

# Agenda Request Form

## Cherokee County School District

<b>Meeting Date</b>
May 3, 2018

<b>Agenda Item Number</b>
A-7

<b>Title</b>
Recognition of National STEM Scholar -- Dean Rusk Middle School sixth-grade teacher Lindsey Mason
<b>Requested Action</b>
School Board Recognition of National STEM Scholar -- Dean Rusk Middle School sixth-grade teacher Lindsey Mason
<b>Summary Explanation and Background</b>
<p>Lindsey Mason has been selected as an elite National STEM Scholar from the National STEM Scholars Program. Only 10 middle school science educators in the nation are selected each year!</p> <p>The award includes: attendance at the National Science Teachers Association conference in St. Louis, a week of professional development at The Gatton Academy of Mathematics and Science and The Center for Gifted Studies at Western Kentucky University in June, up to \$2,500 for a Challenge Project with her students and a Chromebook. All expenses, including travel costs, materials, mentoring and Challenge Project supplies are covered by a grant from the National Stem Cell Foundation.</p> <p>During their professional development conference this summer, Scholars will engage in “hands-on, minds-on science activities; connect with speakers and thought leaders in STEM education; learn with skilled science educators; and develop a creative Challenge Project for classroom implementation,” according to the program. Mentoring will be provided throughout the year by Western Kentucky University faculty. The Scholars will share their success with colleagues while attending the National Science Teachers Association annual meeting in March 2019.</p>
<b>Major System Priority</b>
Attracting and Retaining the Best Teachers and Support Staff
<b>Financial Impact</b>
N/A
<b>Exhibits: (List)</b>
N/A

<b>Board Action</b>
<i>(For Official School Board Records Only)</i>

<b>Source of Additional Information</b>	
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Approved in Open Board Meeting on: \_\_\_\_\_ (Date)

By: \_\_\_\_\_ (School Board Chairman)