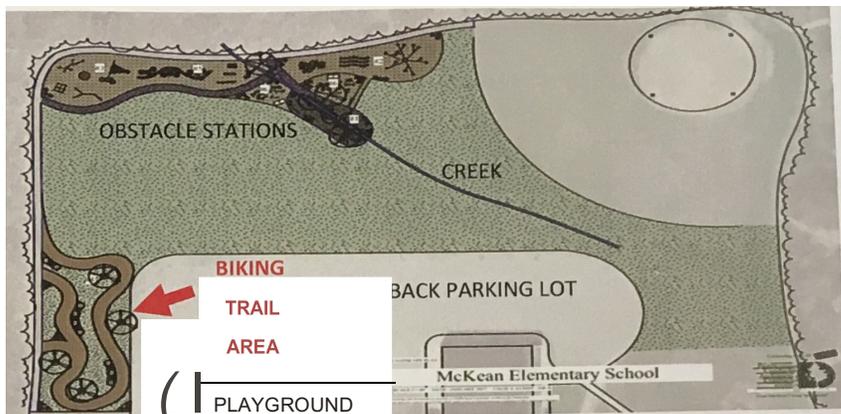


Announcing the construction of the McKean Elementary Fitness and Nature Trail

Mrs. Roberts' dream is becoming a reality! With the help of Dahlkemper's Landscape Architects and Contractors, Mrs. Roberts has designed a multipurpose trail which will run along the back perimeter of our school property and includes areas for biking, climbing, balancing as well as interactive sensory experiences and so much more. All of the construction will be made out of natural materials like wood and rock. These areas will be able to be used for cross-curricular exploration.



The McKean PTA has pledged to raise \$6,000 to completely fund phase 3, the bike trail area. We would love to have this area completed before next school year. Each fall and spring, our students enjoy participating in the biking program during their health and physical education classes. This area will include a curvilinear path with small grade changes and obstacles that will make biking more fun and exciting. The bike trail can be used for skiing in the winter.



PHASE 3 BIKE TRAIL AREA



There are 6 phases of this trail project totaling close to \$40,000. With donations from McKean Elementary PTA and St. Francis Usher's Club, we will be able to complete phases 1 and 2 (\$18,000 total) this summer including all the walking paths for the entire trail and the construction of the first obstacle station. This island/water themed station will focus on the fitness skill of balance while incorporating science and discovery. Mrs. Roberts is currently applying for additional grants with the hope of being awarded money that will fund the remaining phases. The goal is to complete a majority of the fitness and nature trail project this summer.

In addition to monetary donations, we are also looking for material donations to help offset the costs. Donations of logs, rocks, mulch, a small bridge for the creek crossing and hardy, low maintenance plants would be helpful. If you have any materials you wish to donate, arrangements can be made for pick up or drop off.

This fitness and nature trail will be enjoyed for years to come by the McKean students, families and community. If you have questions about the project, please contact Lisa Roberts at lisaroberts@generalmcclane.org or (814) 273-1033 ext. 4020. Thank you for your support of the McKean Elementary Fitness and Nature Trail.

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STUDENT NAME _____ TEACHER _____

MONETARY DONATION:

Please make checks payable to:

McKean Elementary PTA

and write trail project in the memo

MATERIAL DONATION:

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Additional information: _____

Contact Name: _____

Phone#: _____

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