Food Services

Hobart Mixer, Milk Coolers, Serving Line Components, Microwaves, Proofers/Warmers, Small Kitchen Items (Knives, Spoons, Forks, Cutters, Peelers, Pans, Bowls, Spatulas, Scoops,) Stoves, Dishwasher, Scales, Metro Rack Shelving, Drink Containers, Hot/Cold Pass Throughs, Tilt Kettle, Tea Urns, Bread Rack, Electric Can Openers, Combi Ovens, Air Fryers, Stainless Steel Single Basin Sink

Support Services

HVAC Motors, Misc. Kitchen Equipment Parts, Pump Motors, Mini Split AC Unit, Industrial Circular Fans, Battery Changer, CNC Machine, Wet/Dry Vacuum, DeWalt Cordless Drills, Air Compressor, Stripping Machine, Paint Sprayer, Hoover Commercial Floor Machine, Tennant Floor Machine, Vacuum, Telecenter Intercom Cabinet

Transportation

(30) 2005-2006 Freightliner School Buses mileage ranging from 32,834–227,833, 2003 Ford F-250 - 201,816 miles, 2004 Ford F-250 - 229,091 miles, 2005 Dodge Caravan - 105,451 miles, 2007 Ford F-150 - 202,136 miles, Misc. Parts, Auto Lift, Auto Alignment Machine, Tire Balancer, Parts Cleaner

Miscellaneous

Partitions, Classroom Rugs, Ping Pong Table, Weightlifting Equipment, PE Equipment, Volleyball Cart with Poles, Special Needs Equipment, Sound Systems (Sound Board, Speakers and Subwoofers), Changing Table, Sewing Machines, Lighting Board, Reality Works Baby, Band Uniforms, Pianos, Metal Lockers, Portable Basketball Goals, Trampolines, Wrestling Mat, Popcorn Machine, Audiometers, Hearing Aid Devices, Pitching Machine

Cherokee County School District

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Title

Out of State Travel Request

Requested Action

School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of Out of State Travel

Summary Explanation and Background

See attachment for out of state travel requests to attend professional conferences.

Priority Area

Quality Workforce

Financial Impact

See Legend on Attached Out of State Travel Requests

Exhibits: (List)

Attached Out of State Travel Requests

Source of Additional Information

Dr. Nicole H. Holmes	770.479.1871
Dr. Keith A. Bryant	770.479.1871
Dr. Julie Dutko	770.479.1871

OUT OF STATE TRAVEL REQUESTS

Name	School	Dates	Reason	Place	Cost
Amy Graham, Executive Director	Division of Human Resources	10.23.23 – 10.25.23	*To attend Gartner ReimagineHR Conference 2023*	Orlando, FL	$4,641 ●
Stephanie Norris, Coordinator	Division of Curriculum and Instruction	02.07.24 – 02.09.24	*To attend GaDOE Curriculum Leaders' Conference*	Seattle, WA	1,938 ●
Dr. Amanda Ruiz, Coordinator	Division of Curriculum and Instruction	11.02.23 – 11.04.23	*To attend Innovative Schools Summit*	Chicago, IL	$1,585 ■
Kerry Estep, Principal	Hickory Flat ES				$1,702✦
Erica Morrie, Principal	Mountain Road ES				$1,702✦
Ashley Polito, Principal	Holly Springs ES				$1,702✦
Carey Blalock, Success Coach	Sequoyah HS				$1,646 ■
Lisa Chastain, Success Coach	Creekview HS				$1,659 ■
Lena Dominguez, Success Coach	River Ridge HS				$1,638 ■
Helen Lane, Success Coach	Woodstock HS				$1,641 ■
Steve Sapere, Success Coach	Etowah HS				$1,640 ■
Lindsay Bowley, Recruitment Supervisor	Division of Human Resources	11.01.23 – 11.04.23	*To attend Florida Association of School Psychologist Conference 2023 and Local University Campus Connections*	St. Petersburg. FL	$2, 352 ●

