

Reaching for Excellence in Texas School Health Grant

Does your school or school district need funding for projects that inspire students to live healthier lives? If the answer is yes, the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) wants to help!

Grants for New Projects

The Reaching for Excellence in Texas School Health Grant funds new projects that focus on nutrition education, physical activity and/or injury prevention. Eligible projects should engage students, their families and the community.

School districts can receive up to \$10,000 (in reimbursement funds) to implement a project on a campus or across the district. Only one grant will be awarded to a school district. DSHS plans to award two awards this year.

Past Winners

DSHS Award Programs have funded more than 100 projects in the last 30 years. These projects have contributed to student health and well-being. Some winning projects have included:

- Bicycle safety
- School garden
- Fitness camp
- Intergenerational garden
- Walking trails

Dates to Know

Application Is Open: Sept. 1, 2021 – Nov. 12, 2021

Project Timeframe: Sept. 1, 2022 – Aug. 31, 2023

Reports: Mid-year and year-end reports required



Dickinson ISD's "Herbs for Healthy Kids" project in 2013 taught students to grow and use herbs to enhance flavor and reduce salt.

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