



Community Connections

For our children, our community, our world, our future

Important dates:

June 22

School Board Meeting; Public Forums; 5:30 pm.,
Cheney High School Auditorium

June 24

All school buildings close for summer

July 12

2022-2023 Student Registration, all school sites, 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

July 13

School Board Meeting; 5:30 pm.,
Cheney High School Auditorium

July 21

2022-2023 Student Registration, all school sites, 12:00 - 4:00 pm

August 1

Secondary School Offices reopen

August 8

Elementary School Offices reopen

Parents, Guardians, and Community Members,

On this last day of the 2021-2022 school year I would like to extend a huge "thank you" to all of the parents, families, and staff members for all that you do and have done in support of students throughout this past year. While there were definitely a few challenges, there were many more successes and we should take the time to recognize and celebrate all that has been accomplished.

The end of the school year is the culmination of an educational career for our seniors and the class of 2022. On June 7th we had the opportunity to celebrate six students who graduated from our Community Transitions program during a wonderful ceremony. The next day we were able to honor graduates from the class of 2022 during our annual "Time to Honor" ceremony which was held in the beautiful new auditorium at Cheney High School. On Friday, June 11th the Cheney High School graduation ceremony was held at Reese Court on the EWU campus with over two-hundred-eighty graduates and on Saturday, June 12th the Three Springs High School graduation ceremony was held at Northern Quest with a record forty-four graduates. The class of 2022 definitely faced many challenges throughout their high school career. However, they persevered and rose above each and every one of them to become high school graduates. Congratulations to the class of 2022!

As many of you know, I have accepted the superintendent position at NEWESD 101 and will be leaving Cheney Public Schools at the end of June (thus, this will be my last monthly message). I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to our families, students, staff, and community members. I have truly been blessed to have the opportunity to serve as the superintendent of Cheney Public Schools since July of 2016. There are so many wonderful memories from the past six years and I will always cherish the time I have had to lead and work alongside so many incredible people from Airway Heights, Cheney, and the West Plains. This community is our home and where we will continue to raise our family. I spoke earlier of celebrating graduates and I have been extremely fortunate to present diplomas to two of my own children as they graduated from Cheney High School. This school district is a very special place and it is because of the wonderful people who work in and support our schools. THANK YOU!

Finally, I am very excited that Dr. Ben Ferney has been selected to lead the school district as the next superintendent. Dr. Ferney is looking forward to being here and will do an exceptional job as superintendent of Cheney Public Schools. I can't wait to see the amazing work that will occur as Ben works alongside staff and community members and leads the school district into the future. I encourage you to reach out and welcome Dr. Ferney and his family to the district.

Again, thank you for your support of our students, staff, and school district and for allowing me to serve as the superintendent of Cheney Public Schools. Take care and have a wonderful summer!

Robert W. Roettger

Robert W. Roettger, Superintendent

Our essential foundations

- ★ High Expectations and Continuous Progress
- ★ Involvement and Engagement with School District Community
- ★ Stewardship and Planning

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Character Trait for June

Integrity

Living a set of values which includes honesty, respect for others and a sense of personal responsibility

June 2022

PACE Student of the Year

Please join us in congratulating our PACE Student of the Year winners at each of our schools. The West Plains Chapter of Partners Advancing Character Education (PACE) recognizes one student at each school for consistently demonstrating exceptional character, and bringing character to light for themselves, their classmates, their schools and community.

Zoe Leonetti – Betz Elementary School
Miles Moseley – Salnave Elementary School
Logan Kernen – Snowdon Elementary School
Azalea Lamont – Sunset Elementary School
Jonathan Ripley – Windsor Elementary School
Jessica Richards – Home Works!
Amira Islam-Zwart – Cheney Middle School
Gretchen Schmitt – Westwood Middle School
Jenna Mansfield – Cheney High School
Hatch Houston – Three Springs High School
Congratulations to the PACE award winners!



Summer Bus Driver Training Announced

Transporting students safely to and from school and activities is an extremely important and critical aspect of our overall school system. For students that are bus riders, the driver is the first and last staff member to see them on school days. Drivers are essential in not only transporting students safely, they build relationships, encourage, hear of their successes, challenges, joys and accomplishments. It truly can be a rewarding experience for drivers and students alike.

Are YOU this unique and caring individual that we are seeking to make a difference in these children's lives? Do you know of someone that sounds like a perfect match for this opportunity? We have an amazing transportation team and seek additional drivers to join the department – regular drivers as well as substitute drivers. Cheney Public Schools will be holding two driver training sessions over the summer, including classroom instruction and behind-the-wheel training. Please call the transportation department at 509-559-4523 for more details.

Applicants must be at least 22 years of age and possess a valid drivers license.



CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2022!



Community Transitions

Cheney Public Schools does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, economic status, pregnancy, familial status, marital status, disability, or the use of a trained guide dog or service animal, and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The following employees have been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination.

Title IX/Chapter 28A.640 Officer/
Civil Rights Compliance Coordinator/ADA Coordinator
Tom Arlt, Assistant Superintendent
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Section 504 Coordinator
Franklin Day, Director, Student Support Services
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Helen Page, Public Records Officer
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