

ORANGE COUNTY
BOARD OF EDUCATION

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

Meeting Date: March 10, 2014

AGENDA ITEM No. 14-03-09

ACTION ITEM: (Y/N) Y

SUBJECT: Request for Matching Funds

INFO. CONTACT: Dr. Gerri P. Martín, Superintendent PHONE: 919-732-8126

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Request For Matching Funds Board Policy #8430.
2. Efland-Cheeks Elementary Request.
3. New Hope Elementary Request.
4. Cameron Park Elementary Request.
5. Central Elementary Request.

PURPOSE: To secure approval from the Board of Education for a \$1,000.00 matching funds request for each requesting 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: \$4,000.00.

RECOMMENDATION: The Superintendent recommends the Board of Education approve the request for matching funds for an appropriation of \$1,000.00 for the following schools:

1. Efland-Cheeks Elementary Request – The ArtsCenter of Carrboro.
2. New Hope Elementary Request – Artist In Residence.
3. Cameron Park Elementary Request – Technology items.
4. Central Elementary Request – The ArtsCenter of Carrboro.

**MATCHING FUNDS-PARENT
TEACHER ORGANIZATION/
BOOSTER GROUPS**

Date Reviewed/Approved: 02/05/07

Policy Number: 8430

Rescinds Policy Number: LEBA, LEBA

Issued: 10/06/80, 2/03/1992, 04/19/2004

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Booster groups that represent more than one school are also eligible for this annual matching grant, provided the project benefits all schools represented by the multi-school booster group. Such groups shall submit matching grant requests directly to the superintendent for funds separated and apart from those made available to the individual schools. Matching funds for multi-school booster groups shall also be limited to \$1000 per year.

To qualify for matching funds, the applicant group must agree to spend the total amount (both matching grant and collect funds) on a project that benefits a wide school group population and has a lasting value to the students.

Each request must be submitted to the superintendent for his/her recommendation to the school board for its action prior to any expenditure. The request must include a list of the item(s) to be purchased, the total cost of the item or project, and a short description of the benefits to the schools. All requests for matching funds should be submitted as early in the school year as possible so that students can receive the full benefit of the project in the year funded. Requests will not be accepted after March 15 and projects must be completed in the same fiscal year unless you are granted administrative approval to exceed the standard completion date.

Legal Reference: G.S. 115C-36, 115C-47, 115C-276, 115C-288

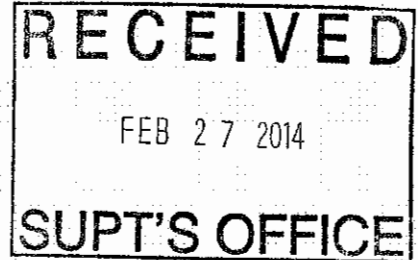


EFLAND-CHEEKS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

4401 Fuller Road • Efland, North Carolina 27243 • 919.563.5112

Ms. Crystal Scillitani, Principal • Mr. Craig Paul, Assistant Principal

February 24, 2014



Dear Dr. Martin:

The Efland-Cheeks PTA has partnered this year with The ArtsCenter of Carrboro to bring the Arts in Education Focus Program to our school. Through this program all pre-kindergarten through fifth grade students at ECE will be part of a curriculum-integrated residency and will have the opportunity to attend a show at a local theater.

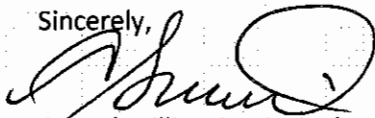
The ArtsCenter will implement 7 Arts-Based Learning Experience (ABLE) residencies affecting all 495 students in our school. An ABLE residency is a five-day residency designed to help prepare students to see a School Show at The ArtsCenter, while simultaneously teaching curriculum through the arts. All School Shows connect to the specific elements of the curriculum, and an ABLE residency allows students to study this related curriculum with professional teaching artists in the classroom. During residencies, students are given opportunities to look at ideas from different angles, and they often times grasp concepts they have not previously understood. This builds students' self confidence, allows them to analyze and understand their personal learning styles, and fosters academic growth. In addition, students who have limited opportunities to experience the arts are able to work closely with an artist and see a live show at a local theater, which offers them new avenues to explore creativity and diversity.

This creative programming has been funded by various grants awarded to The ArtsCenter to support bringing arts integration to all three Title I schools in Orange County. The PTA has been asked to dedicate a total of \$2,000 to support all 7 residencies and theater visits. Attached you will find a receipt showing payment to The ArtsCenter for the Arts in Education Focus Program.


We would like to ask that you present our request for \$1,000 in matching funds to the School Board for consideration. Through your support and that of our Board we will have successfully touched every child in our school with an amazing week long artist in residence program and an exciting visit to the theater to see a live show.


