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MUSKEGON HEIGHTS SCHOOL RECEIVES LOWE'S GRANT

The students at Edgewood Elementary School will be able to perform in a facility befitting their top-notch talent, thanks to a \$2,900 grant presented through Lowe's "Toolbox for Education" program.

The school, located at 3028 Howden St. in Muskegon Heights, Michigan, will use the funds to improve the stage theater area of the school. Edgewood is one of only nine Michigan schools receiving the grants this year.

"We are very proud of the talented students at Edgewood. Thanks to Lowe's and the efforts of the Edgewood parents, they will be proud of their stage, too" says Dana M. Bryant, superintendent of the Muskegon Heights Public Schools.

Edgewood PTO President Safornia Johnson-Pierce wrote and applied for the grant in October and informed the school district last week that they had been selected to receive the funds.

"The grant in Muskegon Heights represents Lowe's commitment to education," said Larry D. Stone, chairman of Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation. "By supporting local schools like Edgewood, we believe we are not only investing in community projects that are important to our customers and employees, but we're also helping schools build a stronger foundation for the children who will be tomorrow's employees, homeowners and community leaders."

Launched in partnership with PTO Today, a leading organization serving parent-teacher groups, Toolbox for Education grants of up to \$5,000 are available for a wide range of improvement projects at up to 1,000 schools nationwide. Parent groups may apply by visiting www.ToolboxforEducation.com. All K-12 schools in the United States are eligible.

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