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**TIM HARSE SELECTED AS WESTWOOD ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL
AND ATHLETIC DIRECTOR**

Pending Board Approval

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After an extensive interview process, Cheney Public Schools is pleased to announce that Tim Harse has been selected as the next assistant principal and athletic director of Westwood Middle School, pending Board approval. The interview process included representatives from several stakeholder groups—district administration, staff, and students—who interacted and engaged with each candidate throughout the process.

Westwood Middle School staff and district leadership collaborated to lead each candidate through the comprehensive interview process, and Westwood students were included as they engaged with each candidate on a tour of campus. Following this process, Harse was selected as the best fit to join the administrative staff at Westwood Middle School.

“We look forward to having Tim join our Wolverine pack as Assistant Principal and Athletic Director,” incoming Westwood Principal Alison Tobler said. “Mr. Tim Harse aligns with the Westwood philosophy of being student-centered and serving all families.”

Harse will arrive at Westwood following 10 years of classroom experience as a middle school language arts and social studies teacher. He also spent two years in behavioral intervention at Eagle Peak Alternative School, part of the Spokane Public Schools district, as well as eight years at Evergreen Middle School with Central Valley School District. He has been active in extra-curricular activities, coaching both cross country and debate throughout his career. Since July 2022, Harse has also served as the Dean of Students at North Pines Middle School where he facilitated the PBIS team, supported PLC teams, and led the implementation of restorative practices. He holds a bachelor’s degree from Eastern Washington University in Secondary Education, with a Master’s in Educational Leadership. Harse also earned his Principal Certification from EWU in June 2022.

“I am incredibly grateful to have been selected as the Assistant Principal and Athletic Director at Westwood Middle School!” Harse said. “It is exciting to be able to have the opportunity to serve a strong learning community that supports all students in achieving through offering high-quality curricular and extra-curricular activities.”