Cherokee County School District

Agenda Request Form

Meeting Date	Agenda Item Number
May 14, 2026	Recognition Item 4

Title

State, Regional Social Studies Fair Winners

Requested Action

School Board Recognition of State, Regional Social Studies Fair Winners

Summary Explanation and Background

Cherokee County School District students earned top honors at the State Social Studies Fair including best in show and a prestigious award!

Students in grades 5-12 can explore an area of social studies -- anthropology, economics, geography, history, political science, and sociology/psychology -- and complete a research project individually or as part of a team. Students who earn top district honors advance to regions, and region first-place winners advance to state.

Financial Impact

N/A

Exhibits: (List) — Enter URL below

List of Winners

Source of Additional Information — Open URL

Mary Elizabeth Davis, PhD	770.479.1871
Barbara Jacoby	770.479.1871
Josh Heath, Ed.D	770.479.1871

BEST IN CLASS AND AWARDS

Avy Arun, Grade 8, Woodstock MS, “Has the Introduction of Global Trade Made the USA too Interdependent on Other Countries?” Economics, teacher sponsor Jessica Schlegel – also earned Best Use of Technology Award

Madeline Flournoy, Evelyn Frady, and Myles Lavender, Grade 11, Cherokee High School, “Mobilizing Memory – The Role of Historical Narratives in World War II Propaganda,” History, teacher sponsor Michelle Blankenship – also earned the prestigious Ernest Lee Sr. Memorial Sociology/Social Psychology Award

BEST IN CLASS

Harper Franklin, Grade 5, Bascomb ES, “How Have Women Scientists Made Important Discoveries that Changed the World,” History, teacher sponsor Suzy Gebhardt

Josie Peck, Grade 8, Woodstock MS, “What Historical Themes did Artists Explore During the Renaissance Period?” History, teacher sponsor Jessica Schlegel

STATE FINALIST

Brady Meredith, Grade 5, Hasty ES Fine Arts Academy, “Does Taekwondo Build Mental Strength and Discipline?” Sociology/Social Psychology, teacher sponsor Cristin Bell