

Arlington Public Schools

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Supportive Information Sheet

Subject: PTA DONATION TO PRESIDENTS ELEMENTARY

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Submitted by: _____ Terri Bookey, Presidents Elementary Principal _____

Date: _____ September 22, 2008 _____

Background Information:

Presidents Elementary PTA will be donating funds in the amount of \$2,500 in support of PAWS incentive program. This is a school-wide student incentive program with a focus on self-esteem and positive school behaviors. The \$2,500 in grant money will go to purchase the incentive items such as popcorn, pizza, pencils, and board games.

The PTA is also donating funds in the amount of \$1,660 for the purchase of a new laminator. Our current laminator is over 10 years old and is no longer reliable despite several repairs in recent years. The estimate to have it repaired at this point is approximately half the cost of a new laminator so it has been determined to be more cost-effective to make a new purchase.

Administrative Consideration:

The PAWS program is just one way our staff helps our students succeed in school and become responsible citizens. After students are taught the behavior expectations, they receive recognition throughout the school year for exhibiting those behaviors. The PAWS program helps create a safe and positive environment where all children can learn.

The staff uses the laminator to extend the life of numerous teaching tools. By laminating these items, we are able to use them for many years rather than replacing them every year or two.

Superintendent's Recommendation:

That the Board approves the grant to Presidents Elementary from Presidents PTA in the amount of \$2,500 for the purchase of PAWS incentives and in the amount of \$1,660 for a new laminator.