

Minidoka County School District

## Matching Grant Clarification

### September 18, 2017

There have been some questions arise concerning the Matching Fund Program that the Board has approved. The following guidelines are from the Grant Application. I have added some additional clarifying comments in italics.

The following guidelines must be followed in order to qualify for consideration:

1. All purposes for use of the funds must be able to qualify as Capital Outlay expenditures, indicating that equipment must have a **value of at least \$500.00.**

*These funds should be for major purchases NOT to get additional items that would normally be purchased through fundraising efforts. A remodel project on a school facility may be approved if there are sufficient funds.*

2. Supply items, or items that would be expendable, do not qualify.

*This means that uniforms, sports equipment, sports supplies, etc. do NOT qualify.*

3. Consideration will be given to applications for any specific amount, but priority is given to those situations exhibiting the greatest need for the least amount of money.

*A group will meet to review and approve the applications received in mid-October with notification being sent to ALL applicants as to whether their project was approved or not by November 5, 2017*

4. Under no circumstances will the District match a project for more than fifty percent (50%) of the cost of the project.

5. There can be no matches with a school's discretionary funds.

*Student accounts or fundraising funds that have been held over for a specific project would apply.*

6. There can be no matches for projects started or ordered or in process prior to approval of match. If you choose to purchase an item prior to match approval you may or may not be reimbursed.

*You are on your own here if you choose to move forward before getting approval. You do NOT need to have the money in hand when submitting the application. You can put in an estimated amount to be fundraised.*

*For example: If you estimate raising \$5,000 but are only able to raise \$4,500 then the District will match the \$4,500, but no more, even though they agreed to a \$5,000.*

7. If not enough proposals are submitted, the District will consider reopening the application process for a second round of proposals.