

Jump Start Joint Use: Increasing Physical Activity Before During and After the School Day Arkansas' Joint Use Agreement Grant Program

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Joint Use Concept

“Joint Use promotes healthy lifestyles through community partnerships by encouraging schools and other community organizations to share indoor and outdoor spaces like gymnasiums, athletic fields, playgrounds and walking tracks to increase opportunities for children and adults to become more physically active and lead healthier lifestyles.”

- Providing Safe places to Play/Exercise to more community members for longer hours.
- Maximizing Resources – Both Partners Maintain Space



Community Need

- What are the obesity rates in your community?
 - Local school district's BMI Report - Children
 - County data – Adults
- Where is the most need?
 - What area of town is lacking recreational space
 - What specific population
- Community assessment of recreational space
 - What is available
 - What needs work
 - How can the space be shared, the extended hours, access be extended to more community members?



Potential Partners

- City counsel/ Community Leaders
- Local Parks and Recreation
- Boys and Girls Club
- Local Youth Athletic Associations
- UofA County Cooperative Extension Service
- Other municipal or non-profit organizations

State Policy

- Act 180 of 2009
Tobacco Excise Tax
(56 cent)
- Gov. Mike Beebe's
2009 Health Care
Initiative
- 12-15 Programs
 - Joint Use
Agreements
(JUA)
 - School Based
Health Centers
(SBHC)



State Policy Foundation

- Community Use
A.C.A. §6-21-101
- Immunity
A.C.A. §21-9-301



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State Level Activity

- Maintained through the State Dept. of Ed
- \$500,000 annually
- Compensate school districts for use of their facilities for community health purposes
- Intended Impact: Increase opportunity for physical activity through access to public school facilities or vice versa



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JUA Recreational Facilities

- **School**
 - **Vacant Facilities**
 - Consolidations and new construction
 - **Playgrounds**
 - **Indoor & Outdoor School recreational space**
 - Gymnasium, Football fields & walking tracks
- **Community**
 - **Swimming pools**
 - **Tennis courts**
 - **Softball & baseball fields**



The JUA Program

- All public and charter schools are eligible
- Awards based on individual site/space/facility
- Maximum number of grants per FY-based on enrollment
- All proposed sites must be considered “recreational space”
- Competitive Application process
 - School District must act as Lead Grantee & Fiscal Agent
 - School District must identify JUA Space and Partner
 - Proposal must show evidence of impacting physical activity



JUA Funding

- \$10,000 per grant + Policy Development Funding
- Two Phase Requirements
 - Phase I – School District develops stand alone Joint Use School Board Policy
 - Phase II – Draft, Adopt, & Implement JUA Partnership Formal Agreement
- Allowable Spending:
 - Update facility, Equipment for facility and/or Operation Costs
- Non-Allowable Spending:
 - Non directly related PA
 - Sports/Physical Activity Instructors



The JUA Priority

- Priority Areas
 - High Rate of Low-Income Families
 - High Rate of Obesity Among Students
 - Lack of Recreational Resources in the Community
 - Prior Joint Use Efforts
 - Prior Efforts in Community/School Health

State Partners

- Arkansas Municipal League
- State Parks and Recreation Department
- Arkansas Department of Health
- Arkansas School Boards Association
- Arkansas Department of Transportation
- Arkansas Center for Health Improvement
- Arkansas Coalition for Obesity Prevention



