



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

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**DATE OF MEETING: January 14, 2014**

**TITLE: Recognition of Harelson Elementary School – 2013 NCEA Higher Performing School**

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**BACKGROUND:**

We are proud to recognize Harelson Elementary School for its achievement as a 2013 NCEA Higher Performing School. The National Center for Educational Excellence identifies Higher Performing Schools based on a school's deep commitment to raising student achievement and putting more students on the path to college and career readiness – regardless of socio-economic barriers or any other obstacles that might otherwise impede success. The award is for 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Science.

These schools stand out as shining examples of what can be achieved when staff, students and parents work together toward a unified goal of better preparing students for life after high school.

In measuring student improvement and achievement in science, Harelson is indeed, a very bright star. Principal Andy Heinemann, and the three 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Teachers – Ann Caputo, Becky Cozart, and Diana Sewell are here to accept tonight's recognition.

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

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

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**INITIATED BY:**

*Mindy Blake*

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Mindy Blake, Director of Community Relations

Date: January 6, 2014

*Patrick Nelson*

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Patrick Nelson, Superintendent