# 2019-2020 School Grants for Healthy Kids

Parent Grants Webinar February 19, 2019





### Today's Presenters



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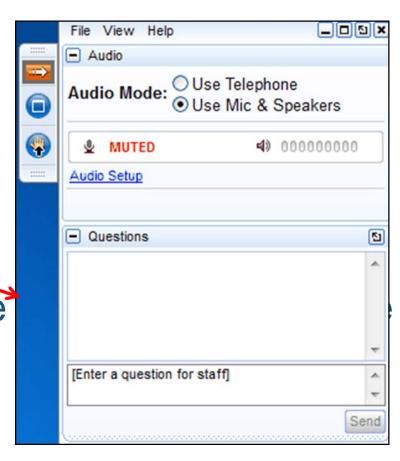


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### Agenda

- Who is Action for Healthy Kids?
- 2019-2020 School Grants for Healthy Kids
- What is Parents for Heathy Kids?
- 2019-2020 Parent Grant Opportunities
- Project Ideas
- Steps to Apply
- Tips for Applying and Technical Assistance
- Important Deadlines
- Questions/Answers



#### Who Are We?











AFHK's vision is a world in which every kid is healthy, active and ready to learn.



#### Who Are We?

Our goal is to create school communities where children learn how to make healthy choices from the minute they walk in the front door to the minute they leave at the end of the school day.





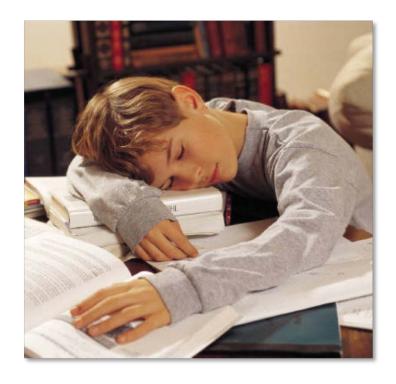
# Why Schools?

- Schools reach most children and adolescents.
- Children spend around 1,200 hours per year in school.
- •Teachers, school staff and parent volunteers are key role models.
- Curriculum standards for health include nutrition and physical education.
- School teach kids what we value and what is important in our community.





# The Learning Connection



Action for Healthy Kids, "The Role of Sound Nutrition and Physical Activity in Academic Achievement"

- Undernourished children tend to have low energy, are often irritable, and have difficulty concentrating.
- They also score lower on vocabulary, reading comprehension and arithmetic tests.



#### Tell Us About Yourself

#### How would you describe yourself?

- A. I am a school teacher/staff member.
- B. I am a school district staff member.
- C. I am a parent or caregiver.
- D. I am a community member or work for a community organization.
- E. I am something else ©



#### Tell Us About Yourself

Has your school ever applied for an Action for Healthy Kids Grant?

- A. Yes, we've applied for a Game On Grant
- B. Yes, we've applied for a Breakfast Grant
- C. Yes, we've applied for a Parent Grant
- D. No, we've never applied for an AFHK grant
- E. I'm not sure



# 2019-2020 School Grants for Healthy Kids

- Grants from \$1,000 and up
- Grants to:
  - K-12 schools
  - PTO, PTA and other parent groups
  - School Health Teams
  - No CBOs or 501c3 organizations





# 2019-2020 School Grants for Healthy Kids

#### **Breakfast Grants**

Implement new alternative breakfast initiatives

#### **Physical Activity and Nutrition Grants**

- Game On Grants
- Parent Grants







### **Grant Impacts**

"The Action for Healthy Kids Grant has truly been a game changer for us. I was able to introduce the students to new games such as Omnikin Ball as well as more structured fitness stations. I was also able to purchase new basketballs and soft volleyballs." — *Physical Education Teacher, funded school, IL* 









# Parents for Healthy Kids

Parents for Healthy Kids is a national initiative created for parents, by parents, offering resources to help parents and caregivers become effective change agents in school and student health. PFHK includes communication tools, school grants and workshops – all specifically for parents.



Action for Healthy Kids • National PTA Sponsored by ALDI





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YOUR SCHOOL, HEALTHIER INSPIRATION ABOUT US PARENT TO PARENT Q



Are you frustrated with the ways things are at your child's school but not sure what to do? Are you looking for tips for healthy living at home and ways to reinforce those healthy habits at school? Well, you came to the right place to get the knowledge, confidence and support you need to make positive changes in health and wellness — both at school and at home!

