Agenda Request Form

Meeting Date	Agenda Item Number
July 24, 2025	Recognition Item 4

Title

School Nutrition - Turnip the Beet Award

Requested Action

School Board Recognition of CCSD Office of Financial Management School Nutrition Program -- Turnip the Beet Award Recipient

Summary Explanation and Background

Cherokee County School District's School Nutrition Program has earned the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Gold-level Turnip the Beet Award for its program to feed students nutritious and delicious meals over summer break!

Congratulations to Tina Farmer, executive director for CCSD School Nutrition and procurement services; her leadership team of Toni Hedges, Trang Pham, Mark Johnson and Jessica Emmett; and all School Nutrition professionals whose unparalleled talent and unmatched dedication make this program a success.

The school district every summer participates in the USDA Seamless Summer Option program, which offers free breakfast and lunch to children, from infants to age 18, during the school break. Only 10 school districts from Georgia achieved this highest-level Gold award recognition, and fewer than 100 are honored nationally each year. CCSD has previously repeatedly earned the Silver level of this honor.

Financial Impact

N/A

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