

ORANGE COUNTY
BOARD OF EDUCATION

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

Meeting Date: January 14, 2013

AGENDA ITEM No. 13-01-08

ACTION ITEM: (Y/N) Y

SUBJECT: Request for Matching Funds

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

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Request for Matching Funds from Grady A. Brown Elementary School.
2. Matching Funds-Parent Teacher Organization/Booster Groups Policy #8430.

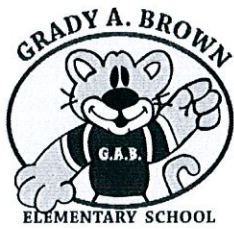
PURPOSE: To secure approval from the Board of Education for a \$1,000.00 matching funds request for Grady A. Brown Elementary School.

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 for Grady A. Brown Elementary School.



GRADY A. BROWN ELEMENTARY

Fay Jones, Principal

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SUPT'S OFFICE

1100 NEW GRADY BROWN SCHOOL ROAD
HILLSBOROUGH, NC 27278
PHONE: 919.732-6138
FAX: 919-644-2800

December 7, 2012

To Superintendent Rhodes,

This letter is to request the generous \$1,000 matching grant from the Orange County School Board. As you know, the mission of Grady Brown's PTA Board for the last few years has been to enhance our playground areas. With your support, the OCS School Board has revitalized and renovated our 3-5 playground area!! As a result, our PTA Board is focusing their efforts on our K-1 and 2nd grade play areas.

Therefore, I would like to request the \$1,000 matching grant to be utilized for two bulldozer spring riders for our K-1 playground area. This equipment came at the suggestion of our staff from a brainstorming session several years ago. We would like to nestle these two bulldozers onto the outer edges of our sandbox area. The bulldozers would look adorable as they would appear to be bulldozing our sand together. More importantly, they would be fun and interactive for the students to play on at recess.

These bulldozer spring riders could benefit a wider spectrum of people other than just our Pre-K to first grade students. Since we have a Community Schools After School Program that meets at GAB, more children could benefit from them.

Our PTA President, Mrs. Monschein, Mr. Frank Meadows, our playground and safety coordinator for the school system, and I met on December 8, 2012. He gave his approval of the bulldozer spring riders. The spring riders will hold up over time and will have a lasting value for our play area.

Therefore, I request you to petition the school board for a \$1,000.00 matching grant on our behalf. Through fundraisers, our PTA has secured the required one thousand dollars to meet the minimum requirement for a matching grant. We would appreciate the school board's consideration of our grant request. Thank you for your time.

Respectfully Submitted,

Fay Jones



GRADY A BROWN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

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Hillsborough, NC 27278
Phone: (919) 732-6138
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December 6, 2012

Fay Jones, Principal
Grady A Brown Elementary School
1100 New Grady Brown School Rd.
Hillsborough, NC 27278

Dear Ms. Jones,

Could you please submit a request to Superintendent Rhodes for a matching grant on our behalf? Last year the teachers were asked what playground improvements they would like to see. The Kindergarten and 1st grade teachers suggested the installation of two spring riders. The PTA has approved the use of the Health and Fitness budget line to purchase a spring rider for K-1 playground. We would like to ask for a matching grant from Orange County Schools system to purchase the second.

The PTA has \$1,070.68 in our general budget to meet the minimum requirement to match the grant. The health and fitness budget line is typically allocated each year to support either the school nurse, gym, playground equipment or the outdoor facilities. Our annual budget is supported by fundraisers such as the Read-A-Thon and Fall Festival.

We have selected a couple of C-Spring riders that look like bulldozers (manufactured by Little Tikes Commercial) from Peggs Recreation and Architectural Products, Inc. They are currently on sale until December 8th for \$1,324 (see attached quote and photo). With taxes and shipping the total for two riders comes to \$2,070.68. Therefore, I am requesting a check for \$1,000 to pay for one of the riders.

Thankfully there have been substantial improvements to the 3rd-5th grade playground and there are currently plans to improve the 2nd grade playground. It would be meaningful to the children and staff of the school to see those playground improvements shared evenly.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read 'Rachel Monschein', is written over a circular stamp. The signature is fluid and cursive.

Rachel Monschein

Grady Brown Elementary School PTA President





PO Box 917
Mooresville, NC 28115-0917
Phone: 704-933-0008 ~ Fax: 704-933-0011

QUOTE/CONFIRMATION OF SALE

DATE	QUOTE #
11/28/2012	3193

BILL TO	SHIP TO: **PLEASE ADVISE**
Grady Brown Elementary PTA Rachel Monschein 110 New Grady Brown School Rd. Hillsborough, NC 27278 P: 919-923-1779	

P.O. NUMBER	QUOTE EXPIRATION DATE	REP	PROJECT
	12/5/2012	Eric	Quote #3193 - Bulldozers w/ Install

QUANTITY	ITEM CODE	DESCRIPTION	PRICE EACH	Total
2	200200449	****ORDER WOULD NEED TO BE PLACED BY 12/8/12 and Shipped by 12/20/12		
	Discount	Bulldozer - Yellow w/ C Spring, By Little Tikes Commercial	887.00	1,774.00T
	Freight	Discount	-450.00	-450.00
		Freight for Little Tikes Commercial Product, Does Not Include Lift Gate, Off Loading Service or Call Before Delivery	200.00	200.00T
	Installation	Installation of 2 Bulldozers Only	440.00	440.00

Thank you for your interest. We look forward to working with you.

By signing this document you are agreeing to the Terms and Conditions attached, and authorizing this document to act as your purchase order.

**The customer is responsible for checking underground utilities. (NC - Call 800-632-4949) (SC Call 800-922-0983) The customer is responsible for a clear site with no rocks, stumps etc.

Please sign and fax back to (704)933-0011 for processing.

Per Our Terms, A 50% Deposit is Required To Place An Order. Upon Completion, The Balance Is Due Within 10 Days.

Amount Of Deposit: _____ Check # _____

Subtotal	\$1,964.00
Sales Tax (7.0%)	\$106.68
Total	\$2,070.68

Signature, Title & Date _____