

MINI GRANTS	Amt Granted	School	Summary of Project
03-302 Author to Author Buddy to Buddy <i>Scoti Bolding, Joan Meek, Kathy Prince-Williams Melissa Philhower</i>	\$ 725.99	Brook Park	With the help of materials purchased by this grant, third graders are taught writing skills that they in turn teach to first graders. The third graders learn to write, teach, mentor and serve others. What better way to learn than to teach others?
03-303 Classroom Science Discovery Center <i>Mabel Ramos</i>	\$ 350.00	Forest Glen	To have a discovery center readily available in the classroom to "capture the students' curiosity and encourage exploration." Grant request was for kits that illustrate scientific concepts thru the use of experimentation or teacher-guided demonstration."
03-305 Sky Writers Magazine <i>Danielle Shockey</i>	\$ 687.05	Skiles Test	"Sky Writers" is a monthly magazine for writers published as a fourth grade class project. The students select works submitted by any student writer, edit and create the layouts, choose illustrations and photographs to include, bind the work and distribute to students, classrooms and the library. The primary purpose of the project is to focus on student writing.
03-306 Bridging the Gap with Technology <i>Kathy Sahm Francis</i>	\$ 375.00	Lawrence North	LN yearbook students mentored Forest Glen 5 th Grade students to create the Forest Glen yearbook in 2002. LN students went to Forest Glen during the school day to teach 5 th graders how to use a digital camera, how to work on photo content, etc. When all photos had been taken (over 1,000) total, the 5 th graders came to LN to work in their computer lab with the high school students. The high school students taught them the basics of Photoshop, helped them lay out their collage pages and worked one on one in creating their yearbook. To continue this collaboration for the current school year, two digital cameras were requested. One digital camera was granted.
03-307 Finding the Balance: Redesigning Math Instructor <i>Kim Beal</i>	\$ 748.27	Crestview	A project involving changing traditional math teaching strategies to incorporate math stations. Five math instructional stations, involving a teaching station, a computational station, a real-world problem solving, a station providing manipulatives, drawings and diagrams for use in justification, and a long term project station will be set up to accommodate small groups of students. Flexibility in the level of challenge and time spent at each station are key components of this project.
03-308 Doodle Club <i>Kathy Tappy</i>	\$731.92	Forest Glen	Goal is to strengthen hand muscles in students with weak fine motor skills. Some of the materials requested are clay, rubber bands, string beads, clothespins, lacing letters, weave boards, etc. Students work first thing in a.m. in Doodle Club with Resource Teacher to improve fine motor control. Students would be eligible for the club thru teacher recommendation.
03-309 Science is Egg-Citing <i>Alan Burrell</i>	\$ 504.90	Belzer	Teacher wants to have duck eggs incubate and hatch at school which allows many scientific explorations and lessons. Would like to purchase incubator for permanent equipment.
03-310 Cinderella's Closet <i>Pamela Saxhaug</i>	\$ 750.00	Lawrence North	Cinderella's closet was started in 1999 to assist those students who are unable to attend formal dress events of high school due to financial need. The Closet has grown large and now not only serves LN and LC students, but students from surrounding high schools, too. The Closet needs clothing racks, shoe racks, cleaning services for the worn garments that are returned to the closet, a small dressing room, mirrors and plus-sized garments. Closet requested materials to build the above & for services above.

03-311 Writing Lessons With Craft <i>Jennifer Nicholson</i>	\$ 350.00	Brook Park	Use of selected literature to help improvement of writing skills for first graders. Written pieces will be displayed in the Lawrence Library as well as the school reading center. In addition, guest authors will be invited to share their writing with students to help further enhance their experience.
03-312 Making Progress in English Literacy <i>Nancy Morales</i>	\$ 394.45	Forest Glen	Research concerning second language acquisition shows that students who are literate in their native language master a second language faster. Grant will begin to create a library of books in Spanish as well as provide a subscription to "Que Tal?", a magazine designed to move students toward meeting the national standards in Spanish.
03-313 Magnetic Letter Mania <i>Andrea Norwood</i>	\$ 500.00	Forest Glen	Magnetic letters & lapboards are creatively used to teach spelling & phonics in small group settings.
03-314 Creating Confident Engaged Readers <i>Jessica LeGrand</i>	\$ 375.00 \$ 6,492.58	Forest Glen	The goal is to provide direct reading instruction to ESOL students at their own reading level so they will attain confidence and skills needed to grow as readers. Many students are reading at 1 st and 2 nd grade. Some teachers had found chapter books which are of more interest to this age student than other books written for 1 st and 2 nd graders. If they are appealing to the students they read more.
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03-401 Motivating Through Video Editing <i>Karen Glickert, Randy Tomes, Luann Moberg</i>	\$1,899.95	Brook Park	In conjunction with the township's digital age literacy goals, students at Brook Park will be able to further develop presentations through use of this equipment. This production tool will give them the ability to create everything from a.m. announcements to research reports to class-based projects.
03-402 \$Take Stock in Harrison Hill \$ <i>Pamela Perkins</i>	\$2,000.00	Harrison Hill	Harrison Hill PFO involves students, teachers, parents & community businesses to get people involved in the school and excited about learning. Very specific incentive plans are designed to reach the goals in the School Improvement Plan and make an impact on student attendance & achievement.
03-403 "Math You Know" Cards <i>Judith Larr, Jane Brunner</i>	\$1,691.00	Crestview	"Math You Know" Cards will be created to motivate students to learn basic math facts. The MYK cards will be distributed to all students at Crestview to be played with their peers similar to the card game "War". Children will have to know basic math facts to win the game. Based on the idea of the popular trading cards Yu-Gi-Oh, some cards will have more value. MYK cards will have information and pictures of Crestview staff and will be traded and collected by the winning students.
03-404 A Touch of Hollywood <i>Kimberly Zimmerman</i>	\$ 1,000.00	Lawrence North	AV Director requested an additional Magic Non-Linear machine to be used in preparing DVD's or videos for class projects. Magics can be used to add clips, 8 mm film, music, etc. to presentations. LN currently has 12 Magics--1 for teacher use only and 11 for students.
03-405 Digital Video Production Software <i>Dan Davis</i>	\$1,000.00	Lawrence Central	A partial grant funding very sophisticated video production software to be utilized in the Media Center Creativity Center. The software will allow students to more broadly expand their personal creativity. The project director has experienced extraordinary video production creativity from students who might otherwise not have an opportunity to excel or, perhaps, express themselves in an acceptably-social manner.