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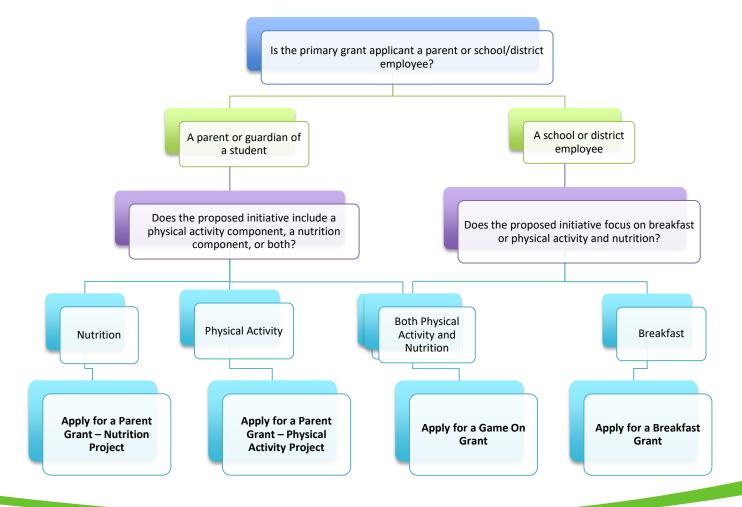
We invite you to sign up to receive news from us about exciting opportunities, new happenings on the site, and more. We're so glad you stopped by!

#### 2019-2020 Parent Grants

- New this year: physical activity <u>OR</u> nutrition grant options
- \$1,000 in grant funding
- Parent or parent group <u>applies</u> for & <u>leads</u> the project
  - Individual parent or family member
  - PTO/PTA or other school level parent group
  - School Wellness Team with a parent lead
- Must have a school level co-lead
  - Individual working at the school level
  - Principal, teacher, nurse, food service manager, etc.



#### 2019-2020 Parent Grants





#### Parents for Healthy Kids Grants

Specific states eligible: AL, AR, CA, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, MI, MN, MO, MS, NC, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, VA, VT, WI, WV

# ALDI Corporate Headquarters

#### Priority areas:

- Within 15 miles of ALDI store
- https://aldi.us/stores/



### Parent Grant Strategies

#### **Physical Activity Project**

- Outdoor and/or Indoor Active Recess
- Play Space Refurbishing
- Classroom Physical Activity
- Before and/or After-School Programming, including Walk/Bike to School





### Physical Activity Project Ideas

- Indoor recess carts
- Kinesthetic learning labs
- Fitness and yoga rooms
- Monthly family fitness nights
- Running or walking clubs
- New or refurbished play spaces
- Stability balls or wobble chairs





### What Our Schools Are Saying

"I feel like it is a good way to start something big. I am actively involved in walking to school and in the morning walking club. This gives me more exercise each day and I like getting the rewards from the grant." *Grant L., 5th Grade Student, Byrnedale Elementary School, OH* 





# Parent Grant Goals - Physical Activity

# Implement at least one physical activity initiative to increase:

- Physical activity minutes (to at least 30 minutes per day or by 10% if minutes are already more than 30)
- Percentage of students participating in physical activity initiatives and/or
- Percentage of time students engage in moderate-to-vigorous physical activity





### Parent Grant Strategies

#### **Nutrition Project:**

- School Gardens
- Healthy Fundraisers
- Classroom Celebrations
- Classroom Rewards
- Healthy Food Taste Testing
- Healthy Cooking Classes
- School Store
- Water Access





### Nutrition Project Ideas

- Rethink Your Drink
- Healthy food taste tests
- School gardens
- Healthy fundraising & celebrations
- Non-food rewards and healthy incentive programs
- Promoting water and increasing water access
- Cooking classes and recipe contests





# What Our Schools Are Saying

"My children and I have really enjoyed the Garden Club that began after our school received the AFHK grant! We've learned about different types of squash and pumpkins, and were able to sample cooked squash and pumpkins seeds. I found the recycling part to be very informative as we learned about making our own compost for our gardens, and what we can and can't recycle." Gina Turner, Grant Wood Elementary Parent, Grant Wood Elementary School, IA



# Parent Grant Goals - Nutrition Project

# Implement at least one nutrition initiative to increase/improve:

- Knowledge of healthy foods and beverages
- Consumption of healthy foods and beverages
- Attitudes around healthy foods and beverages
- The school nutrition environment





# Parent Grant Deliverables – All Projects

- Provide information to students and parents on the importance of physical activity and nutrition
- Engage parents and families in school health efforts
- Work toward becoming a healthpromoting school
- Host an Every Kid Healthy™ Week event during April 2020





### Reporting Deliverables

- Submit Terms & Conditions to accept grant
- Complete a midterm report + submit 2 photos (due December 2019)
- Complete an Every Kid Healthy™ Week event survey (due March 2020)
- Complete a final report + submit 3 photos (due May 2020)



# Every Kid Healthy Week 2020

All awarded schools must also join the AFHK celebration during Every Kid Healthy Week by hosting a family-friendly health-promoting event during April 2020.





