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Ms. Tami Skillingstad, Assistant Principal at Westwood Middle School in Cheney PS, Named 2018 Assistant Principal of the Year

At Westwood Middle School, issues are solved with creative and innovative solutions

OLYMPIA -- Westwood Middle School Assistant Principal Tami Skillingstad (Cheney PS) was named this year's Washington State Assistant Principal of the Year by a panel of principals representing the Association of Washington Middle Level Principals, a component of the Association of Washington School Principals (AWSP).

Ms. Skillingstad has been at Westwood Middle in Cheney PS for five years as assistant principal and athletic director. She has a passion for building leaders and involving them in relevant activities that support school improvement goals. Her colleagues describe her as creative and innovative in designing solutions for middle school issues, such as the development of public service announcements about the importance of attendance that go out over the School Messenger System.

"Students are truly her first priority," said Erica Burden, principal of Westwood Middle. "She loves building student leaders - building leadership in everyone. She's also very innovative. Tami comes up with approaches and solutions that most people wouldn't think of. She is also a true friend."

Tami Skillingstad will be honored for her accomplishments at the June 2018 AWSP/WASA Summer Conference in Spokane, and recognized nationally at the 2018 National Principals Conference (put on by NASSP) with other state Assistant Principals of the Year. See a list of past state winners and learn more about the award at www.awsp.org/APOY.



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