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Warren County School Board Members Honored at TSBA Upper Cumberland Meeting

McMinnville, Tenn., September 3, 2025 - The Tennessee School Boards Association (TSBA) recognized Warren County Board of Education members for their achievements at the Upper Cumberland Fall District Meeting, held August 28th in Pickett County.

Honorees included:

- **Level I Boardmanship Award:** Matthew Brown, Jarvis Johnson
- **Level III Boardmanship Award:** Chris Cope, Tommy Culwell
- **Level IV Boardmanship Award:** Chris Cope, Tommy Culwell

Joining Brown, Johnson, Cope, and Culwell at the meeting were fellow Warren County school board members Larry Judkins and James Bennett, giving Warren County the distinction of being the only school board in the Upper Cumberland District with perfect attendance at the event.

The TSBA Boardmanship program is designed to recognize school board members for their participation in professional learning, training, and leadership activities beyond the local level. Levels I-IV are awarded at Fall District Meetings, while Level V - the highest honor - will be presented at the TSBA Annual Convention in November.

During the Upper Cumberland meeting, school board members and superintendents from across the region discussed issues such as school funding changes, teacher salaries, and athletics, and participated in a legislative survey to help guide advocacy efforts for the upcoming General Assembly.

"Warren County is fortunate to have a school board that is deeply committed to both learning and leadership," said Dr. Grant Swallows, Director of Schools. "Their continued participation in training and professional growth shows a dedication to making the best decisions possible for our students and community."

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