



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

DATE OF MEETING: **February 9, 2016**

TITLE: **Recognition of Circle K Teacher of the Year Finalists**

BACKGROUND:

Two teachers from Amphitheater Public Schools have been named finalists for the Circle K Teacher of the Year award. The program is a collaboration between the Circle K Corporation and the University of Arizona Athletics Department to honor outstanding high school teachers in Southern Arizona.

The nine finalists are being honored during pre-game recognition ceremonies at Arizona men's basketball games. On March 4, all finalists will be honored at a banquet held at the University of Arizona's Hall of Champions where the Teacher of the Year will be announced.

The Teacher of the Year is selected from a panel of representatives from districts throughout Southern Arizona. The decision is based on a variety of judging criteria, including excellence in teaching preparation and experience, leadership ability, participation in co-curricular or extracurricular activities involving students, innovation or unique teaching practices, evidence of successful teaching, recognition by colleagues, and community involvement.

Tonight we recognize our Circle K Teacher of the Year finalists:

- **Ms. Julie Daniel**, cross-categorical Special Education teacher at Amphitheater High School
- **Dr. Carolyn Zeiher**, Biology and Biotechnology teacher at Canyon del Oro High School

RECOMMENDATION:

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

INITIATED BY:

Amy Sharpe, Director of Community Relations

Date: February 1, 2016

Patrick Nelson, Superintendent