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'Playground hero': Ohatchee Elementary School receives funding for playground

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Funds for Ohatchee Elementary School playground in the amount of \$3,562 were acquired for a program called "Be Our Playground Hero", with the assistance of state Sen. Del Marsh and the late state Rep. Lea Fite through the Coosa Valley Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D) Council. The funds are designated to be used to remove pine mulch and replace it with rubber mulch; install a drainage system to alleviate the problem of standing water. The school uses this playground not only for recreation and physical exercise, but also works with the 4-H to have demonstrations and exhibits regarding recycling and classes on different types of ground covering.

The Calhoun County Extension System and the 4-H department were also instrumental in helping with this playground improvement project.

Adult attendees at the presentation included left to right, Alton Hall, chairman, Calhoun County Soil & Water Conservation District; Jimmy Cheatwood, Calhoun County Soil & Water Conservation district supervisor; Sharon Stone, Coosa Valley RC&D project manager; Julie Hood, assistant principal, Ohatchee Elementary School; and Sen. Del Marsh.