



Community Connections

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

Important dates:

November 11
Veterans' Day—
No School

November 18
School Visit
at CMS, 1:00 p.m.
School Board
Meeting,
4:00 p.m.

November 19-24
11:30 Early
Dismissal
Conferences

November 25-27
Thanksgiving
Holiday—
No School



November
Character Trait
CITIZENSHIP:
Positively contrib-
uting to society and
community as well as
dutifully respecting
authority and the law

Friends of Cheney Public Schools,

This fall we invited our school communities to share their thoughts about concerns and positive things in our District. We then invited our school community to review and prioritize the thoughts of others by placing stars next to the ideas that were most important to them. Our goal was to get a sense of shared priorities from our schools and community.

The entire process was moderated by our partner, Thoughtexchange. We're excited to report that we had 897 individuals respond. Participants shared 1,557 thoughts and assigned 43,686 stars to their top priorities from across the District. We are still reviewing the wealth of information we received, and look forward to sharing the results back to you in the next few months.

Your feedback is vital to our success as a district as we plan for the future. If you were one of the many people who participated, we thank you for taking the time to contribute your thoughts and priorities. If you did not have time to participate in this round, please note that you will have another opportunity in the future.

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Debra J. Clemens, Ph.D.
Superintendent



*A message from your School Board President
Henry C. Browne, Jr.*

"One of our Essential Foundations is **Engagement with our School District Community**. We are so very pleased with the participation in the Thoughtexchange process this fall. Thank you for contributing your ideas; we look forward to reviewing the results of this process. As a Board, we are committed to actively representing the needs of the District's students, and assuring that parents and community members have the opportunity to provide input to the Board."

Our essential foundations

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

Cheney Middle School activities line: (509) 559-4488

Westwood Middle School activities line: (509) 559-4161

Cheney High School activities line: (509) 559-4120

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Join us!

*Honoring
Richard Mount
Wednesday,
November 18,
5:00 p.m.*

Cheney Middle School

November 2015

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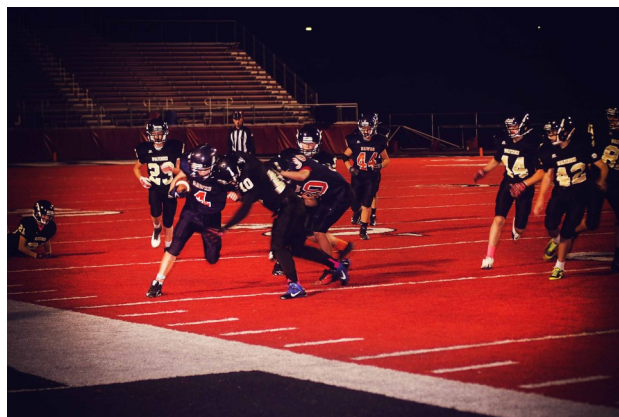


Honoring Richard Mount's service on the School Board

After serving the students of the Cheney Public Schools for 18 years, Mr. Richard Mount will leave the Board in December. He has always been passionate about seeking legislative support for school districts, and just one year after being seated was selected as the Board's Washington State School Directors Association Legislative Representative. Delegates

meet every September to adopt the Association's legislative agenda for the coming session. Mr. Mount served in this capacity for a total of 10 years, strongly advocating for the Board's legislative priorities in Olympia. In addition, Mr. Mount has provided leadership as School Board President or Vice-President no less than six times.

Mr. Mount will be honored at a reception to be held at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 18, in the Cheney Middle School Library. You are invited to attend this celebration. Please RSVP to Sharon Throop, stthroop@cheneysd.org or by phone at 559-4502. We look forward to this opportunity to thank Mr. Mount for his dedication to the District and its students.



Community partnerships are important

District students benefit from partnerships with entities and organizations throughout our area. We especially appreciate our strong partnership with Eastern Washington University. Just recently, both middle schools were able to participate in the annual "Friday Night Lights." Cheney Middle School and Westwood Middle School teams competed on the red turf of Roos Field. What a fun, spirited event for our students, staff and families!



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