Agenda Request Form

Meeting Date	Agenda Item Number
August 21, 2025	Recognition Item 4

Title

AFJROTC Outstanding Instructor Awards

Requested Action

School Board Recognition of AFJROTC Outstanding Instructor Awards

Summary Explanation and Background

Six Cherokee County School District Career Pathway teachers have earned top honors in their field, with one being named the region's best!

Air Force JROTC and Government and Public Administration instructors Senior Master Sgt. (Ret.) Jeffrey Bise and Technical Sgt. (Ret.) Jody Van Ostrand of Cherokee HS; Lt. Col. (Ret.) Stephen Bergey and Technical Sgt. (Ret.) Ciarra Malto of Etowah HS; and Chief Master Sgt. (Ret.) Rodney Deese of River Ridge HS all have earned 2025 Outstanding Instructor Awards from the U.S. Air Force. It's an honor achieved by only the top 30% of 2,000 Air Force and Space Force JROTC instructors worldwide!

Additionally, TSgt. Malto advanced in the recognition program to be named the Region 3 Sub-Region 1 winner for the Enlisted honors!

Financial Impact

N/A

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