Joy Silk, Supervisor Elizabeth Crook, Digital Content Designer Nicholas Garcia, Digital Content Designer Jonathan Gustin, Digital Content Designer Adam Hardigree, Digital Content Designer Alan Johnson, Digital Content Designer Liane Moler, Digital Content Designer	Division of Curriculum and Instruction	02.26.24 – 02.28.24	*To attend Digital Learning Annual Conference*	Austin, TX	$1,752 ● $1,752 ❍ $1,752 ■ $1,752 ■ $1,752 ■ $1,752 ❍ $1,752 ■
Christina Saraiva, Recruitment Specialist	Division of Human Resources	11.07.23 – 11.08.23	*To attend Clemson University Education Networking Event*	Clemson, SC	$670 ⍓
Dr. Patti Howard, Lead Speech Language Pathologist	Division of Curriculum and Instruction	11.15.23 – 11.19.23	*To attend American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) National Convention*	Boston, MA	$2,469 ♦
Sandi Harrison, Principal Stacy Campbell, Teacher Angie Nalls, Teacher	Liberty ES	11.05.23 – 11.07.23	*To attend International Forum for National School of Character*	Washington, DC	$1,793 ● $1,793 ● $1,793 ●

Scott Dubee, Teacher	C3 Academy	11.12.23 – 11.14.23	*To attend High School Aviation STEM Symposium*	Orlando, FL	$1,795❖
Casey Eubanks, Teacher	Sequoyah HS	12.21.23 – 12.22.23	*To attend The Midwest Band and Orchestra Clinic*	Chicago, IL	$290 ●
Laura Peterson, Teacher	Cherokee HS	11.16.23 – 11.18.23	*To attend National Conference for Teachers of English Annual Convention*	Columbus, OH	$323 Ω

Legend

● - Local Funds, FY2023-24
■ - ARP Funds, FY2023-24
✦ - School-Based Innovation Zone and Local Funds, FY2023-24
❍ - District State Staff Development Funds, FY2023-24
Ⱥ – Title II Funds, FY2023-24
♦ - District Title VIB Funds, FY2023-24
❖ - Carl Perkins Funds, FY2023-24
Ω - School-Based State Staff Development Funds, FY2023-24

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Title

Out of State and Overnight Field Trips

Requested Action

School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of Out of State and Overnight Field Trips

Summary Explanation and Background

See Attached List of Field Trips

Priority Area

Organizational and Operational Effectiveness

Financial Impact

N/A

Exhibits: (List)

See Attachment

Source of Additional Information

Dr. Brian V. Hightower	770.479.1871
Dr. Nicole H. Holmes	770.479.1871

ATTACHMENT: OVERNIGHT AND OUT-OF-STATE FIELD TRIPS

I. Curriculum-Based Trips

School	Grade	Date	Destination	Reason/Nature
River Ridge HS	9 – 12	06.01.25 – 06.09.25	Paris, Loire Valley, St. Malo, Normandy Region, France	French students will experience culture and tour historical sites.
Sequoyah HS	9 – 12	12.07.23 – 12.10.23	New Orleans, LA	Speech and Debate Team will participate in the National Speech and Debate Tournament.
Sequoyah HS	9 – 12	02.15.24 – 02.19.24	Boston, MA	Speech and Debate Team will participate in the Harvard National Tournament.

II. Student Activities/Athletic-Based Trips

School	Grade	Date	Destination	Reason/Nature
E.T. Booth MS	8	04.11.24 – 04.13.24	Gatlinburg, TN	The ET Booth MS 8th Grade Band and Chorus are traveling to Gatlinburg, TN to participate in the Smoky Mountain Music Festival.
Creekview HS	9 – 12	03.09.24 – 03.10.24	Chattanooga, TN	The Creekview HS Girls Lacrosse Team are traveling to Baylor School to compete in a competition.
River Ridge HS	9 – 12	03.15.24 – 03.18.24	Orlando, FL	The River Ridge HS Chorus and Orchestra are traveling to Universal Studios to participate in Music in the Parks.
Sequoyah HS	9 – 12	02.15.24 – 02.19.24	Orlando, FL	The Sequoyah HS Marching Band are traveling to Walt Disney World for a performance.

