Cherokee County School District

Agenda Request Form

Meeting Date	Agenda Item Number
July 18, 2024	Recognition Item 3

Title

Character.org Promising Practices Awards

Requested Action

School Board Recognition of Indian Knoll ES, Liberty ES and Sixes ES as Character.org Promising Practices Awards Honorees

Summary Explanation and Background

Indian Knoll ES, Liberty ES and Sixes ES all have been honored with Promising Practices Awards by Character.org, a national nonprofit organization that promotes developing positive character among students. They are among only 155 schools honored nationwide and three of only five in Georgia.

Sixes ES earned two awards for its character education initiatives. One is for "Five Flights, One Mission, Reach for the STARS!" which incorporates the school's four STAR Matrix core values -- Safety, Teamwork, Attitude and Respect -- into school operations and activities encouraging positive character. The other is "A Community Circle of Stars," which encompasses the school's use of "restorative circle" classroom meetings to create community and promote the STAR Matrix core values.

Indian Knoll ES earned the honor for its "Caring Collaboration within the Community" service-learning project. Led by instructional lead strategist Lauren Abrams, the Positive Behavior and Interventions and Supports program project focused on supporting local senior citizens.

Liberty ES achieved the award for its "Liberty Elementary Thanksgiving Basket" service-learning project, led by parent Kristie Duncan in partnership with Liberty's Student Leadership team led by teacher Stacy Campbell. The project provided Thanksgiving meals to more than 100 Liberty students in need and their families.

Financial Impact

N/A

Exhibits: (List)

N/A

Source of Additional Information

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