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GAF: Grant Approval Form

RAE# _____

FOR GRANT APPLICATIONS \$2,000 OR MORE

Office Use Only

Date of Board Meeting:

Agenda Item No.

New Grant

Section 1: General Information:

Continuation

Grant Start/End Dates: 9/28/12 - 12/1/13 Application Deadline: 9/14/12 Grant Amt: \$4952.00

Funder's Grant Title: Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Community Garden Grant Your Grant Title: McIntosh Middle School Garden - Improvements and Community Outreach

e.g. Weller Teacher Mini-Grant, Building Blocks for Success, etc. e.g. Up, Up and Away: Exploring Our Heritage, Young Galileos, etc

Grant Writer: David Gwatney School/Dept. McIntosh 0141 Phone 361-6520 Ext 61276

Grant Contact Person* David Gwatney School/Dept McIntosh 0141 Phone 361-6520 Ext 61276

*This is the school/district-based person who is in charge of the grant.

Schools/Programs to be served by this grant	# of staff impacted	# of students impacted	# of parents impacted
McIntosh 0141 - Agriscience	1	350 per year	Up to 350 per year

Does this grant require matching funds? ___ Yes No If yes, what amount? _____ How will these funds be raised?

Grant Description

Please fill in all blanks.

Do not refer to attachments in your summaries,

Do not attach separate sheets.

Briefly summarize the overall purpose/objective of the grant and indicate how this grant will contribute to the needs and goals of your School Improvement Plan and/or District Plan. (Not grant activities)

For 12 years, I have been building an agriscience program and facility at my middle school to provide kids with fun, engaging, hands-on learning experiences that easily transfer to other parts of their lives, and also illustrate and reinforce connections with other academic subjects. The kids grow vegetables, from seed to plate... design landscapes and install them... and propagate many plants. In recent years, a renewed interest in school gardens has brought out many visitors (and tours) to our school garden, helping me realize the severe limitations of our current setup, despite consistent accolades from those who see it. The purpose of this project is to expand and enhance our existing school garden in such a way that community interaction and education is more visible and viable. The project's three distinct stages or zones (nursery, raised beds, and food forest) will each help meet this purpose. With a more efficient and productive school garden, my students, their parents, FFA members, visitors, and volunteers will more easily benefit from each other via increased food crop and container plant production, more plant sales, and donations of food or plants for other projects. (Text copied / pasted from grant applications as suggested by Amy Donner, Grant Program Specialist, Sarasota Schools)

Briefly list grant program activities (what is going to be done with the grant funds):

We will improve our plant container nursery by adding fill dirt, grading for better drainage, adding ground fabric to prevent weed growth, improving our existing simple shade structure with shade cloth, and improving the irrigation system. Next, we will build raised bed gardens with concrete block sides and imported organic matter fill. Last, we will plant a "food forest" consisting of fruit trees, fruiting vines, and edible perennials.

Please provide a brief explanation of pertinent budget items that will be funded through this grant. (Please indicate if funds will be used for new/old staff position, contracted services, travel, materials/supplies, equipment/furniture, facilities, and other applicable items.)

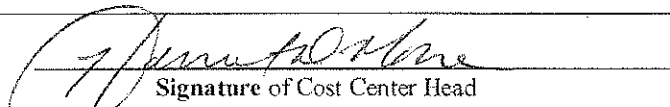
Nursery: Fill dirt, site work (grading the fill dirt), shade cloth, cable, poles, concrete mix, ground fabric, irrigation supplies, propagation and germination supplies Raised beds: Concrete blocks, compost, horse manure, assorted soil amendments, seeds, hay mulch. Food Forest: Fruit trees and other assorted plants, fencing materials.

How will grant activities be continued after the end of grant period?

Nursery, raised beds, and food forest will be used and managed indefinitely as part of our school's Agriscience facility.

Dr. Harriet Moore

Print Name of Cost Center Head


Signature of Cost Center Head

10/3/12
Date

Send this completed form and 1 copy of your grant to the Grants Office, Research, Assessment, and Evaluation-Landings

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Section Two: Summary for grants over \$2,000.

(These grants require School Board approval and must be placed on the School Board Agenda by Grants Office staff.)

Fiscal Management will be done by:

- District Finance Office
- School Internal Account
- Other (name): _____

Project number, if known: _____

- Entitlement/Flowthrough
- Competitive/Discretionary
- Continuation
- Other: _____

Fund Source:

- Federal: Indirect cost \$ _____
- CFDA # _____
- State
- Local Foundation
- Other: _____

Name of Primary Fund Source	Funder's Contact Name	Funder's Address	Phone Number	\$ Amount
Florida Dept. of Agriculture and Consumer Svcs.				\$4952.00



NOTE: If MAJOR TECHNOLOGY is part of this grant: (does not include cameras, DVD players, etc.)

Your school technology support personnel must review the physical capabilities of the area involved and agree that no additional wiring or electrical work, beyond what is provided through the grant, will be needed to complete the project. Please have your technology support staff member sign off on your project here.

Technology Support Staff



NOTE: If your project involves CONSTRUCTION or requires RETROFITTING space:

Please call Jody Dumas to discuss your project and receive approval to go forward with your proposal. He can be reached at 361-6311 ext. 68824. If approved, you will need to create a memo for his approval and signature, to be included with your GAF.

Thank you. Please call ext 927-9000 ext. 32172 with questions.

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Section Three: Signatures

Grants Office personnel will obtain applicable signatures in this section

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*DISTRICT DIRECTOR OF TECHNOLOGY INFORMATION SERVICES

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*DIRECTOR OF FACILITIES SERVICES

[Signature]

RESEARCH, ASSESSMENT & EVALUATION (RAE)

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DIRECTOR OF BUDGET

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*EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE, OR SECONDARY

Margie Bco

~~ASSOCIATE SUPERINTENDENT~~
Exec. Director, IIS

[Signature]

SUPERINTENDENT

*Signatures needed only if applicable.

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