#### **Active Schools**

New this year: an exciting benefit from our partners at Active Schools:

- Funded schools will automatically be enrolled as an Active Schools Champion.
- Active Schools Champions receive access to free resources, programs, services (e.g., webinars) and special events, as well as a monthly enewsletter with information about physical education and physical activity grants.
- Champions are the first to hear about special events like Take Your Parent to PE Week (last week of September) and other promotions, contests, and opportunities.
- Funded schools will have the opportunity to opt-out of this automatic enrollment.



#### Best Practices and Great Ideas

#### **Parents for Healthy Kids**

- Inspirational stories and videos from parent leaders
- Hot topics such as recess, snack time and fundraising
- Community forum to exchange ideas, tips and get advice
- https://parentsforhealthykids.org/

#### Game On

- Free online guide provides all the information and resources you need to host a successful school wellness program
- Over 80 Eat Better & Move More activity challenges and activities for every aspect of your school building
- http://www.actionforhealthykids.org/tools-for-schools/game-on



# Yay!! What We Are Looking For

- "Our school is building a walking trail and hosting quarterly health fairs along the trail to promote healthy eating and encourage families to use the trail."
- "Every class will do a monthly taste test and physical activity breaks 3-5 times per week."
- "Our school will do daily morning announcements about healthy eating and have weekly trivia and raffles about the information shared. We will also host monthly Family Fitness Nights for students and parents."



# Nay! What We Are Not Looking For

- "Our school will start a running club for 1st grade students."
- Initiative doesn't include the majority of the student body
- "Our school will host a taste test during our Every Kid Healthy Week event."
- Nutrition initiative isn't ongoing
- "Our school will host a Family Fitness Night."
- Physical activity initiative isn't ongoing



### Steps to Apply

- Complete the paper application with your School Level Co-Lead and School Health Team
- Check your character counts (not word count)
- Write the application as if the person reviewing it knew nothing about your school or project
- Consider having an external reviewer read the application
- Submit the grant application in the online portal
  - No paper applications accepted!



# Steps to Apply

#### Navigate to the Parents for Healthy Kids website



How Healthy is Your School?

Apply for a School Grant!

The Learning Connection

#### Apply for a School Grant

School grants-made for you

OK, so you're ready to make change happen at school! Despite wanting to do what's hest for students' health, many schools lack the necessary resources to

For More on Grants & Other Resources...

Sign up for our emails to get regular updates about future grant opportunities and other ways to get



# Steps to Apply

Scroll down to Step 4 under 'How to Apply' - Log in or create an account on the Action for Healthy Kids school portal



#### How to Apply

- Review the paper application and application instructions above.
- Register for the grant webinar to learn about specific grant details and eligibility requirements and receive helpful tips for applying.
- 3. We recommend you complete a paper application with your school health team prior to submitting your application online. Once the paper application is complete, it will take ~30 minutes to submit online. (No school health team?

<u>Learn how to start one or contact schoolgrants@actionforhealthykids.org</u> for support.

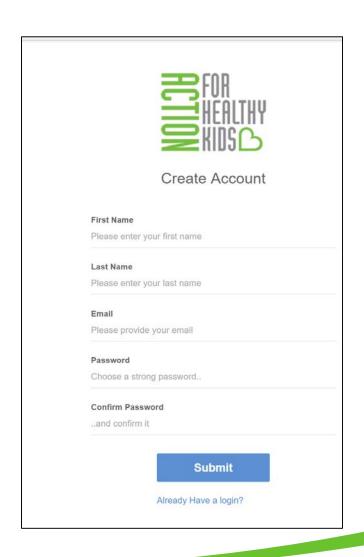
- 4. Log in or create an account on the <u>Action for Healthy Kids school portal</u>.

  Applications must be submitted online.
- 5. Once there, connect your account with the school(s) for which you are applying. To do this, click on My Profile, then the Add or Manage Schools button.
- 6. Click on Grants, and select the parent-led grant. Then, complete your application!