Cherokee County School District

Agenda Request Form

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Title

Monthly Update on Capital Outlay Projects

Requested Action

School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of the Monthly Update on Capital Outlay Projects

Summary Explanation and Background

See the attached report from the Chief Support Services Officer regarding the status of the current Capital Outlay Projects

Priority Area

Organizational and Operational Effectiveness

Financial Impact

N/A

Exhibits: (List)

See Attachment

Source of Additional Information

Trey Moores	770.479.1871
Ken Godfrey	770.479.1871

Cherokee County School District

DATE: 13 October 2023

TO: Dr. Brian V. Hightower
Superintendent of Schools

FROM: Trey Moores
Chief Support Services Officer

SUBJECT: Construction Status Reports

The Office of Capital Improvements (OCI) staff has reviewed the architect's monthly status report on the current construction projects. A summary of the progress for each project is shown below:

Cherokee HS Replacement ~ Site Package

- Installations of the storm drain and water lines are complete.
- Curb and gutter installations are nearing completion.
- Final grading is ongoing.
- Permanent fencing for perimeter is finished.
- Site – final stage
- Removal of excess dirt and rock has begun.

Cherokee HS Replacement ~ Building Package

- Pier foundation and footing concrete placement continues in the main academic building and is underway on the CTAE wing.
- Mechanical, electrical, and plumbing in main academic building and CTAE are in progress.
- Generators, transformers, and switch gear submittals have been approved for the electrical contractor to place orders.

Free Home ES Replacement

- Installation of the building footers, under slab rough-in, and concrete slabs are complete.
- Block wall construction is ongoing.
- Parking lot curbs and asphalt base installations are completed.
- Site work is nearing completion.
- Structural steel has been delivered and installation has commenced.

Trey Moores TM

TM/KG:mm
Attachments

1205 Bluffs Parkway
Canton, Georgia 30114
770.479.1871
www.cherokeek12.net



Northwest Facing



Front Entrance



East Facing – Main Gym

Free Home Elementary School Replacement



Aerial Facing Northeast



Aerial Facing Southwest

Free Home Elementary School
Replacement



Bus Loop



Classroom
Halls

Cherokee County School District

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Title

Creekland MS Classroom Addition and Creekview HS Classroom Addition & Auxiliary Gym

Requested Action

School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of Proposals for the Creekland MS Classroom Addition and Creekview HS Classroom Addition & Auxiliary Gym

Summary Explanation and Background

Proposals were received by the School District for the construction of the Creekland MS Classroom Addition and Creekview HS Classroom Addition & Auxiliary Gym on September 13, 2023. Subsequently, all proposals for this construction project have been transmitted to School Board Members for their review and consideration. Upon review of all the information provided, the School Board will take action on the Proposals for Construction.

Priority Area

Organizational and Operational Effectiveness

Financial Impact

Funds for the project have been included in the Board Approved FY2024 Capital Outlay Budget

Exhibits: (List)

Summary of Proposals will be provided at the October 19, 2023, School Board Meeting

Source of Additional Information

Dr. Brian V. Hightower	770.479.1871
Trey Moores	770.479.1871
Mitch Hamilton	770.479.1871

Cherokee County School District

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Title

Sanitary Sewer Easement on Woodstock ES Campus to Adjoining Property Owner

Requested Action

School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of Sanitary Sewer Easement on Woodstock ES Campus to Adjoining Property Owner

Summary Explanation and Background

The property owner to the south of the Woodstock ES Campus is requesting a sanitary sewer easement to allow connection of their property to the City of Woodstock Sewer System. Once School Board approves the easement to the property owner, CCSD Support Services will begin the process of designing/delineating the easement area for final signatures.

Priority Area

Organizational and Operational Effectiveness

Financial Impact

N/A

Exhibits: (List)

See Attachment

Source of Additional Information

Trey Moores	770.479.1871
Mitch Hamilton	770.479.1871

Cherokee County School District

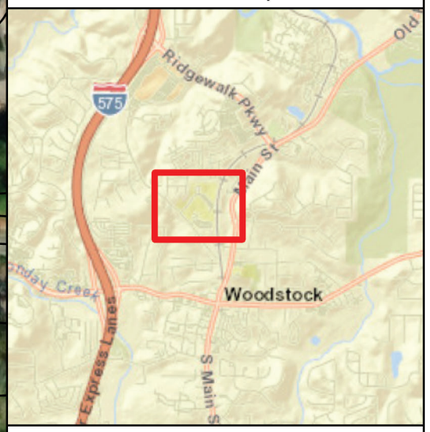
Map Legend

- Proposed Easement
- Property Ownership Parcels
- CCSD Owned Property

General Notes:

Property owner to the South of Woodstock ES is requesting a sewer easement along the East property line of Woodstock ES to attach to the city gravity sewer system.

