

ORANGE COUNTY  
BOARD OF EDUCATION

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

Meeting Date: May 2, 2011

AGENDA ITEM No. 11-05-08

ACTION ITEM: (Y/N) Y

SUBJECT: Request for Matching Funds

INFO. CONTACT Patrick Rhodes PHONE: 919-732-8126

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Matching Funds-Parent Teacher Organization/Booster Groups Policy #8430.
2. Request from Efland-Cheeks School.

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**PURPOSE:** To secure approval from the Board of Education for a \$1,000.00 matching funds request for Efland-Cheeks Elementary School.

**BACKGROUND:** To encourage the participation and efforts of organized booster and parent-teacher groups in support of the schools, the Orange County Board of Education has established and operates a matching funds program. Each fiscal year, one group per school may request a one-time matching grant of up to \$1,000.00 on a dollar-for-dollar basis to match an amount of money generated by the group for the benefit of the school. To qualify for matching funds, the applicant group must agree to spend the total amount (both matching grant and collected funds) on a project that benefits a large school group and has a lasting value to the students.

Following Board approval, in order for matching funds to be disbursed, school principals submit a Request for Reimbursement Form, with required documentation of expenditures, to the Director of Finance for processing.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:** \$1,000.00.

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Superintendent recommends the Board of Education approve the request for matching funds for an appropriation of \$1,000.00 to Efland-Cheeks Elementary School.



**Efland Cheeks Elementary School**  
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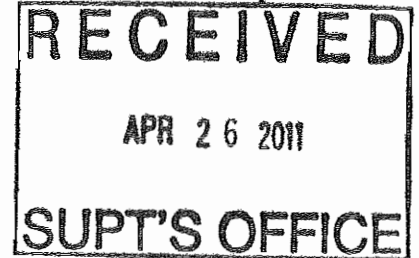


**Dr. Lisa Napp**  
Principal

**Cliff Cotton**  
Assistant Principal

April 27, 2011

Mr. Tony McKnight, Chair, Orange County Board of Education  
Superintendent Rhodes, Orange County Schools



Dear Mr. McKnight and Superintendent Rhodes:

On behalf of the Efland-Cheeks Elementary School PTA, I respectfully request that our school be allocated \$1000.00 in matching funds toward funding our 2010-2011 Artist in Residency programs at Efland Cheeks Elementary School.

The PTA and the PTA Cultural Arts Committee facilitated by PTA President Stefanie McAdoo and Art/Dance teacher Victoria Frisch, organized parents to raise over \$8,000.00 during our fall fundraiser, Harvest Hoopla. The Efland-Cheeks PTA membership voted to allot a portion of our PTA budget to fund integrated Arts and Core curriculum residencies for 480 students in grades K-5. Stefanie and Victoria have the skills and passion to successfully facilitate multiple residencies to completion and deliver high quality arts education experiences rich in content and context.

This year the focus of the residencies is on North Carolina Children's Theater, North Carolina string band music, North Carolina pottery, and the art of Cong Tsong, a painter in the tradition of Chinese brush technique, the residencies have endless possibilities for integrated instruction informed by the NCSCS in the disciplines of science, math, literacy, and social studies. Efland-Cheeks students will have an opportunity to understand the power of and critical need for cooperative and cross generational learning experiences. The matching grant from the Board of Education will help fund the artist residencies and continue our efforts to contextualize learning experiences and activities for students at Efland-Cheeks Elementary School. The Artist in Residency programs contextualize learning through hands on experiential activities and help to strengthen student's background knowledge. The Artist in Residency programs will encourage children in our community to celebrate and appreciate their cultural roots as well as experience and understand our connection to cultures around the globe.

We are grateful for your generous approval of last year's matching funds dedicated to our agricultural garden and we and look forward to the dynamic learning experiences the 2010-2011 matching funds will present to our students.

Sincerely,

Dr. Lisa A. Napp  
Principal

## 2010-11 Efland-Cheeks Elementary Artist in Residency Program

Efland-Cheeks Elementary Schools PTA fully supports the Artist and Residency program for all ECE students. Ideally each classroom will work with a resident artist or performer in the intimate setting of their own classroom. Parents and staff work together to schedule and contract residency opportunities that:

- Positively enhance perceptions of different cultures
- Provide hands on work with Artists that impact student understanding of core subjects
- Building confidence in students self esteem as a global learners
- Develop student understanding and appreciation of the Arts

### Artists and performers:

- Whole School Performance Nov. 21: Rags to Riches Theater \$800.00
- 4th grade Lecture, Demo, Square Dance March 25th: Starlite String Band: \$200.00
- 1st grade field trip to Little Mermaid: \$53.00

### Residencies:

- 2nd grade: Cong Tsong May 2 -6: 4 X 540) \$2160.00
- Kindergarten: Braima Moiwa: May 9 - 12: \$1300.
- 4th: David Gould pottery at the wheel June ? \$250.00

Tentative:(1st, 3rd & 5<sup>th</sup> as we receive additional funding)

- Virginia Queen: 1250.
- Joy Acey: \$1000.
- Usha Rajagopalan: \$1000.

Other Arts Ed. Expenses paid for by the PTA:

- Third Grade Winter Program "
- Second Grade Spring Program "Wonderful World Tour"
- 5th grade chorus

*(Includes sheet music and CD's and misc. materials for costumes or props)*