



Trails West Elementary PTO Grant Application

Applicant: 4th Grade (Elaine Smedly) _____

Request: Books for Lucy Calkins reading (The Bookies) Amount requested: \$900

Will there be reoccurring costs associated with your request? If so, how much: No

Description of program: We are requesting a total of \$900 (\$300 per 4th grade classroom) for books to support the Lucy Calkins reading program. We would purchase these books through The Bookies, and they will primarily consist of nonfiction texts for kids. We also purchase some historical fiction books and chapter books. All books purchased with PTO funds will be for the use of students.

How will this enhance or improve student performance?

Access to copious amounts of complex texts will help students improve foundational and comprehensive reading skills. Students will be able to use these texts to complete class assignments, practice for assessments, and develop love of reading. Research shows that students who read more and students who read lots of different kinds of books do better in school and on standardized tests. We are hoping to see student improvement on in-class assessments, the iReady Assessment, and state tests.

Evaluation/results:

We will consistently assess student progress on reading expectations through in-class work, teacher/student conversations, and unit assessments. We fully expect to see improved student performance through increased access to text.

Has this request been previously funded? Yes No

If yes, who funded it previously? _____

Elaine Smedly
Applicant's signature

11/10/17
Date

Principal's signature

Date

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Approved by:

Date
