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## **Grant Proposal Summary**

Brentwood Elementary School respectfully requests the consideration of the Tutoring Foundation of a grant in the amount of \$18,000. Your support will fund the expansion of our afterschool tutoring program so that we may serve 60 students from disadvantaged backgrounds. Past programming demonstrated that tutoring will bring their reading and math skills up to grade level or better.

The afterschool tutoring program serves the lowest-performing students. Most of these students are economically disadvantaged and/or have limited English proficiency. They all are enthusiastic learners who strive to do their very best, but they need individual attention to bring their achievement up to grade level. In-class teachers cannot provide the extra instruction that these students need. With the help of this grant, the school will expand the tutoring program to serve a minimum of 60 students in Grades 2-5 who are currently below grade level in reading and math. By the end of the grant period, 90% of these students will be performing at grade level or better in reading and math.

The current afterschool tutoring program is staffed by volunteer teachers. During the past two years, the program experienced great success but could not serve all who need it. The expansion of the tutoring program will allow us to reach more students who are performing below grade level and will help the students catch up to their classmates. As a result, TAKS test scores will also improve.

The total cost of the afterschool tutoring program is \$33,000. Of this amount, \$15,000 will be funded by the PTA, in-kind donations from Health Foods, and volunteer labor. Your investment of \$18,000 will complete the funding we need to expand our tutoring program, and we are excited about the prospect of partnering with you.

Thank you for your consideration of our request.