Location Map



Woodstock ES
Requested Sewer
Line Easement

0 100 200 300 Feet

N W E S

Cherokee County School District

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Title

Recommendations and Resignations/Terminations of Employment for Certified and Classified Personnel

Requested Action

School Board Consideration of Superintendent's Recommendation for Approval of Recommendations, Resignations, Terminations of Employment and Transfers for Certified and Classified Personnel

Summary Explanation and Background

The recommendations include the following items:

1. Certified Recommendations
2. Certified Resignations/Terminations of Employment
3. Classified Recommendations
4. Classified Transfers
5. Classified Resignations/Terminations of Employment

Priority Area

Quality Workforce

Financial Impact

N/A

Exhibits: (List)

Summary List of Recommendations

Source of Additional Information

Dr. Brian V. Hightower	770.479.1871
Rick Beaulieu	770.479.1871

Cherokee County School District

G1 Summary Report

BOE Meeting Date: 10/19/2023

Certified Recommendations

Name	Location	Position	Start Date
Molley, Beth	Arnold Mill Elem School	EIP Teacher	10/30/2023
Vermillion, Katherine	Carmel Elem School	3rd Grade Teacher	10/30/2023
Korf, Amanda	Clark Creek Elem School	Sped IRR Teacher	10/16/2023
Couch, Pamela	Dean Rusk Mid School	Sped IRR Teacher	10/16/2023
Cahill, Ana	Macedonia Elem School	Sped IRR Teacher	9/25/2023
Jones, Rosalynn	Special Education	Behavior Specialist	9/14/2023

Certified Transfers

Name	Location	Position	Start Date
No records found			

Certified Resignations/Terminations

Name	Location	Position	End Date
Phillips, Allyson	Arnold Mill Elem School	PE Teacher	10/27/2023
Coppet, Adisha	Carmel Elem School	3rd Grade Teacher	10/27/2023
Johnson, Julia	Clayton Elem School	Sped IRR Teacher	12/22/2023
Sealock, Julie	Dean Rusk Mid School	Sped IRR Teacher	10/13/2023
Pelli, Patric	E.T. Booth Mid School	Sped IRR Teacher	10/19/2023
Baldwin, Virginia	R.M. Moore Elem School	EIP Teacher	11/30/2023
Carroll, Laurie	R.M. Moore Elem School	EIP Teacher	10/31/2023
McMichen, Amy	R.M. Moore Elem School	Psychologist	9/28/2023

Classified Recommendations

Name	Location	Position	Start Date
Kendall, Theresa	Ace Academy	IDTRANS ParaPro	9/14/2023
Gravitte, Amy	Avery Elem School	IEP ParaPro	10/10/2023
Etris, Amanda	Ball Ground Elem School	AU ParaPro	9/25/2023
Sanders, Jane	Boston Elem School	EBD ParaPro	10/16/2023
Copeland, Christine	Cherokee High School	IEP ParaPro	10/2/2023
Spriggs, Donna	Creekland Mid School	School Nutrition Asst Manager	10/23/2023
Moon, Susan	Hickory Flat Elem School	Clerical 3	10/2/2023
Jaquez, Giselle	Indian Knoll Elem School	Clerical 3	9/25/2023
Weathington, Stephanie	Mill Creek Mid School	MI-MOD ParaPro	10/10/2023
Chancey, Amber	Sixes Elem School	IEP ParaPro	10/16/2023
Lauren, Alexandra	Sixes Elem School	IEP ParaPro	10/2/2023
Moss, Adam	Support Services-Maintenance	Warehouse Assistant	9/25/2023
Nash, Stephanie	Teasley Mid School	MI-MOD ParaPro	10/16/2023
Pitts, Victoria	Teasley Mid School	SI ParaPro	10/2/2023
Reece, Charles	Transportation	Bus Driver Relief	10/3/2023
Bradberry, Amanda	Transportation	Bus Driver Relief	9/26/2023
Crisione, Victoria	Transportation	Bus Driver Relief	9/26/2023
Orndorf, Trent	Transportation	Bus Driver Relief	10/31/2023
Cantrell, Sharon	Transportation	Bus Driver Relief	9/26/2023
Gilstrap, Courtney	Transportation	Bus Driver Relief	10/31/2023
Rodriguez Nunez, Jorquelis	Transportation	Bus Driver Relief	10/31/2023
Zaouai, Naima	Transportation	Bus Driver Relief	10/31/2023
Shaw, Gregory	Transportation	Bus Driver Relief	10/31/2023

