



Community Connections

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

Important dates:

March 9
CHS Construction
Tour, Cheney High
School, 5:30 p.m.

March 11
School Board Meeting
Cheney High School
Library, 11 a.m.

March 12
Parent/Teacher
Conferences — no
school

March 13
Parent/Teacher
Conferences — no
school

March 25
School Board Meeting
Cheney High School
Library, 6 p.m.

April 6-10
Spring Break —
no school

Parents, Guardians, and Community Members,

Each day there is new information related to the coronavirus (COVID-19) and the impact this virus is having upon our state, nation, and world. As a school district we are taking this public health concern seriously and preparing to do everything that we can to ensure the safety of our students, staff, and community.

Below are several of the steps Cheney Public Schools is proactively taking to address the COVID-19 issue.

- 1) **HAND WASHING:** We are practicing additional hand washing within all of our schools and buildings. This has occurred through increased signage and discussions with students related to the importance of handwashing.
- 2) **CLEANING:** We have initiated a cleaning protocol for our school district buses and each of our schools. This protocol will ensure we disinfect each school bus at least weekly (more often as needed) and provide deep cleaning and additional disinfecting at each school at least once per week (scheduled for Fridays). As conferences are March 12th and 13th, we are planning to disinfect and deep clean both Wednesday and Friday of next week.
- 3) **TRAVEL:** We are analyzing all student travel outside of our region, even though the regional health department is not currently limiting in-state travel. While Thursday's high school DECA trip to Bellevue was cancelled, we currently plan to continue with trips that are to areas/regions that have not been impacted by COVID-19. Each planned trip will be assessed individually.
- 4) **HEALTH:** We have asked parents to keep students home (and are asking staff to follow the same precautions) when they have any of the following symptoms: harsh, frequent cough; fever of 100 degrees or above; sore throat accompanied by fever; diarrhea and/or vomiting; or, a rash that is spreading. The Spokane Regional Health Department has also provided guidance stating that students who are experiencing fever and respiratory symptoms should not return to school until they have been fever free for 72 hours.



As a school district we will continue to monitor the ever-changing coronavirus (COVID-19) issue and work closely with the ESD, OSPI, and the health department.

It is difficult to provide every bit of information related to our district's response to the coronavirus (COVID-19) in one newsletter. Therefore, please visit our district website at www.cheneysd.org and click on the coronavirus (COVID-19) quick link for additional information and resources. In addition, if you have specific questions that have not been addressed in this message or on our website, please contact your child's school or our district office at 509-559-4502.

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 March
DILIGENCE

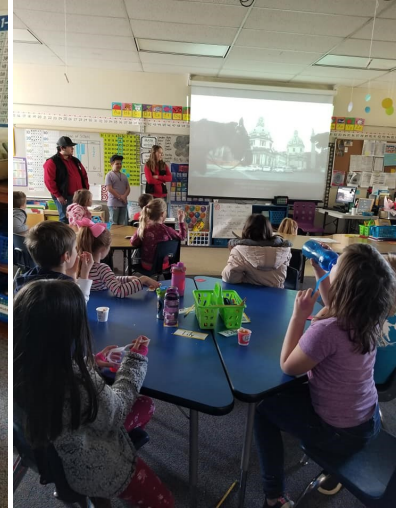
Persistence, dedication and hard work.

Learning for all

Career and Technical Education's foundation is built upon taking classroom learning and extending it into the community. This month Cheney High School's American Sign Language teacher Jessica Lauber took her students on a field trip to Betz Elementary, where they taught the younger students a variety of signs. Our high schoolers had a great time sharing their learning with Betz students, who were also excited to show off their new skills!

Also this month, 12 members of the Cheney FFA visited first and second grade classrooms at Snowdon Elementary to teach kids about horse care, feed, and events.

They brought with them examples of feed, photos of different horse breeds and horsey coloring pages.



JOIN US FOR A

CHENEY HIGH SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION TOUR

MONDAY, MARCH 9

Tours at 5:30, 6:00, and 6:30 P.M.

**Come tour the newly completed areas of
Cheney High School!**

460 N 6TH ST, CHENEY

Tours will leave every thirty minutes from the CHS auditorium lobby at 5:30, 6:00 and 6:30 p.m. There will be a construction presentation in the auditorium between tours.

Game time!

We had a blast at Cheney High School's Diversity Assembly! Students cheered on their peers in a unified basketball game and a wheelchair basketball game, and heard a presentation by the recently-formed Native Culture Club.



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