

Project Name: CVIS Outdoor Classroom Date: 1/22/24

Requestor Name(s): Peter Schintz

Requestor Department(s): CVIS

Provide building name(s) and room number(s): Chartiers Valley Intermediate School - outdoor courtyard near art room.

List stakeholders: (Stakeholders are individuals, departments or others who would be impacted by this request, and those who should have knowledge of the requested modification. Stakeholders include anyone who works or has reports/programs located in the building of the request. Please ensure that all stakeholders are involved with the request. If all stakeholders are not involved, the request could be subject to a lower priority.)

CVIS staff, CVIS admin, CVIS PTG

Do all stakeholders support this request? If no, why? Yes

Indicate what the space will be used for - Instruction, Office, Storage, Other (please describe): Describe the request in detail:

In collaboration with the PTG and Title IV grant funding, we would like to create an outdoor classroom space where students can experience hands-on learning as well as enjoy an alternative outdoor space to have their lessons. The space will be developed in stages and will include a raised floor area with a whiteboard, seating to accommodate a class of 30, as well as raised planter beds to help immerse students in their science units and liven up the space. Additionally, a local artist will create a mural on the wall to accent the area (see attached).

Why is this request needed (please provide justification, benefits to students, department, district, or community)?

This will permit flexibility in instruction as well as hands-on learning opportunities for students. Time spent outside also has been linked to improved mental health and well-being. This area will also provide for natural movement and brain breaks to help stimulate their thinking. This space will provide a collaborative area where students can work on communication and social skills as well as being open to the community and local scout groups to learn from the space. Students will become immersed in environmental education, which has been a recent addition and focus with the new PA STEEL standards for science education.

Please provide any support data.

See attached for diagram, costs associated, and funding sources.

What are the implications if the request is not approved?

We would not be able to have the outdoor classroom space for our students. Students of the IS would lose out on the opportunity to have immersive experiences in science and the outdoor environment.

If this request is asking to change space utilization (e.g., convert classrooms to offices) is there a plan to mitigate the lost space?

N/A

Are there any personnel implications - will the modification require hiring new employees?

technology?

What is the desired timeline for the request to be completed? Please provide estimated costs and funding source: Phase 1 = approx \$10,000 in supplies and costs of labor Facilities Modification Request Form

Please provide a rough sketch of your request (contact campus services if you need a floor plan): See attached paperwork

Required Signatures: Please have requesters and all listed stakeholders sign and date to ensure they were part of this process.

Name:	Signature:	Date:
Requestor	Pin A	3/7/24
Building/Department Admin	Pin A	3/7/24
Superintendent	Thurens	317124