Cherokee County School District

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BOE Meeting Date: 10/19/2023

Classified Recommendations

Name	Location	Position	Start Date
Walas, Dolitha	Transportation	Bus Driver Relief	10/31/2023
Morris, Michael	Transportation	Bus Driver Relief	10/31/2023
Troas, Blanca Luz	Woodstock High School	School Nutrition Worker	9/29/2023
Rampley, Amanda	Woodstock High School	School Nutrition Worker	9/12/2023

Classified Transfers

Name	Location	Position	Start Date
D'Antuono, Sara	Curriculum & Instruction	Clerical 6	10/16/2023
Didzbalis, Aimee	E.T. Booth Mid School	Sped IRR Teacher	10/23/2023
Marin, Cecilia	Federal Programs	Clerical 5	9/25/2023
Walker, Savanah	Hasty Elem School	Sped IRR Teacher	10/5/2023
Walkey, Angela	Holly Springs Elem School	Kindergarten Teacher	10/2/2023
Haygood, Bobby	Support Services-Maintenance	Maint Facility Tech Lead	10/16/2023
Hendrix, Brent	Support Services-Maintenance	Maint Facility Tech Lead	10/16/2023
McGhee, Nicholas	Support Services-Maintenance	Maint Facility Tech Lead	10/16/2023
Bryant, Joel	Support Services-Maintenance	Maint Facility Tech Lead	10/16/2023
Phouangphet, Veuy	Support Services-Maintenance	Maint Facility Tech Lead	10/16/2023

Classified Resignations/Terminations

Name	Location	Position	End Date
Hunter, Tammie	Admin - Financial Management	Clerical 8	11/30/2023
Roberson, James	Admin - Safety & Security	Police Officer	9/29/2023
Carcamo, Pia	Arnold Mill Elem School	AU ParaPro	9/29/2023
Brown, Lois	Creekview High School	School Nutrition Worker	10/6/2023
Trammell, Debbie	Freedom Mid School	SI ParaPro	11/30/2023
Lepore, Jonathan	Maintenance	Maint Facility Tech	9/12/2023
McDonald, Cassie	River Ridge High School	MI-MOD ParaPro	12/21/2023
Wittel, Violet	River Ridge High School	School Nutrition Worker	9/15/2023
Rogers, Stacey	Sixes Elem School	AU ParaPro	10/13/2023
Antunez, Megan	Teasley Mid School	LPN Nurse	10/5/2023
Gardiner, Joseph	Teasley Mid School	MI-MOD ParaPro	10/13/2023
Lewis, Bernadette	Teasley Mid School	SI ParaPro	9/7/2023
Waters, Willis	Transportation	Bus Attendant	10/20/2023
Visger, Lynnette	Transportation	Bus Attendant	9/29/2023
Braddock, Michael	Transportation	Bus Driver	9/27/2023
Hawkins, Karen	Transportation	Bus Driver	11/30/2023
McCart, Stephen	Transportation	Bus Driver	9/8/2023
Fick, Bruce	Transportation	Bus Driver	9/15/2023
Rowin, Leah	Transportation	Bus Driver	10/13/2023
Turner, Robert	Transportation	Bus Driver Relief	9/1/2023
Languren, Delia	Transportation	Bus Driver Relief	9/26/2023
Parton, George	Transportation	Bus Driver Relief	10/31/2023
Alamo-Hernandez, Leyanet	Woodstock Elem School	School Nutrition Worker	9/29/2023
Ernst, Beverly	Woodstock High School	Clerical 3	12/22/2023
Fox, Alison	Woodstock High School	School Nutrition Worker	9/15/2023
Blank, Laura	Woodstock Mid School	Vision ParaPro	10/13/2023