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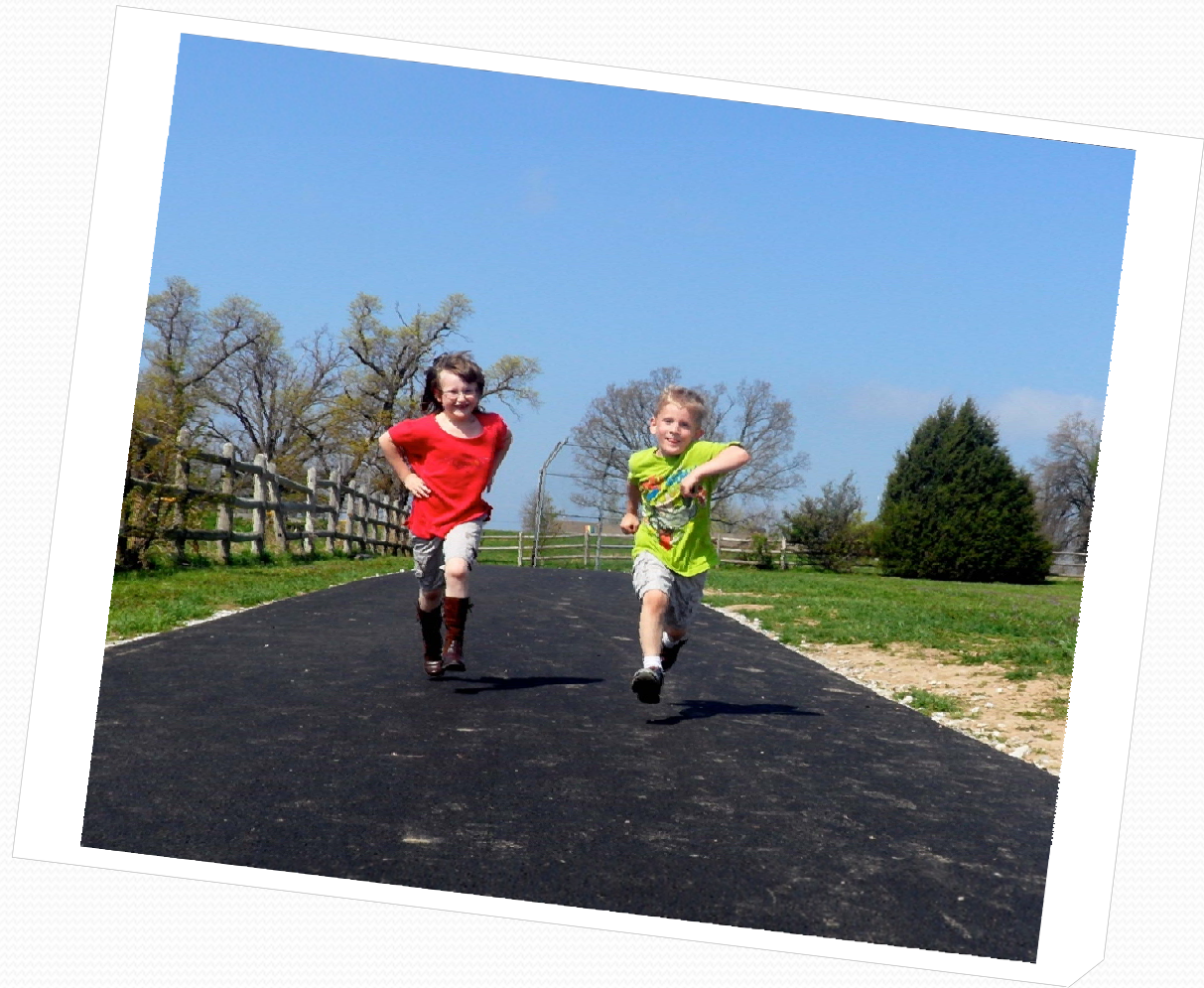
Local Spotlight: Springdale, AR

City of Springdale & Springdale School District

Construction of Walking
trails around elementary
playgrounds

Partnership:
City donates labor and
equipment for installation

School District donates
land and maintains
grounds



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ENVIRONMENT.
**SMOKING OR USE OF TOBACCO
OR PRODUCTS CONTAINING
TOBACCO IN ANY FORM IN
OR ON ANY PROPERTY
OWNED OR LEASED BY A
PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT,
INCLUDING SCHOOL BUSES,
IS PROHIBITED.**

-Arkansas Act 1555 of 1999-

**Springdale Public Schools and the
City of Springdale
invite you to enjoy the Joint Use Agreement trail
when school is not in session**

**El Distrito Escolar de Springdale
y la Ciudad de Springdale
lo invitan a disfrutar la vereda construída bajo el
Acuerdo de Uso Conjunto
fuera del horario de escuela**

Springdale The Heart of Healthy Living El corazón de la vida saludable

Local Spotlight: Lavaca, AR

Lavaca Youth Basketball Association & Lavaca School District

Shared use of two
gymnasiums

Youth Association provides
their own custodial service
after use

District maintains the
facility



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Local Spotlight: Harrisburg, AR

Harrisburg School District & City of Harrisburg

Shared Use of Community
Owned Tennis Courts

City provides upkeep/
maintenance

School District provides
periodical upkeep such as
netting, etc.



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