

## **Fresh Fruit and Vegetables Program 2019-20 Summary**

Grant Overview: The United States Department of Agriculture Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP) provides students with a fresh fruit or vegetable snack at school during the school day to increase their consumption of healthy foods, exposure to a variety of fruits and vegetables and promote a healthier school environment.

Applicants must be approved sponsors of the National School Lunch Program. Elementary schools with the highest free/reduced meal eligibility rates whose application effectively demonstrates the ability to operate and administer the FFVP will be given priority. Only elementary-aged students, up to grade six in public schools and up to grade eight in private schools, are able to participate in the FFVP. Applications must include: (1) an implementation plan to administer the FFVP equally to all students during the school day outside of breakfast or lunch meal periods a minimum of three days per week; (2) the documented support of the food service director, principal, and district superintendent/chief administrator; and (3) a plan that integrates the FFVP with other efforts to reduce overweight/obesity and promote sound health and nutrition.

The WCSD proposes submitting applications to the Fresh Fruit and Vegetables Program for the following eligible schools: Sheffield Area Elementary School, Youngsville Elementary Middle School, and Warren Area Elementary Center.

Amount of Award: Between \$50-\$55 per student in each recipient school.

Due Date/Notification of Award: Due April 26, 2019. Notification by May 31, 2019.

Alternatives if not Awarded: None.

WCSD Resources Required: None.

Administrative Recommendation: The Board of School Directors instructs the administration to submit applications to the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program on behalf of Sheffield Area Elementary School, Youngsville Elementary Middle School, and Warren Area Elementary Center.