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GRANT # 2017-18-3
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GRANT APPLICATION

up to \$ 1,980
(Please print or type)

Applicant Name(s): Tandy Huber

Date: September 3, 2017

School Building: Herbert Hoover

BCSF Representative: Chris Krieg
Tara Bell

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Phone #: 563-349-5534

Title of the Project/Grant: Expanding Expression Tool

Department/Grade Level: K-5

Number of Students Impacted: @ 450

Start Date of Project: Fall 2017

End Date of Project: Ongoing

Total Budget of Project: \$1985.50

Amount Requested from BCSF: ~~\$985.50~~ \$1,977

Additional Funding Sources (include denied funding requests):

Asked to Double by Committee

Source

Result

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| • Hoover School Budget | \$500.00 |
| • Hoover PTO Budget | \$500.00 |

Instructions: Please respond to all questions clearly and concisely. Also contact your BCSF Representative for grant review one week prior to grant submission deadline.

Purpose

- In 3-5 sentences describe the education problem/need that this grant request addresses. Many teachers at Hoover Elementary have voiced concerns about the challenges that their students face in the areas of oral and written expression. We have well developed curriculums that support our standards in reading and math, but writing has consistently been a subject in which elementary teachers are looking for resources to enhance their instruction. The Expanding Expression Tool can be used in new and different ways at each grade level to meet the needs of the students in regard to speaking, listening, writing, and vocabulary.

Solution

- Describe how this grant request will improve and enhance the learning experience for students impacted by the above identified problem.
- The Expanding Expression Tool (EET) was designed by speech and language pathologist, Sara Smith, to extend students' language and writing skills. The funds requested will be used to purchase EET (Expanding Expression Tool) kits for students in grade K-5. The EET provides students with a multi-sensory approach, incorporating auditory, visual, and tactile information. This expands students' written and verbal expression. The EET allows students to organize new and prior knowledge. The kit itself is designed to allow teachers to extend their students' expression from words to paragraphs to reports. The EET kit includes: Colorful golf ball-sized beads on a string which are moved in unison to a chant, dice

- Lessons in primary grades will focus on verbal expression, vocabulary development, writing descriptive sentences, and the Iowa Core writing standards specific to each grade level.
- Lessons in intermediate grades will focus on verbal expression, vocabulary development, and writing personal narratives, opinion essays, and research papers, all focusing on the Iowa Core writing standards specific to each grade level.
- Ongoing – As students progress from K-5th grade, they will extend their use of the tool each year. The goal will be to expand their writing skills from simple sentences to complex sentences to paragraphs to reports.

- Describe how the results of the proposed grant will be evaluated or measured.
- Teachers will use grade level rubrics to compare speaking and written expression before using the EET and after working with the EET. Effectiveness of the program will be based on this pre- and post baseline data.

Project Narrative & Grant Criteria

- With which of the following BCSF criteria does this proposed grant align? (please highlight or circle - more than 1 may apply)
 - Supplemental materials for new programs or initiatives that is unobtainable through other methods.
 - **New ideas or materials that assist in meeting established standards and benchmarks or educational needs of groups of students.**
 - **Supports 21st Century skills (critical thinking, creative thinking, problem solving and collaboration).**
 - **Educational needs of a specific group of students.**
 - Educational events, activities and/or programs.
 - **Educational equipment or technology.**

Budget

- Attach an itemized breakdown of how the funding will be used.
- Please include in the budget the entire cost of the grant.

Item Description	Cost	# Purchased	Subtotal
Expanding Expression Kit	\$249.00	5	\$1, 245.00
Individual Expanding Expression Tools	\$35.00	16	\$ 560.00
Handling, Postage, and Carrying Charges (10%)	\$180.50		\$ 180.50
Total			\$1,985.50