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Instruction, Community and Teamwork.**

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My name is Tammy L. Solomon-Gray, Principal of Cheviot Elementary School and proud graduate of the Parent Leadership Institute! When I was approached by Marcia Futel at a CPS District committee meeting, to apply and bring a couple of parent applicants along for a great experience, I was cautiously optimistic.

As an Assistant Principal in a good school, that had no parent organization, and many untapped opportunities for greatness, I jumped at the opportunity and took two wonderful parents, Rosemary Foster and Christy Long, along with me. The outcome has been spectacular! My Cheviot Parent Leaders have been showing up and out, and so have I. My first order of business, after being promoted to Principal was to clear out space in the building for our first PARENTS CENTER!!! Before that, our great parents were relegated to three benches in the front foyer of the school.

A member of our LSDMC volunteered to solicit donations for accents to the parents center from the Cheviot-Westwood Civic Association. Christy and Rosemary have graciously volunteered to replace and maintain the Parent Information bulletin board (which looks great) as well as building relationships with our school secretaries, who are assisting them with interested parent sign up. They were both visible and engaging at our school's Meet and Greet for all Cheviot School students and families, which boasted over 250 families! Christy was a great tour guide and beamed with pride as she showed parents the ALL NEW Parents Center, just for them!

The event, which took place on our front lawn, was featured in Superintendent Ronan's Newsletter, complete with photos! Up next, is our school's One Plan, which parents will be invited to participate in revamping. For myself and my school community, PLI has been a transformational experience, that has all parties reaching for higher ground through collaboration with all parties in the educational process at Cheviot Elementary School. Stay tuned...the best is yet to come!

Best regards,

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