On behalf of our PTA Board, Teachers, and Students I thank you for your time and consideration.

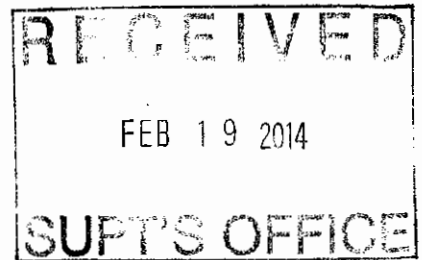
Sincerely,



Crystal Scillitani, Principal

RECEIPT		No.: 1	
Paid by: Efland Cheeks Elementary PTA 4401 Fuller Road Efland, NC 27243		Paid to:  The ArtsCenter <small>www.artscenterlive.org</small>	
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		PAYMENT TYPE	Check
		CHECK NUMBER	1359
		AMOUNT PAID	\$1,000.00
		BALANCE	\$0.00
Date: 11/13/2013	Received by: Crystal McKnight		

RECEIPT		No.: 1	
Paid by: Efland Cheeks Elementary PTA 4401 Fuller Road Efland, NC 27243		Paid to:  The ArtsCenter <small>www.artscenterlive.org</small>	
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Arts In Education Payment		AMOUNT DUE	\$1,000.00
		PAYMENT TYPE	Check
		CHECK NUMBER	1369
		AMOUNT PAID	\$1,000.00
		BALANCE	\$0.00
Date: 2/17/14	Received by: Crystal McKnight		



NEW HORIZONS
NEW HOPE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
1900 NEW HOPE CHURCH ROAD
CHAPEL HILL, NORTH CAROLINA 27514

Mr. Jeff Rachlin, Principal

Leslie Armistad, Assistant Principal

February 17, 2014

Ms. Donna Coffey, Chair, Orange County Board of Education
Dr. Gerri Martin, Superintendent, Orange County Schools
200 East King St
Hillsborough, NC

Dear Ms. Coffey and Dr. Martin:

On behalf of the New Hope Elementary PTSA, I respectfully request that our school be allocated \$1000.00 in matching funds toward the Artist in Residence grant being provided for at our school. This grant provides our students the opportunity to combine the arts and Common Core for the entire school. Each grade level is given an artist who coordinates with the grade level for content and then comes into the classroom for extended instruction in an art form related to what they are learning in class. The students are then given a field trip to see the lessons they are learning put into practice. Students love being a part of the program and my favorite component is the connections being made over time rather than providing a single event for the students. The concentration on integration and depth of content is outstanding and our students are greatly impacted by this grant.

The PTSA has agreed to help fund this grant in an effort to show support of the program and to help defer some of the costs. Attached is a copy of a quote for how the money will be spent, and I greatly appreciate your consideration on behalf of the students of New Hope Elementary.

Sincerely,

Jeff Rachlin
Principal

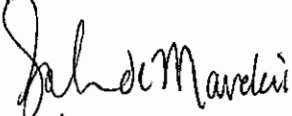
New Hope Elementary
1900 New Hope Church Rd
Chapel Hill, NC 27514

February 17, 2014

Dear Orange County School Board and Dr. Martin:

This year the students at New Hope are given the opportunity to participate in a wonderful grant opportunity with the Arts Center to provide an Artist in Residence program for each grade level. The purpose of the program is to blend arts into the curriculum and help students make connections with content through the application of the arts. Each grade level is given the opportunity to have an artist come in for a week of direct instruction from a local artist, which is followed by a field trip for our students to see the application of the art form they have learned. All of this comes free to the students including the field trip, through various contributions.

It is the goal of the program to have support from the parents, and it is the reason that we are requesting to be able to apply for the matching grant fund. We have been in complete support of the program and would like to donate \$2000 to help with the cost of field trips and artists. At New Hope we want to ensure that each child is given the best opportunity for a balanced learning environment and we are in full support of these residencies for our students. Thank you so much for considering this request.


Sincerely,

Sabina DeMarchi
New Hope Elementary
PTSA President



The ArtsCenter
Always Inspiring.

INVOICE
12/7/2013

300-G East Main Street
Carrboro, NC 27510
919-929-2787
www.artscenterlive.org

Description	Amount
Support for focus school program for the 2013-2014 school year at New Hope Elementary (7 residencies, 1 professional development workshop)	\$2,000
Total Due	\$2,000

Thank you for supporting The ArtsCenter!



