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Board of Education

TO: Board of Education
FROM: Julie Odom, Assistant Director of Athletics and Activities
DATE: February 2026
RE: D33 Foundation for Excellence, Grant Funds

This memo is:

- Information only
- Information with a recommendation and a request for Board approval by vote.

Date by which a Board decision is needed: 03/19/2026

Previous memos on this topic can be found:

- in previous Board packet(s) dated.
- or attached to this memo

Basic Information:
<p>This memo requests approval to receive Foundation Grant funds/gifts to purchase GagaBall pits for the elementary schools that do not have one yet.</p> <p>Currier Gary Indian Knoll Turner</p>
Background/Historical Context:
<p>The Education Foundation has dissolved, however, there are grant funds available for use.</p> <p>We propose using the funds to allow the remaining schools - Currier, Gary, Indian Knoll and Turner - to have a portable Gagaball pit as Wegner already does. D33 is working hard to offer more engaging athletic opportunities. This equipment will be used schoolwide and serves multiple purposes. It functions as an organizational unit for the gym and will be used during Physical Education classes, recess, field day, clubs, brain breaks, behavior incentives, and schoolwide staff and student team-building events. The game is simple, engaging, and increasingly popular, making it accessible and enjoyable for all ages.</p>
Previous decisions, actions, or parameters that relate to this topic or issue:
n/a
Recommendations:
BOE approval to receive grant/gift funds to make these purchases.