03-406 Parent Clusters <i>Ed Freije</i>	\$1,000.00	Lawrence Central	Principal Ed Freije wishes to start "Parent Clusters". He sees LC as a family who needs to feel connected and invested in LC. This outreach process will place 13 –14 students with their parents, grandparents, and teacher mentor in a cluster. One parent will be the captain of the cluster. This cluster is for the family to discuss the issues going on at school, i.e. dress code, behavior issues. He successfully put together this program at New Palestine high school and wishes to continue his "model" at LC to embrace the diversity that exists in his new family. His grant request is for materials for the clusters.
03-407 Kids Garden Inc. <i>Krista Nelson</i>	\$1,000.00	Forest Glen	Partial funding for the purchase of materials to be used by students and parents in a well thought out project that will change an under used and neglected courtyard into a functional, working outdoor classroom/lab. No fewer than 118 State educational standards are addressed in this project which involves a detailed business plan, job descriptions, job applications and a detailed budget. The students in this classroom came up with the idea after reading <u>The Lorax</u> by Dr. Seuss, creating their environmentally sensitive plan and established goals to achieve.
03-409 3R's on the Railroad <i>Beverly Ackerman, Amy Reitz</i>	\$ 942.12	Oaklandon	A new unit on railroads takes an interdisciplinary approach to learning about the Oaklandon neighborhood. Classroom study, The Children's Museum, the Indiana Transportation Museum and a train ride from Noblesville to Fishers tie it all together in a program that kids of all ages will love to experience.
03-410 Read Aloud Picture Books <i>Regina Young</i>	\$1,000.00	Crestview	It is a well established practice in the Elementary Curriculum to work in level adjusted guided reading programs. To prepare the students for this, loud reading from picture books is used to teach the strategies of reading comprehension. The grant will pay for these picture books to allow the completion of the learning to read process.
03-411 Interdiscipline Visual Literacy Guide <i>Martha Byrne</i>	\$ 500.00	Lawrence North	Development and production of teacher guide for each teacher as Lawrence North on visual art, to strengthen unique methods of presentation and assessments.
03-412 Picture This! <i>Alicia Stevens</i>	\$ 500.00	Forest Glen	Parents submitted this grant to request 8 digital cameras for whole 2 nd grade to document activities in the classroom, on field trips, and to create projects.
03-413 Digital Literacy <i>Judy Canfield</i>	\$ 750.00	Forest Glen	The first grade classes wish to have digital cameras in each one of their rooms to motivate students with real life examples of math, science, social studies and language arts concepts documented by the digital camera. Each student will put together a yearlong power point, highlighting each month of school on their very own CD to be taken home with them at the end of the school year. The teachers want the cameras in their rooms to capture "the moment". Often the six digital cameras in the media center are checked out and not available. One camera color printer and cartridge granted.
03-414 It's a Balancing Act <i>Alan Burrell</i>	\$ 1,942.35	Belzer	Funding for the purchase of scientific Triple Beam Balances and Electronic Balances to be utilized in hands-on activities by the 6 th – 8 th grade students. Classroom activities will include measuring dehydration of foods we eat, the density of aluminum foil boats (will they float or sink?) as well as measuring the conservation of mass. The equipment purchased will supplement limited, antiquated and broken equipment currently in use.

03-415 MicroWorld Exploration!
Tamara Klage

\$ 1,098.04
\$16,323.46

Mary Castle

Providing quality microscopes allow students the opportunity to experience seeing parts of their world too small to see with the naked eye. This grant will provide 6 metal microscopes with carrying cases as well as a microscope introduction book. They will replace plastic mini-microscopes that are ineffective. The new microscopes will have a light source, 2 focusing adjustments, and 3 magnification lenses.

Total Amount of Requests Granted for Fall 2003 Session:

\$24,816.04