Home of the Tigers!
 Dr. Julie Vandiver
 Principal

Cameron Park Elementary School
240 St. Mary's Road
Hillsborough, NC 27278
919-732-9326



Home of the Tigers!
 Fran Hall
 Assistant Principal

MEMORANDUM:

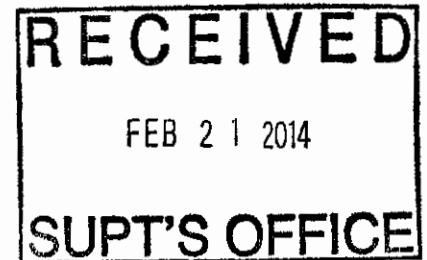
February 18, 2014

TO: Board of Education
 Orange County Schools

Dr. Gerri Martin
 Superintendent OCS

FROM: Dr. Julie Vandiver
 Principal

REFERENCE: Matching Funds Request



During the 2013-2014 school year, the Parent Teacher Governance Organization (PTGO) at Cameron Park conducted a fall fundraiser which was a school-wide Read-a-Thon. Most of the profits from the fundraiser will be used towards the purchase of various types of technology including (tablets, document cameras, headphones, software programs, online subscriptions, and Smart response clickers) to be used by all students in grades K-5. Attached you will find the receipt for the first items that have been ordered. The remaining items are pending approval by our PTGO board which will meet again March 13, 2014. We are requesting matching funds in the amount of \$1,000 from the Board of Education. The technology items we will be purchasing are compiled from wish lists created by all teachers and specialists. If you need additional information, please let me know. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Dr. Julie Vandiver
 Principal

CC: Rob Cardone
 President

Jessie Kelly
 Treasurer

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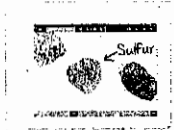
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PO #:

Ship to:
Josh Miller
240 St. Marys Road,
Hillsborough, NC 27278-0000
UNITED_STATES
(919) 732-9326

Order Date: Dec 6, 2013
Ship Date: Dec 9, 2013
Carrier: FEDEX
Shipping Service: GROUND
Buyer Name: Cameron Park Elementary

Quantity Ordered	Quantity Shipped	Product Details	Unit Price	Ex. Price
6	6	IPEVO Point 2 View (P2V) USB Document Camera Model Number: CDVU-031P	\$69.00	\$414.00



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Order Information

Web Reference Number: 11536
Date: 02/11/14 14:34
Status: Order Received
Shipping Method: FEDEX_GROUND®

Customer Information

Customer: MICHELE HUGHES
Email: michele.hughes@orange.k12.nc.us

Ship To

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 MICHELE HUGHES
 240 SAINT MARYS RD
 HILLSBOROUGH, NC 27278 US

Bill To

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 HILLSBOROUGH, NC 27278 US

Additional Information

Policy Agreement: I have read and agree to the [Shipping](#), [Return](#), and [Privacy](#) policies.

Product Information

Product Name	Item Number	Quantity	Item Price	Total Price
Follett 7100 Wireless Scanner	36910A	1	\$999.00	\$999.00
			Subtotal:	\$999.00
			Shipping & Handling:	\$9.29
			Tax:	\$75.63
			Order Total:	\$1,083.92

For the 1,000 dollar matching funds the PTA bought us 6 Ipevo document cameras and one wireless scanner for the library. We went with the Ipevo document camera for several reasons.

1. price-it is about 1/3 of the cost of other document cameras
2. reviews-several reviews, all from teachers, gave the Ipevo high marks
3. necessity-our older document cameras are dying due to age and we needed replacements

We bought the Follett 7100 wireless scanner to make Mrs. Hughes' tasks in the library more efficient and quicker. With the scanners she has now she has to carry a laptop around to do inventory. She also has to go back to the desk to check books out or in for students. With the wireless she is able to do both without having to return to her desk.



Central Elementary School

where "Engineering is Elementary"

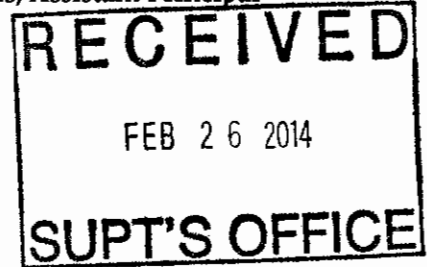
154 Hayes Street • Hillsborough, NC 27278

Phone (919)732-3622 Fax (919)732-2352

Myron D. Wilson, Principal

Jayne Bell-Williams, Assistant Principal

February 25, 2014



Dr. Martin:

The Central Elementary PTO has partnered this year with The ArtsCenter of Carrboro to bring the Arts in Education Focus Program to our school. Through this program all pre-kindergarten through fifth grade students at CES will be part of a curriculum-integrated residency and will have the opportunity to attend a show at a local theater.

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On behalf of our teachers, students, and PTO Executive Board, I thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Myron D. Wilson
Principal