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## **BOARD AGENDA ITEM**

**ITEM NO:** 1.4

**BOARD MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, August 13, 2019

**OPENING ITEM:** Outstanding Achievements

**SUBMITTED BY:** Margie Jones, Administrative Assistant

**PRESENTED BY:** Mary Kamerzell, Superintendent

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I am pleased to highlight the following CFSD student and staff achievements:

### Chess

Rising CFHS sophomore and varsity chess team member, Jonathan Martinez, served as the Chief Tournament Director of the Southern Arizona Chess Association Ye Olde Pueblo Open from July 19-21. The event had 127 players, 4 sections, and a 2-day scholastic side competition. According to Jonathan, "It (chess) breaks down barriers, like language. It doesn't matter what race you are, what religion. None of that matters when you are playing chess."

### Financial Reporting

The Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting was awarded to CFSD for the comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR) for fiscal year 2018 by the Government Finance Officers Association of the U.S. and Canada. Our congratulations to Director of Finance Lisa Taetle and her team!

### CFSD Among 2020 Best School Districts in America

For the fifth consecutive year, Niche has ranked CFSD as the best school district in Arizona. Our overall niche grade was A+. For public K-8 schools, Niche grades academics, teachers, and diversity. For public high schools, Niche grades academics, teachers, diversity, college prep, clubs & activities, health & safety, administration, sports, food, and resources & facilities.

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**Recommended Motion: Information Item**