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**Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama's School Grant Program
Awards \$250,000 in Grants to Address Childhood Obesity**

BIRMINGHAM, AL – In our commitment to help prevent childhood obesity, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama's Be Healthy School Grant Program is awarding \$250,000 in grants to 26 schools statewide enrolling students in grades K through sixth for the 2017 - 2018 school year. The grants are for the implementation of school-based health and wellness programs, emphasizing increased exercise, nutrition education and parental involvement during the school year. More than 12,200 students will benefit from the program. Each school is receiving a grant up to \$10,000.

Since 2012, Blue Cross has awarded over \$1,019,800 in 114 Be Healthy School Grants statewide impacting more than 57,500 students.

Congratulations to the following schools receiving grants for the 2017-2018 school year:

<u>School</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>County</u>
Banks School	Banks	Pike
Barbour County Primary	Clayton	Barbour
Brookhill Elementary	Athens	Limestone
Buhl Elementary	Tuscaloosa	Tuscaloosa
Cahaba Elementary	Trussville	Jefferson
Clay Elementary	Clay	Jefferson
Dixie Elementary	Opelika	Russell
Douglas Elementary	Horton	Marshall
Evergreen Elementary	Evergreen	Conecuh
Fayetteville High School	Sylacauga	Talladega
Glenwood School	Phenix City	Lee



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Greenwood Elementary	Bessemer	Jefferson
Harrand Creek	Enterprise	Coffee
Huntington Place	Northport	Tuscaloosa
Indian Valley Elementary	Sylacauga	Talladega
Maddox Intermediate School	Jasper	Walker
Martha Gaskins Elementary	Birmingham	Jefferson
Montevallo Elementary	Montevallo	Shelby
Pelham Oaks Elementary	Pelham	Shelby
Reform Elementary	Reform	Pickens
Riverton Elementary	Huntsville	Madison
Robinson Elementary	Birmingham	Jefferson
Swift School	Bon Secour	Baldwin
Troy Elementary	Troy	Pike
Valley Jr. High	Jasper	Walker
Walter Jackson Elementary	Decatur	Morgan

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