CRITERIA FOR PLAYGROUND DEVELOPMENT FUNDING REQUESTS

The purpose of the Playground Development Grant is to recognize the fundraising efforts of Burnaby parents, as well as improve the play experience at school playgrounds for the community at large, as a valuable way to participate in physical activity and connect with neighbours who use these assets.

CRITERIA:

1. The project is initiated and cost shared by a parent group and the Burnaby School Board. The parent group must have 50% of the project cost raised at the time of the request. The Playground Development Grant will provide matching funds up to a maximum of $4,000.

2. The facility will be accessible to the public and thus provide a public benefit beyond serving the schoolchildren during school hours.

3. The parent group may request a grant once every 4 years.

4. The remainder of the funding for the entire project needs to be either in place or very close to being finalized.

5. Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services staff will be allowed input into the design process.

6. The Burnaby School Board must approve the project and its installation of the playground within 12 months of the grant approval. Consequently, a letter from the School District must be included with the request. The parent group may contact Deanna Azzara to arrange for the letter of support (deanna.azzara@burnabyschools.ca).

7. The grant can be used for equipment and/or for the purchase and planting of trees and/or shrubs for the playground area or garden projects.

OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES:

1. Projects are considered on a first come, first served basis. Requests will be time dated and received after the 3rd Monday of January of the year the grant is available.

2. Playground Development Grants are only available if approved in the City of Burnaby's Annual Capital Budget

3. In the event the Playground Development Fund is completely allocated prior to yearend, staff will advise Commission of all subsequent requests for their consideration.

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