

**McCRACKEN COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

Staff Notes

**ITEM:** Approval of the Submission of *Ronald McDonald House Charities* Grant Application.

**APPLICABLE BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY, ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION OR STATUTE:**

KRS 160.290

**ISSUE:**

To approve the Submission of *Ronald McDonald House Charities* grant application for Reidland Middle School.

**BACKGROUND:**

In January 2011, Reidland Middle School requested approval to submit a grant application to the Lowes Toolbox for Education grant competition to construct a outdoor classroom and courtyard outside the school building between the 6<sup>th</sup> grade wing and the gymnasium. The board approved the application, RMS submitted the grant, and it was awarded. Construction has commenced. However, due to the popularity of the courtyard idea amongst students and faculty, Reidland Middle School would like to expand the project to include other areas of the school.

Therefore, Reidland Middle School requests permission to apply to *Ronald McDonald House Charities* for \$8925 to request funding to expand and include additional areas of the school in the beatification project originally began with Lowes Toolbox for Education funding. Additional areas will include the front door area, the school bus drop off area, and possibly additional areas. Funding will pay for picnic tables and umbrellas, benches, planters, landscaping, plants, waste receptacles, and possibly a bird bath, fountain, or coy pond.

*Ronald McDonald House Charities* works directly with non-profit organizations around the world that are making an immediate, positive impact on children who need it most. There is no match required for the purposes of this program.

**ALTERNATIVE ACTION:**

1. To approve the submission of the *Ronald McDonald House Charities* grant application.
2. To disapprove the submission of the *Ronald McDonald House Charities* grant application.
3. To take no action.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

The Superintendent recommends approving the submission of the *Ronald McDonald House Charities* grant application.

**CONTACT PERSON:**

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Superintendent

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Date