

## **BOCES center receives grant for baseball field upgrades**

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Playground equipment, a scoreboard and a press box will be built at the Miracle League baseball field on Grand Island, with funding from a national home improvement store chain and the manpower from local students.

The Erie 1 BOCES Kenton Career & Technical Center recently was awarded a \$10,000 grant through the Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation. Kenton was only one of four organizations in the state to receive a grant.

This spring, students from the center—which participates in SkillsUSA, a national nonprofit organization working to ensure America has a skilled work force—will begin work at the field in Veterans Park. In addition to the construction, students also will work on landscaping the field, which opened last September to provide a safe baseball environment for children with disabilities.

The baseball complex has a 40-by 100-foot pavilion, as well as a wheelchair-accessible concessions stand and restrooms.