Cherokee Elementary named A-plus School of Excellence

Cherokee Elementary School has the distinction of being named a 2013 A-plus School of Excellence by the Arizona Educational Foundation.

A-plus schools are evaluated through an extensive application and rigorous site visit by the AEF A-plus review panel consisting of teachers, administrators, community volunteers and business leaders.

Preparation of each school’s application involves its administration, faculty, parent/teacher association, students and surrounding community.

The A-plus School Recognition Program is designed to identify and recognize schools that exemplify excellence in student focus and support, active teaching and learning, curriculum, community/parent involvement, leadership and assessment data.

A-plus schools receive $500 and a banner designating it as an A-plus School of Excellence.

All staff and faculty at the award-winning schools will be eligible for partial scholarships from Argosy University Phoenix. Schools retain their A+ designation for a three-year period after which they may reapply.

This is the first time that Cherokee has applied and is being honored with this award. “Cherokee Elementary has always been a school worthy of the A-plus award of excellence. Now it’s official!” said Principal Walt Chantler.