

Community Connections

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

Important dates:

June 1

Three Springs Commencement, 5:00 p.m., Betz A Time to Honor, CHS, 6:00 p.m.

June 3

Cheney High School Commencement, EWU Pavilion, 7:00

June 8

School Board Work Session—CHS, 5:30

June 10 Last Day of School— Early Dismissal

June 22 School Board Mtg. CHS, 6:00 p.m.



June Character Trait INTEGRITY: Living a set of values which includes honesty, respect for others and a sense of personal responsibility Friends of Cheney Public Schools,

I remember my high school commencement ceremony. Do you remember yours? In my high school, we chose the person with whom we walked into the commencement, and we wore traditional academic dress which included a cap, gown, and honor cords. I tried to figure out how to keep the cap from falling off my head and learned that my friends had the same challenge. I fondly remember singing in the choir during the ceremony. But what I remember most was sharing this rite of passage surrounded by friends, family and faculty.

The tradition of the graduation ceremony continues for our students today. We are so very proud of our seniors who have worked hard to complete all of the requirements to earn a high school diploma. They are well prepared for their future endeavors. We all share in this moment of celebration as we, as a community, have contributed in big and small ways to the success of our students. As a member of our community, you have provided for a quality public school education that includes excellent staff, rich learning experiences, and activities and athletics that promote learning beyond the school day.

Our Three Springs High School Commencement will be held on Wednesday, June 1, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. at Betz Elementary School in the Viking Room. Our Cheney High School Commencement will be held on Friday, June 3, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the Eastern Washington University Pavilion (Reese Court). We look forward to hearing from our graduates about their experiences in our schools and their future plans. Please join us as we formally honor each graduate with the presentation of his/her diploma.

Their bright future is grounded in a solid foundation of academic success. Many of our students will be headed to a post-secondary experience at one of our local schools such as the Community Colleges of Spokane or Eastern Washington University; several students will be headed to another State school or private school. The transition to college can be a scary one, with many steps to be completed along the way. Please know that our excellent staff at Cheney High School has assisted students with the completion of the requirements for college admission. Students have visited college campuses, completed the FAFSA forms on-line, and participated in other College Now events. We also have a number of graduates entering one of our military branches or going directly into the work force. In each case, we know that the future is bright for our Cheney Public Schools graduates.

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Debra J. Clemens, Ph.D. Superintendent

Our essential foundations

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

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Senior athletes say goodbye

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Many Cheney High School athletes have already signed their letters of intent to attend colleges where they will continue to play in their chosen sport while pursuing their academic goals.



Musicians win scholarships

December Wilks will have a full ride to Columbia for her expertise on the French Horn, and Claire Arensmeyer was awarded a scholarship to Western based on her mastery of the Oboe.

Three Springs valedictorian

Valedictorian Makenzie Kirstein is not only graduating from Three Springs High School. She is on her way to her cosmetology certification.







CHS valedictorians

Abigail Little, Shogo Starr, Ryan Axtell, Shayla Payne, Hannah Simonsen and Leah Swannack (not pictured) are ready for their next adventure.

CHS students excelled all year long

Our students participated in competitions throughout the year, and did extremely well. For example, the Cheney FBLA Club (Future Business Leaders of America) had an amazing showing at the Washington State Business Leadership Conference in April, with 21 different students placing top 5 in state 29 times, and earning automatic entry to the FBLA National Conference in Georgia this summer.

At the State Solo and Ensemble music competition held in Ellensburg, soloists and ensembles competed against each other, regardless of the school size classification. Out of the 22 different regions, Cheney High School's Percussion I received 2nd place overall.

The Cheney High School Marching Band swept their Division at the first competition held in the fall. Then they did it again in Yakima, placing 1st in their Division and also winning Best General Effect and Best Color Guard!

Artists from CHS received awards in the Regional High School Art Show competition. Maggie Booth, Anna Payne, Alsatta Bakana, Avienda Chapman and Jordan Scholten were all honored.

Our talented Cheney High School drama students entertained us through several amazing productions this year. The talent they possess was evident in each one.

We continued to be amazed by our CHS Students of the Month, as well as our Spokane Scholars. Their accomplishments were made possible by their hard work and dedication.