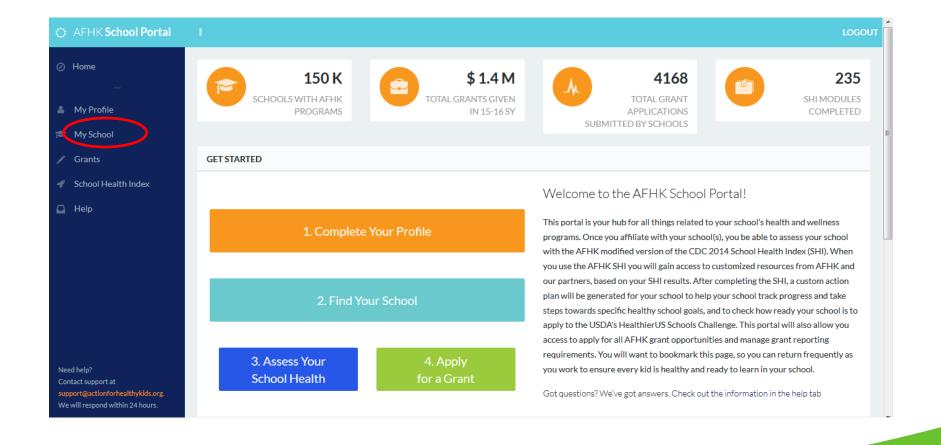
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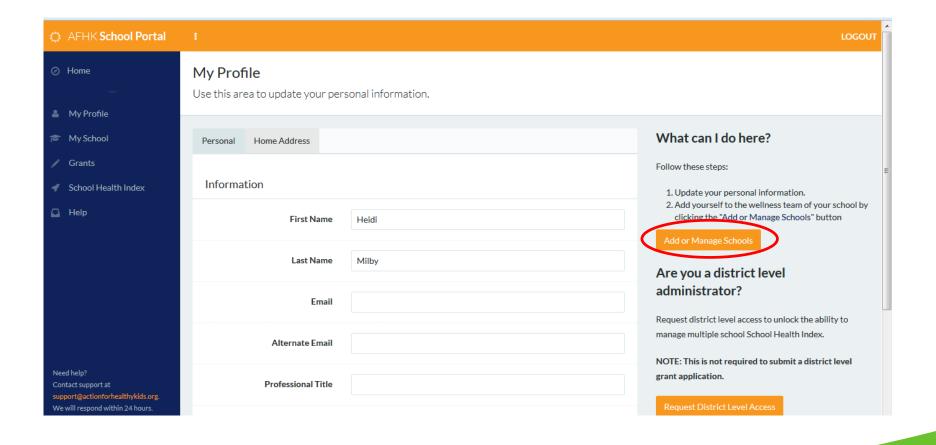


