Memo

To: Dr. Kevin Collins

From: Grozelia Ward

Date: February 13, 2018

Subject: Mural Art Project at McKinley

I am requesting board approval for a mural project at McKinley. Ten students in either 4th or 5th grade will create a mural on the stairway wall on the backside of the cafeteria during an after school mural class that will reflect and celebrate the McKinley Community. Students will learn a brief history of mural painting and its purpose (why do a a large painting on a wall?). In addition, students will create artwork that will enhance McKinley's beauty and be seen by many people.

Below you will find the supply list and estimated price for McKinley Mural (8 feet high by 22 feet across).

- 1 gallon primer: $22.95
- 15 quarts of paint (assorted colors) at $8.00: $120.00
- 1 gallon exterior varnish (to protect finished mural): $32.00
- Trisodium phosphate to wash wall: $4.16
- 12 pack of 2 inch brushes: $18.00
- ½ inch brushes (5) at 2.00: $10.00
- 4 inch paint rollers (3) at 5.00: $15.00
- painting trays and liners: $20.00
- box of 100 nitrile gloves: $9.21
- 2 canvas drop cloths at $12.00: $24.00
- 10 pack of rags: $4.28
- 2 inch painters tape: $6.91
- 1 inch painter tape: $6.27

The subtotal is $292.78. Mr. Patusco will apply for a PBL grant from SLED. The remaining funding will come from McKinley's donation budget.

Thank you for considering to recommend McKinley's mural project for board approval. If you have any questions please let me know.

Attachments: McKinley Mural Proposal

Proposal for Mural Class at McKinley Elementary

Objective:

Students will create a mural on the stairway wall that will reflect and celebrate the McKinley Community. Before creating the mural, students will learn a brief history of mural painting and its purpose (why do a a large painting on a wall?). We will also discuss general techniques in the classroom, before setting out to paint. Due to time constraints, the theme and layout of the mural will be decided ahead of time with input from students, Mrs. Ward, and the instructor (Mr. Patusco). The class will be devoted to the execution of the painting.

Participants:

The class will be open to 10 fourth and fifth grade students who show an interest in art and who demonstrate the responsibility necessary to see a project through to completion.

Where:

The stairway wall on the back side of the cafeteria. This location is ideal because of its visibility. It directly faces the playground, making it visible to students during recess and their families in the morning, on their way to school. There is also minimal cracking on this portion of the building, adding to the longevity of the mural.

Who:

10 fourth and fifth graders who show an interest in art and the responsibility needed to see a project to completion. The class will be instructed by Mr. Patusco, who will also oversee the painting of the mural.

Description:

The mural will be roughly 8 feet by 22 feet. It will depict students of various backgrounds and their families. The goal of the mural will be to celebrate the racial and cultural diversity of the McKinley community. The backdrop for the students will be a simple pattern of bright colors. There will be a title written across the top reading: "Our differences are our strength." Mrs. Ward and I will work to fine-tune the final sketch before the mural is begun.

Time Frame:

8 consecutive weeks, scheduled in the months of March through May. The day of the week to be decided. Class will be two and half hours after school each session: 3:00-5:30.

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