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Cherokee County Manager, Randy Wiggins, believes that the key to success lies in your ability to guide with an open mind, to be personable with anyone who walks in your door and to have a love of public service. It is crucial to remember that you are a representation of your whole community and you have to be able to relate to anyone who walks in your door. With these characteristics and a working knowledge of your field you are sure to succeed. Mr. Wiggins is an prime example of this because he never imagined himself working in county government but here he has excel.

If a pupil was interested in county government Randy Wiggins suggests a Masters degree in Public Administration and a true understanding of business management and governmental finance. Although these steps are not essential to gaining to winning an election they will give you a true understanding of the position you are running for and a leg up with competitors. From organizing the budget for the school system to making sure properties are properly taxed our county employees have a busy schedule. Not only do the County Commissioners creates policy but they act as mediators, by creating order in an otherwise chaotic environment. In larger areas the staff may be more vast, having specialized areas that focus on a single task all year but the same jobs get done.

Randy Wiggins is not alone in this task either, he is asking that communities get involved. You could do this by talking to your County Commissioners and County Manager, attending a County Commissioners meeting and by reading the Newspaper. These are all suggestions that are open to the public.