

Polk County Head Start Supplemental Grant Request for Playgrounds

The Office of Head Start makes available to offer one time funding to programs for the purpose of completing projects that are not covered in the Head Start grant.

Polk County Schools is in need of a complete redo on the preschool playgrounds at Sunny View, Saluda, and Polk Central. The playgrounds were installed beginning in 2004 and have exceeded the life expectancy of a playground for young children.

The cost to do this project far exceeds the funds available to the program without seeking additional special funding. The program is requesting a waiver to the 20% Non-Federal Match as this is a project without funding available from the baseline grant.

Polk Central	\$221,618	
Saluda	\$109,865	TOTAL REQUEST \$460,348
Sunny View	\$128,865	

Polk Central

The playground's original design was an addition to the existing K-5 playground at Polk Central in 2004. Over the years we have tried to improve and upgrade but now the time has come to redo this playground and make it specifically designed for preschool children with safety and appropriate equipment in mind.

Budget Example

Demolition of the existing playground to include: Removal and disposal of old trike path, retaining wall, old equipment. Level and grade site, decreasing the existing slope and need for the existing retaining wall in the middle of the playground	\$19,750
Activity hill components or a play structure 2 bay swings Activity panels Musical instruments 2 picnic tables sandbox	\$30,650
20 x 20 4 post shade structure	\$15,700
Poured in place rubber, approximately 2,600 square feet	\$63,250
Artificial Turf, approximately 6,600 square feet	\$72,468
Installation	\$19,800
TOTAL	\$221,618

Saluda

The playground was built in 2004 and over the years the equipment has become in need of repair, the rubberized surfacing is in need of replacement, and continued drainage issues need to be addressed. The cement trike path is buckling due to roots from a large tree and now this has become a tripping hazard.

Budget Example

Demolition and disposal of: concrete slab (20 tons), maple tree and stump (to be replaced with Elm trees), playground equipment, shade structure, and sandbox	\$19,900
Activity hill with slides, climbing panel, shade	\$10,090
Activity panels, art station, traffic signs	\$6,530
sandbox	\$3,195
Sandbox shade 12 x 12	\$6,300
Chinese Elm trees (replace maple)	\$700
Poured in place rubberized surfacing	\$48,250
Delivery and installation	\$14,900
TOTAL	\$109,865

Sunny View

The playground at Sunny View was installed in 2004 and is in need of complete replacement. The structure needs to be replaced and the rubberized surfacing is in need of replacement. The concrete trike path is broken and cracked. Drainage is a problem at this site and this will be addressed in the replacement.

Budget Example

Demolition and disposal of the following: removal of concrete (20 tons), poured in place surfacing, and old equipment	\$11,900
Structure, activity panels, traffic signs, musical instruments	\$22,890
Sandbox	\$3,200
Poured in Place Surfacing	\$50,875
Artificial Turf for open fenced in area	\$23,900
Delivery and Installation	\$16,100
TOTAL	\$128,865