

## **2009-10 Highmark Healthy High 5 Challenge Grant Summary**

Grant Overview: The Highmark Healthy High 5 grant promotes lifelong, healthy behaviors in young people ages 6-18 to help them grow physically, mentally and emotionally in the communities served by the Highmark Foundation. Highmark Healthy High 5 provides support in five areas critical to children's overall health and well-being, including nutrition, physical activity, self-esteem, grieving and bullying.

The Youngsville Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) has been working with the administration at Youngsville Elementary/Middle School (YEMS) on a proposal to construct an outdoor basketball court on the YEMS property. The court would be used for recreation during recess periods and for instruction during periods of planned instruction.

The intent of the proposal is to provide a facility that will help promote interest in the sport, while also promoting interest in playing for school basketball teams, which have seen declining numbers. In addition to athletics, school personnel will use the facility to increase student fitness levels. Evaluation data for this aspect of the proposal will not include student-specific information.

The facility may also be made available for community use.

The PTO has pledged an additional \$1,000 if more equipment or supplies are needed for the project. It has also guaranteed payment if paving costs cause the project to go over budget.

Amount of Award: \$9,500.00.

Due Date/Notification of Award: Applications are due monthly. Notification is usually one month after submission.

Alternatives if not Awarded: The proposed court will not be built.

WCSD Resources Required: Buildings & Grounds will need to place the project on its construction schedule and coordinate the project.

Administrative Recommendation: The administration supports writing a grant to build an outdoor basketball court at Youngsville Elementary/Middle School.