



**GOVERNING BOARD AGENDA ITEM
AMPHITHEATER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10**

DATE OF MEETING: **February 11, 2020**

TITLE: **Recognition of CyberPatriot**

BACKGROUND:

The CyberPatriot team of students from Amphitheater High School recently concluded an exceptional round of competition in the twelfth season of CyberPatriot – the Air Force Association’s National Youth Cyber Defense Competition.

Established by AFA in 2009, CyberPatriot is designed to educate and motivate students toward careers in cybersecurity and other science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) disciplines critical to our nation’s future.

CyberPatriot’s core program – the National Youth Cyber Defense Competition – challenges teams of students across the United States, Canada, and other schools abroad, to find and resolve cybersecurity vulnerabilities in simulated environments.

From 6,760 teams registered for the competition season, the CyberPatriot field is divided into three divisions – the Open Division for public, private, and home school teams; the All Service Division for JROTC, Civil Air Patrol, and Naval Sea Cadet Corps teams; and the Middle School Division for middle school-aged students.

Led by Coach **Dan Schneider**, the team of students from Amphitheater High School excelled in the CyberPatriot XII State Round held in December, demonstrating teamwork, critical thinking, and technical skills needed for a successful career in cybersecurity.

The team from Amphitheater High School earned 3rd place in the state in the Silver Tier. Team members are **Veronica Cardenas, Marycarmen Salazar, Nikolas Perez, Michelle Ramos Hernandez and Farah Alqaraghuli**.

RECOMMENDATION:

This is presented for the Board’s information and recognition.

INITIATED BY:

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Date: February 3, 2020

Todd A. Jaeger, J.D., Superintendent