

## Board Meeting Agenda Item Executive Summary

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**Board Meeting** 10-6-09

**Agenda** Consent

**Item No.** G. 10.

<b>Board Meeting Date:</b>	October 6, 2009
<b>Submitted By:</b>	Everett Caudle
<b>Item Description:</b>	Lowe's Community Grant

**Purpose and Explanation:**

An application has been submitted to the Lowe's Charitable Education Foundation for a grant to provide materials to build an outdoor educational pavilion at Camp Crystal. The goal is to construct an open-air pavilion on the shores of Crystal Lake to be used as an outdoor classroom for the 6,800 school children who visit Camp Crystal each year. The Pavilion will be designed and constructed by architecture students from the University of Florida with oversight by the Alachua County School Board's Facilities Team. The building will serve as a model of low impact, energy efficient, and sustainable building practices. The objective is to increase the number of hands-on learning opportunities for students visiting Camp Crystal's Outdoor Education Program. Funds from the Lowe's Charitable Education Foundation would be augmented by approximately \$32,000 in labor from the UF Department of Architecture and \$1,000 in supplies donated by Satchel's Pizza.

### BUDGETARY IMPACT

<b>Funding Source (Description):</b> Foundation/Private	<b>Amount:</b> \$19,796
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<b>Staff Attorney Review &amp; Approval</b> <i>(For Contracts Only)</i>	Date: _____ Initial: _____	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION Yes: _____ No: _____
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**Please check your request below before submitting**

Organization name School Board of Alachua County's Outdoor Education Center at Camp Crystal Lake

Address 620 East University Avenue

City Gainesville

State FL

Zip 32601

Distance to Lowe's store 0-5 miles

Store number 2365

Store address 2564 NW 13th Street, Gainesville, FL

Have talked to a store manager Yes

Store manager name Charlie Raulerson

Web Site <http://www.campcrystal.com>

501 (c) (3)  
Number / Tax ID 59-6000500

IRS determination letter Yes

Contact Name Tony Oyenarte

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Organization mission To provide district students with a safe & positive setting where they're encouraged to practice effective group dynamics & develop an appreciation, knowledge, & understanding of North FL ecosystems.

Project title	Camp Crystal Lake Outdoor Education Pavilion
Total project expense	\$52,896
Total dollar raised	\$33,100
Amount of grant request	\$19,796
Detail budget description	Foundation & Footings \$1100 Lumber \$9246 Hardware \$2500 Roofing \$2550 Rental Equip \$1500 Landscaping \$650 Fixtures \$750 Electrical \$1500
Other foundations or corporations contributing to the project	The UF Dept. of Architecture will offer volunteer labor and expertise in the amount of \$32,100. The School Board has offered the expertise of their skilled trades people. Satchel's Pizza donated \$1000.
How LCEF grant will be used	The majority of the grant will fund the purchase of materials used to construct the Pavilion. A small portion will be used to purchase native plants to landscape the area around the Pavilion.
LCEF Initiative	Community Improvement
Project scope	Outdoor classroom
Project start date	1/1/2010
Project completion date	9/30/2010
Project details	The goal is to construct an open-air pavilion on the shores of Crystal Lake to be used as an outdoor classroom for the 6800 school children who visit Camp Crystal each year. The Pavilion will be designed and constructed by architecture students from the University of Florida with oversight by the Alachua County School Board's Facilities Team. The building will serve as a model of low impact, energy efficient, and sustainable building practices. The objective is to increase the number of hands-on learning opportunities for students visiting Camp Crystal's Outdoor Education Program. Modular walls will house models currently used by the Outdoor Education Program, including one depicting the water cycle and another demonstrating ground water contamination. The space will inspire the development of new teaching modules. The Pavilion's deck will be an ideal site for the program's high power telescope. Rain barrels will spark discussion of water conservation.

Volunteer opportunities and community events All labor associated with the construction of the Pavilion will be provided by volunteers. Once the structure is complete, we will invite the community to celebrate with a ribbon cutting ceremony. Lowe's employees will be welcomed to participate in the ribbon cutting ceremony.

Events or other promotions planned to publicize the grant and project Print, radio & tv media will be invited to the ribbon cutting ceremony. We will place an article in School Days, a publication sent to all county students. We'll post a link on both Camp Crystal and UF Department of Architecture websites publicizing the project and explicitly thanking Lowe's.

Number of people served Over 10,000

Primary group served Children

Ethnic/Racial breakdown  
Caucasian: 47 %  
African American: 36 %  
Hispanic: 6 %  
Asian: 5 %  
American Indian: 0 %  
Other: 6 %

Zip code(s) most served by the Project 32608, 32609, 32615, 32607, 32608

Person who will report back to the Foundation Tony Oyenarte will submit one final report including photos, media responses and detailed accounts.

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