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STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION ANNOUNCES GRANTS FOR COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTERS

Afterschool and summer programs will soon be available at four new sites in Omaha and Scottsbluff. Federal grant funds for 21st Century Community Learning Centers were awarded to support programs serving students attending schools with high needs. During non-school hours, these programs offer hands-on learning and activities to improve overall student success, increase student social benefits and positive behavioral changes, and increase active and meaningful family and community engagement.

At the April 6th Board Meeting, the State Board of Education approved grants for the following new programs:

- Collective for Youth’s program in Omaha at Florence Elementary School received a $136,875 federal grant.
- Collective for Youth’s program in Omaha at Burke High School received a $65,600 federal grant.
- Scottsbluff Public Schools’ program at Lincoln Heights Elementary School and Longfellow Elementary School received a $76,075 federal grant.

In addition, 13 quality programs at schools across the state will continue to receive federal grants for 21st Century Community Learning Center programs. These grants are available for five years. The programs and grants are:

- Central Plains Center for Services program in Broken Bow at North Park Elementary School received a $50,000 federal grant.
- Collective for Youth’s program in Omaha at Bancroft Elementary School and Gilder Elementary School received a $50,000 federal grant.
- Collective for Youth’s program in Omaha at Castelar Elementary School, Central Park Elementary School and Hartman Elementary School received a $110,700 federal grant.
- Collective for Youth’s program in Omaha at Druid Hill Elementary School and Skinner Magnet Center received a $88,225 federal grant.
- Collective for Youth’s program in Omaha at Mount View Elementary School received a $50,000 federal grant.
- Columbus Afterschool Program at Centennial Elementary School, Emerson Elementary School, Lost Creek Elementary School, North Park Elementary School, West Park Elementary School and Columbus Middle School received a $149,163 federal grant.
- Fremont Public Schools’ program at Linden Elementary School, Milliken Park Elementary School and Washington Elementary School received and $106,200 federal grant.
- Lexington Public Schools’ programs at Bryan Elementary School, Morton Elementary School, Pershing Elementary School and Sandoz Elementary School received a $105,000 federal grant.
• Lincoln Public Schools’ program at Everett Elementary School, Lakeview Elementary School and Mickle Middle School received a $103,530 federal grant.
• Madison Public Schools’ program at Madison Elementary School received a $50,000 federal grant.
• North Platte Public Schools’ program at Buffalo Elementary School, Jefferson Elementary School, Lincoln Elementary School and Washington Elementary School received a $105,250 federal grant.
• O’Neill Public Schools’ program at O’Neill Elementary School received a $50,030 federal grant.
• Scottsbluff Public Schools’ program at Westmoor Elementary School received a $50,000 federal grant.

Over the past 15 years, the Nebraska Department of Education has awarded federal grants for students at more than 130 different sites in over 30 Nebraska communities. The 21st Century Community Learning Centers program is funded under Title IV, Part B, of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, as amended.

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