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## **NEWS RELEASE**

O'Gorman High School Awarded Green Apple School Grant of \$1,000

## Timmins, February 7, 2011:

Julianne Stewart, a teacher at O'Gorman High School, applied for a grant from the Green Apple School Program (Metro) and was successful. The grant money of \$1000.00 will go towards the purchase of a picnic table, swing set, bird feeder, tools to make a garden and solar lights for the O'Gorman High School courtyard.

Mrs. Stewart commented "This will be a space for our autistic students to enjoy. Our autistic students need a space to go to that does not put any demands on them. It is a place that will provide a calming atmosphere, where we can bring them when they are experiencing some difficulties."

This initiative from Metro was created to encourage students to participate in the development of a healthier environment. Since it was introduced in the fall of 2001, the program has rallied thousands of students from Ontario and encouraged them to become involved in their schools and make a difference in their community.

Darren Berthier, Principal at O'Gorman High School noted, "This will be an exciting addition to our courtyard and the students and staff members at OHS will be able to make use of this newly renovated space to enjoy nature and apply new learning techniques in the 21st century."



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