



Community Connections

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

Important dates:

April 3-7
Spring Vacation—
No School

April 19
School Visit
at Snowdon
Elem. School,
1:00 p.m.
School Board
Meeting, 4:00 p.m.



April
Character Trait
TRUSTWORTHINESS:
Inspiring complete
reliability and
confidence in his/
her truthfulness,
integrity and
discretion

Parents, Guardians and Community Members,

First and foremost, I want to take this opportunity to thank our community for your outstanding and continued support. The district bond measure, which was on the February 14 ballot, passed with a final approval rating of 61.14%. The passage of this bond measure will allow for expansion, renovation and security improvements at Betz Elementary, Sunset Elementary, Windsor Elementary, and Cheney High School. In addition, Salnave Elementary will receive security upgrades, the Three Springs High School portables will be relocated, and the district will have additional funds available for the purchase of land for future school sites.

With the passage of the bond measure, we have begun working on and identifying next steps in our project planning. To date, we have interviewed and hired a construction management firm, have worked closely with D.A. Davidson in the creation of a timeline for the sale of bonds, have visited a school district in our region to discuss the processes they have used in recent construction projects, and have initiated a weekly district capital projects meeting. Our immediate next steps will be to initiate the process to hire an architect and to make decisions related to the utilization of the GC/CM (General Contractor/Construction Manager) or Design/Bid/Build process (or a combination of both).

There will be many steps and a lot of planning that will occur between now and the completion of the various projects. Please know that as a district we are committed to providing timely planning updates, project timelines, and construction progress updates throughout the duration of our construction projects. In addition to providing these updates in our monthly newsletter, we will have information available on our district website at www.cheneysd.org.

Again, on behalf of our Board of Directors and district, I would like to thank all of our patrons for their support of our students and school facilities! I truly feel blessed to lead a school district that receives the type of support that we have in Cheney Public Schools. If you have any questions related to our upcoming capital projects, or any other aspect of our work, please feel free to call me at 509-559-4502 or email me at roettger@cheneysd.org.

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Robert W. Roettger

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Superintendent

*Thank you, voters,
for your support of
our students!*

Our essential foundations

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

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CHS Spokane Scholars nominees



The Spokane Scholars nomination is designed to award the top academic students enrolled in Spokane County high schools with cash grants and college assistance for their accomplishment in six academic areas. Those nominated from Cheney High School are, from left to right, Andrew Jenkins - Science, Sydney Zaph - Social Studies, Rylie Pease - Math, Callan Hosmer - Fine Arts, Caitlyn Strong - English, and Amanda Hosmer - World Languages.

Letter to the Patrons of Cheney Public Schools

The Cheney School Board would like to express our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to all the voters of Cheney Public Schools for the passage of the recent bond proposal to expand and renovate school facilities and improve security.

These are big decisions and we very much appreciate our voters looking at the current facilities, seeing the need for action, and voting their support. This is truly a great community.

Projects funded by this bond will provide space to accommodate growth by adding classrooms at Betz, Sunset and Windsor Elementary Schools which will serve students within their buildings, rather than in the current portables; while improvements at Cheney High School will meet expected enrollment growth to 1,600 students. Each of these elementary schools and the high school will also be equipped with secure entry systems. In addition, Salnave Elementary School will receive a secure entry, and the Three Springs High School portables will be relocated.

Thank you for the faith and confidence you showed by approving this bond proposal. In partnership with you, we will continue to work hard to fulfill our obligation to our children.

Sincerely,

Henry C. Browne, Jr.
School Board President

You are invited to visit Snowdon Elementary School on April 19

The School Board would like to invite you to join them for a visit of Snowdon Elementary School, 6323 S. Holly Rd., Cheney, on Wednesday, April 19, at 1:00 p.m.

We enjoy sharing a different school with our community three times a year. We are now looking forward to sharing our young Snowdon "Cougars" with you. Please contact Sharon Throop at 559-4502 or by email at sthroop@cheneysd.org to let her know if we can expect you. Our guests will meet in the school lobby. Principal Shawna Fraser will make a brief presentation in the library, and we will divide into groups to complete a "Learning Walk" as we visit classrooms.

Catheleen Schlotter is National School Social Worker of Year

Catheleen Schlotter has been selected as the National School Social Worker of the Year for 2017 by the School Social Worker Association of America (SSWAA). Cathleen was honored at the SSWAA national conference in San Diego on March 24th. Cathleen was also recognized as the WASSW School Social Worker of the Year in October 2016. The School Social Worker of the Year award is given to an individual who is recognized by their peers, colleagues, and supervisors as making outstanding contributions ranging from direct practice to state and national leadership.



Catheleen is Assistant Principal of Snowdon Elementary School and District Reengagement and Intervention Specialist. She is a former WASSW Board Member as well as an adjunct professor at Eastern Washington University. A colleague shared, "Catheleen strengthens partnerships, brings a whole child view to the table, and advocates for crucial wrap-around services for families. She is well respected among teachers, students, community members, families, and administrators."