



Community Connections

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

Important dates:

May 13

Employee Recognition
5:00 p.m.
Cheney M.S. Board Meeting
7:30 p.m.

May 25

No School — Memorial Day

May 27

School Visit — Windsor Elem.
1:00 p.m.
SIP Discussion
3:15 p.m.
Board Meeting
4:00 p.m.



May

Character Trait

COURAGE:

Displaying integrity in spite of obstacles and challenges

Friends of Cheney Public Schools,

The wildflowers are blooming. As I was driving from one school to the next yesterday, across country roads, I witnessed the most beautiful display of wildflowers. Bright yellow Eastern Washington balsamroots and purple Eastern Washington lupines are blooming beautifully under the towering Ponderosa pines. It is so important to take the time to witness the beauty that is all around us. In our schools the month of May brings us many opportunities to celebrate the children and staff that make our schools so vibrant each and every day.

Beginning this week, the West Plains Chamber will be honoring our PACE award winners. Each month we recognize children for exemplifying the character traits in our schools; yet, once a year our Chamber recognizes one child per school within the Cheney and Medical Lake School Districts. It is the season of celebration, and recognizing our youth is one of the most important activities we can do at this time of year. There are also scholarships that are awarded to our graduates from Cheney High School and Medical Lake High School.

There are many annual celebrations and recognitions that occur during this time of year. For our school employees, we host our annual Employee Recognition Night, co-sponsored by the District, the Cheney Education Association and the Public School Employees of Cheney. This year it is hosted by Cheney Middle School. It is an evening of celebration as we honor staff for their years of service, staff who receive special recognition awards, and our retirees. This year we will be honoring staff for hundreds of years of service to the children of our community as many long-time staff members retire and move on to the next chapter of their lives.

Please join us at your local school for this season of celebration. Children are performing in concerts, sharing their artwork, demonstrating their skills, and showing their livestock! Our calendar is full of opportunities for parents and community members to witness the accomplishments of our students and staff.

Don't miss it - for just as the wildflowers bloom but once a year, the season of celebration is now.

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Debra J. Clemens, Ph.D.
Superintendent

Season of celebration

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

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

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Be entertained by our students

In the coming weeks, students throughout the District will be sharing their talents during concerts held at each of our schools. Just a few examples of planned events are:

- May 11 CHS Choir Concert
- May 14 Sunset Kindergarten Music Concert
- May 14 Windsor 1st Grade Concert
- May 20 WMS Spring Pops Choir Concert
- May 21 Snowdon Kindergarten Concert
- May 26 CHS Music 'N' Motion Concert
- May 27 Salnave 4th & 5th Grade Concert
- May 28 Betz Kindergarten Concert
- May 28 CMS Show Choir Concert

The Cheney Middle School and Westwood Middle School bands will be participating in the Junior Lilac Parade on Saturday, May 9th, and you can watch the Cheney High School students on May 16th in the Spokane Lilac Festival Parade.

Check the calendar on the [District website](#) for all of the upcoming concerts.

CHS Music 'n' Motion gives back

Recently the Cheney High School Music 'n' Motion students gave back to their community by singing at Feed Cheney in the Wren Pierson Community Center, wearing the polo shirts the Concert Choir also uses for tour. We are extremely proud of these students - and not just because they are talented! Both groups recently traveled to the State Capitol to perform in the beautiful Capitol Rotunda.

