

Creating Healthy Schools Grant Opportunity due October 15th

The Colorado Health Foundation Board approved a ten-year commitment to healthy schools efforts across Colorado. For more details, click here. This opportunity is designed to connect system and local level efforts to create a sustainable network that fosters health and wellness and provides a thriving environment for kids throughout Colorado. The Foundation has two available funding opportunities:

1. Local Planning & Assessment

Provides up to two-year grants to districts, groups of districts, groups of charter schools or local community partners to implement local planning, capacity-building and community collaboration processes.

What it will fund:

- Comprehensive physical activity (PA)
- Supportive nutrition environments
- Healthy food and beverages
- Cultures/climates in schools that support student/staff health and wellness
- Health education
- Student health services
- Student behavioral health needs

2. Local Implementation

Funds existing comprehensive school health and wellness plans through implementation of select activities. (Comprehensive School Health and Wellness Plan must be in place to apply.)

Grant Amounts:

100–250 students served, 50–100% FRL Planning & Assessment – up to \$80,000 Implementation – up to \$115,000 See exact amounts here.

Generation Schools Network (GSN) is offering to support your district in writing and submitting a grant to win Healthy Schools Funding! This provides the district with a supportive partner to guide the planning and the implementation.

Examples of services GSN can partner with you on through the grants:

- Advocacy a daily 30-minute advisory time with curriculum to address SEL topics, healthy eating, physical activity, sleep, healthy emotions, health education, and MORE.
- Active Bodies, Active Minds provide services and tools to integrate physical activity into the school day through brain breaks. Comes with teacher training and resources.
- Community Partnerships —developing partnerships with local and regional organizations to provide health education, physical health and behavioral health services, etc.
- School Culture assist schools in developing a school culture that is supportive of student and staff health and wellness, including assistance with healthy eating options at school and promoting nutrition at home.
- Incorporating these and/or other elements desired by the district into the creation and adoption of a Comprehensive School Health & Wellness Plan during the planning grant.



How does this fit with your UIP?

Many of the schools GSN has had the privilege of working with through the diagnostic review/unified improvement planning process have identified school culture as a priority. Developing a Comprehensive School Health & Wellness Plan can help you address this by providing support to integrate a school Advocacy program.

If you are interested in applying for this grant, please contact Leslie Tjajadi at LTjajadi@generationschools.org.