



# NORTH VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

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OSAA Foundation  
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Dear OSAA Foundation Staff,

Thank you for the opportunity to apply for the OSAA School Participation Grant for 2014-15. When our new athletic director took on his new role late in November, he called together all of our coaches in every program to introduce himself and to hear what was the best thing about coaching at our school and what were the greatest challenges to the success of their programs. Overwhelmingly, the primary challenging obstacle to our programs is the lack of numbers of active student participants. Our entire coaching staff has taken on the goal of greatly increasing the number of students who are actively participating in co-curricular opportunities in each of the three seasons of sport while they improve their academic performances in all of their classes. To that end we are applying to the OSAA Foundation to help us to make our dream of 75% of our students active in our sports, clubs, activities and community service into reality.

We are going to institute a Knight Transition Program that will feature the following components:

Beginning the fourth quarter of this year, we will develop a Big Sister/Big Brother program to connect active NVHS juniors and seniors more closely to the 8th grade students at Fleming MS, our feeder school. One of our Health/PE teachers will be taking a group of athletes to Fleming for the last period of their day to build a more comprehensive sports participation program at their school. Other student leaders will become tutors in math and writing.

In the summer of 2015, we are going to partner with College Dreams to provide a summer fitness program and academic boot camp for 4 weeks (80 hours) of fitness and nutrition, competitive and collaborative games, reading and writing support, inspirational character building activities, and a bonded identity with the athletic and activity programs at North Valley. Our target audience is at risk 7th and 8th grade students. We

are also inviting students in the 9th and 10th grade who could perform better in school. Our primary goal is to add 100-150 active students to our sports teams and activities in the first year (2015-16) and have up 350 of our 540 students participating in the 2016-17 school year. Our goal for participation is three activities for each student each year.

Throughout all of the next school year, we are going to conduct a school-wide Decathlon (one event per month) that allows kids to compete as classes and also to collaborate with all classes. We plan to honor the top 25 kids in each class who fully participate in the decathlon and earn at least a 3.25 GPA. We are working on a reward trip for the best of the best participants. We will hold a Breakfast of Champions to have a school reward assembly to celebrate our scholastic and athletic/activity success.

This year we have built our character development program around five key traits: Character, Commitment, Competitiveness, Courage and Compassion. We hope to imbue these traits in all of our students and we are asking our teams and school leaders to demonstrate what we hope to see development in all of our kids. We include our Life Skills and Special Ed students. This will enable us to articulate better our goals for developing solid citizens who support their families and teams.

We have a North Valley Athletic Committee that is defunct as of right now. The function of this committee has been to help maintain and rejuvenate our facilities. We are using the renovation of our gymnasium as one of the enhancements to encourage more parent and business community participation. We feel that installing the new backboards will be a good starting point to help renovate and update our gym so that we can better showcase our school as a past defending state 4A boys basketball and girls track champions. The new banners are hanging but the old backboards are an eyesore.

Budget:

Jump Ropes - 240 @ 24.95 for a set of 6	\$ 998.00
Glass Backboards for our main gym 4 @ \$1,349.00 each	\$5,396.00
Expenses for summer program	\$1,500.00
Spring of 2015 reward for 100 kids who participate fully	\$2,000.00

On behalf of the students and athletes at North Valley, I appreciate your thoughtful consideration of our application for the participation grant. I have full confidence that we can be careful stewards of any funds you are able to award to us.

Sincerely,

  
Dennis Misner, Principal