Leander Independent School District

Facility Improvement Request

Deadlines
Requests submitted by March 31 (Response by April 30)
Requests submitted by October 31 (Response by November 30)

Date Request Received: 2/11/13   Campus: II4   Phone: 512-6411

Source of Funding: HSB Grant

Summary of Request: Plant Student Garden

Principal’s Approval: Yes ☑ No ___ Signature: _______________

Comments:

LISD Central Office Athletic Director’s Signature: ________________________________

Capital Improvements Approval: Yes ___ No ___ Signature: ______________________

Comments: ______

Superintendent’s Approval: Yes ___ No ___

Comments: ______

Superintendent’s Approval (if required)

Date Decision Communicated with Principal: __________

Comments: ______

Copy Sent to Plant Services for Coordination: ______

Safety for Coordination: ______

Technology for Coordination: ______

Coordination with Irrigation System: ______

Special Projects Coordinator: ______

Permits Required:

Building: ______

Plumbing: ______

Electrical: ______

Foundation: ______

Purchase Order Requested: ______

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March 20, 2013

Facilities Improvement Committee:

On behalf of the faculty and students of Pleasant Hill Elementary, we would like to submit a facilities improvement request for the construction of two raised garden beds in the southern courtyard on the grounds of Pleasant Hill Elementary School. We are proposing to construct two beds with each bed measuring 16’ by 4’. Each garden bed will be 15’ in from the sidewalk that runs along the perimeter of the courtyard.

The exterior walls of the garden beds will be constructed of cinder blocks. We will use the water source already in the southern courtyard to water the gardens. We will tap into the PVC pipes in the southern courtyard and run pipe to each garden. Pop-up sprinkler heads will water both gardens on the same watering schedule currently in place for the trees in the courtyard. By doing so, we would be sure to adhere to all mandated water restrictions put in place by the City of Leander. The 20’ wide area between the two beds will be a learning space with picnic tables. The materials will be purchased with H-E-B Fit Campus Award funds. The labor for the project will be donated by faculty members, volunteers and parents of Pleasant Hill Elementary students.

The garden will provide us with an opportunity to teach students through hands-on, experiential learning in the following areas: science, math, health and nutrition. Students will also make a connection between human impact and the natural environment. We believe the garden will increase student engagement in lessons and build school pride. Classes, kindergarten through fifth grade, will have opportunities to care for, observe and harvest in the garden.

Attached you will find our Facilities Improvement Request, a map of the proposed gardens, and a spreadsheet of materials required for construction of the two garden beds.

Thank you for considering our request. We look forward to hearing from your committee and beginning construction of the garden beds in early May.

Sincerely,

Mark Koller
Principal

Elizabeth Ayers
PE/Health Teacher
## Materials for Pleasant Hill Garden Project
(Materials needed for 2 raised garden beds)

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