### Steps to Apply – Home Page



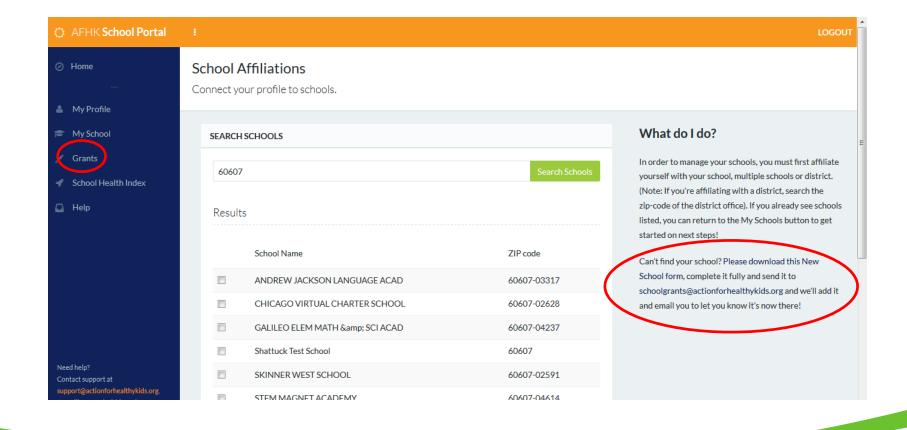


## Steps to Apply – My Profile





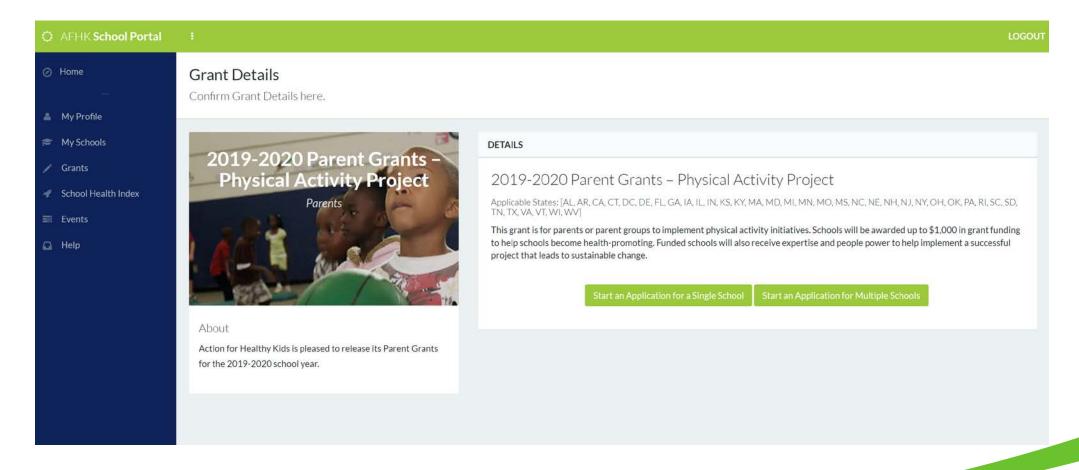
#### Steps to Apply – My School



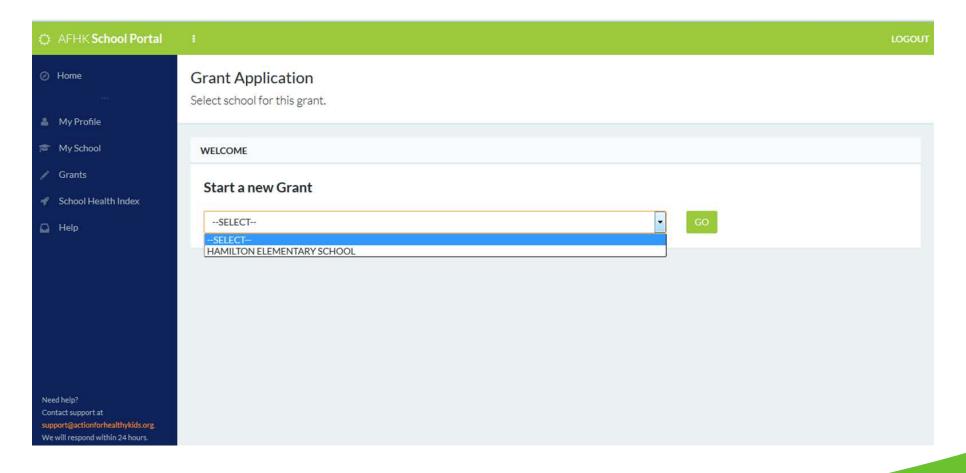




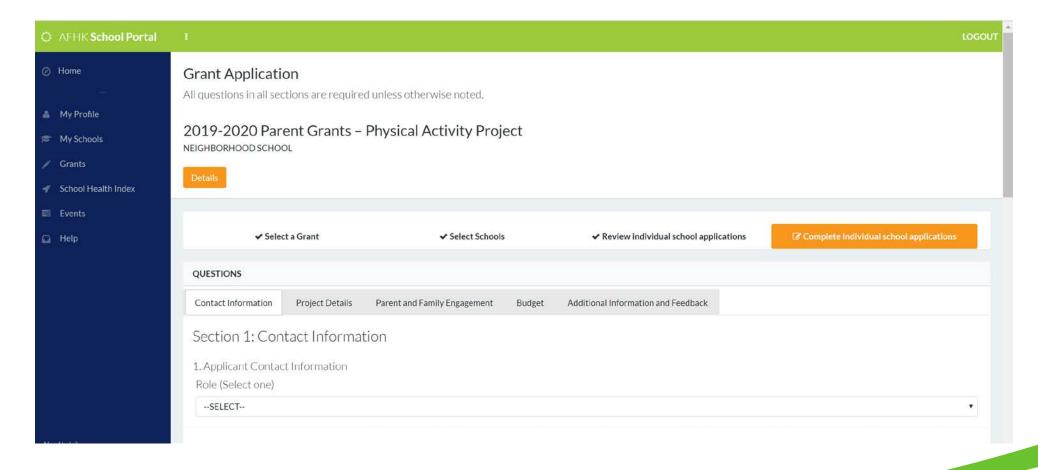




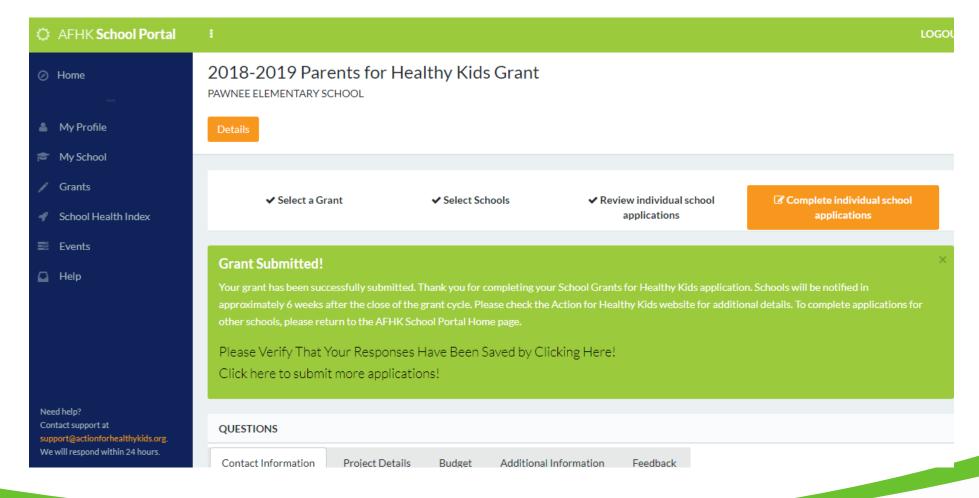














#### Steps to Apply – Review

- LOGIN if you have a username/password or REGISTER to create one
- Set up your portal profile using the MY PROFILE tab
- Affiliate yourself with your school(s) using the MY SCHOOL TAB
- Click on GRANTS to see what grants are available
- Choose the grant you want and begin entering your application



#### Steps to Apply - Tips

- Use the most up to date version of internet browsers: Google Chrome and Firefox
- Save often!
- Move through the application by clicking on tabs at the top
- Complete all required responses before submitting
- If there are errors when you submit, you'll see an ERROR box at the top of the portal – Address the error and re-submit until all errors have been fixed



#### Grant Budget - Tips

- All schools must submit a budget of \$1,000
- Portal will not accept funds over the grant amount
- Funds cannot be used for staffing
- Funds dispersed in 2 payments: 70% upon completion of Terms
   & Conditions (at the beginning of the school year) and 30% after submission of the midterm report (in January)
- If your project requires more funding than our grant provides, please indicate how you'll provide additional funding from other sources
