



Community Connections

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

Important dates:

August 20

Community Open House, 3:00-5:30
12414 S. Andrus Rd., Cheney

Guided Tours
at 3:00 p.m.
and 4:00 p.m.

Dedication and
Ribbon Cutting
Ceremony at
5:30 p.m.

School Board
Meeting,
Conference
Center,
6:00 p.m.



August

Character Trait

GRATITUDE:

Feeling and expressing thankful appreciation for benefits received

Friends of Cheney Public Schools,

It was worth the wait! More than seven years ago the Cheney Public Schools completed a process to be considered as an applicant for a property the Federal Government had declared surplus. The site was occupied in 1961 by the Washington Air National Guard; however, as a result of the base relocation and consolidation efforts, the site was vacated in September 2010. Through an extensive process, your Public School District was able to acquire the site for pennies on the dollar.

Today the Andrus Road campus provides several District support functions as well as our Parent Partnership Program | Home Works! which serves more than 70 students enrolled in grades K-8! The support services which are located at the site include Business Services, Human Resources, Maintenance and Operations, Nutrition Services, Teaching and Learning Support Services, and the Superintendent's Office. The site also provides a large Conference Center, as well as two smaller conference rooms in other buildings. The site is very large, with total building space of 60,873 sq. ft. There are two huge warehouses—one allows the District to store products for nutrition services and curriculum resources with cost savings we could not previously enjoy, and a second warehouse is used for furniture and materials storage. Another smaller storage building is being transformed to properly store our historical documents. Finally, the site has two buildings near the top of the campus providing further opportunities for expansion. One building is a classroom; the second building has yet to be transformed into a science station for students' use. This site, at 12414 S. Andrus Road, is centrally located to all of our schools.

We invite you to celebrate the dedication of this campus with us on August 20, 2014. We will host two guided tours of the site—one starting at 3:00 p.m., and a second one starting at 4:00 p.m. The formal dedication and ribbon cutting ceremony is scheduled at 5:30 p.m. in the Conference Center. Please join us to see the site first-hand! Although the buildings are incredibly functional, we have maintained the character of the 1950s military building style. Though they may lack the design features of newer construction, the view away from the buildings – across our district – is beautiful.

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

Debra J. Clemens, Ph.D.
Superintendent



**Building our
children's future**

Our essential foundations

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

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

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DEDICATION CEREMONY
5:30 p.m., August 20, 2014
12414 S. Andrus Rd., Cheney

August 2014

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Conference space

Throughout the school year, the District hosts trainings for groups of people from 30-100. It is wonderful to have a space large enough to host a training session without displacing students from their classrooms. The Conference Center at the Andrus Road site is one large space that can be quickly divided into two smaller spaces by expanding an accordion curtain. The Conference Center also has a large commercial kitchen available, if needed. Our technology department has equipped the site with high-speed wireless Internet access, computers, and projection systems, making it a state-of-the art facility for training purposes.



Maintenance and Operations

Our Maintenance and Operations department has several highly skilled trades positions that provide experienced service and guidance on extremely technical systems. For example, we have an electrician on staff, a plumber, a HVAC staff person, a fabricator, and individuals in several other important positions which allow us to complete work in-house, therefore saving money. We also have an experienced finish carpenter on staff. Mr. Gary Albrecht's new work space provides the necessary equipment and storage of materials that his previous location did not have. As you can see in the picture at the right, Gary is busy completing another project. He makes cabinets, shelves, and completes the finish carpentry throughout the district. All of our M&O tradespeople have completed amazing work at the Andrus Road Site as they have prepared each building for occupancy.

Nutrition Services

The new warehouse that was modernized for the nutrition services program is producing measurable savings for the procurement of food for our breakfast and lunch programs.

As a result of the installation of a large freezer, our nutrition services director, Brian Levy, is able to purchase larger quantities of frozen food, thereby receiving discounts



that we would not previously have been able to realize. In the past, our nutrition services department had to rent space to store the food that we needed on-hand for our kitchens. So, not only are we saving money through cost-effective ordering techniques, we are also saving money because we no longer have to rent storage space. With a warehouse located central to our schools, our nutrition services delivery person, Roy Penna, can quickly and efficiently supply our kitchens with the products necessary for producing delicious menu items.