- Fill in N/A for description for any field with \$0



#### General Tips

- Review and utilize the Application Instructions Guide as you compete the grant application – it includes an application checklist.
- Check out our grant FAQ document for additional help.
- Schools can apply for multiple grants (e.g. a Breakfast grant and a Game On grant or a Game On and a Parent grant)
- Schools cannot apply for both types of Parent grant.
- Get creative, unique and innovative!



#### **AFHK Support**

- Assistance with your application
- Content-specific webinars
- Parents for Healthy Kids website and newsletters
- School Health Teams Discussion Group Facebook
- Monthly newsletters
- Resources and materials
- Trainings and events
- Communication and community engagement



## Important Dates

Deadline	Description
Friday, April 5, 2019	Applications due
Monday, May 13, 2019	Award notifications
Friday, May 31, 2019	School Terms and Conditions due
Friday, December 13, 2019	Midterm Report, pre-School Health Index and 2 photos due
Friday, March 27, 2020	Every Kid Healthy Week Event Survey due
Friday, May 29, 2020	Final Report, post-School Health Index and 3 photos due



#### Contact Us

- Regional Managers and State Coordinators
- We will send out the contact list following the live session.

You can also contact us at:

SchoolGrants@ActionforHealthyKids.org



#### Questions

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#### Follow Us for More Resources



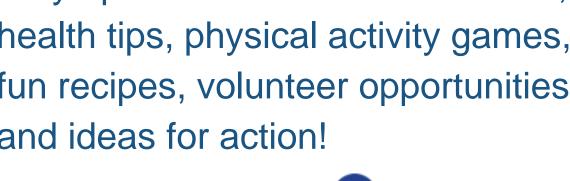








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