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### COUNCIL GROVE AREA FOUNDATION APPLICATION FOR GRANT

1. Organization Name: White City Schools

2. Address : 414 Goodnow                      White City                      Kansas                      66872  
                    Street                                      City                                      State                                      Zip

3. Organization's Officers:  
Kindergarten Teacher/Parent: 785-349-2500

4. Contact Person, Title, Phone:  
Joni Peterson: Kindergarten Teacher, Home: 785-349-2500 Work: 785-349-2211

5. Is this a tax-exempt organization? If so, date tax exempt status received:  
Yes we are a tax-exempt organization; we have been tax exempt since our school has existed.

6. Title of Project and Brief Description: Lyrics2Learn

Lyrics2Learn hosts a musically interactive K-5<sup>th</sup> grade reading activities proven to improve reading at a faster rate. This program allows teachers to devote more time to high impact instruction on a personalized level. Each lesson is designed to reach every learning style and every learner. Lyrics to Learn maximizes student engagement, improves skills, and can be completed at school or at home. Every lesson includes fluency practice and four levels of interactive comprehension.

7. Geographic Area to be served: White City School

8. What group will be benefited? Grades Kindergarten thru 5<sup>th</sup> Grade, Special Education Classroom, Title One Classroom

Size of Group: Kindergarten thru 5<sup>th</sup> Grade approximately 70 students

9. Anticipated Project Period: Now to Many years in the future

10. Is this a request for Capital, Operating Support, or a Special Project?  
This is a Special Project Request to purchase the Lyrics2Learn project for grades K-5<sup>th</sup>.

11. Total Project Cost:  
Including: \$1,350

This will cover the cost to implement the Lyrics2Learn program into grades Kindergarten-5<sup>th</sup> grade, special education classroom, and title one classroom.

12. Amount Requested from Foundation: \$1,350

13. Amount and Source of Pledges or Commitments to Date: NA

14. Other Grant Applications or Funding Requests made for this project: NA

15. What action has been taken on the other applications or requests? NA

16. What is the purpose of this project; what specifically will it accomplish?

The purpose of this project is to make learning meaningful, creative, and fun. All students learn differently and one method that I greatly enjoy using in my own kindergarten classroom is music. Music engages and motivates children on the highest level and makes fluency practice fun. It also allows students to connect with information and have a deeper connection. The Lyrics2Learn program is an interactive music based program that has proven to improve reading and comprehension skills across all curriculum areas and grade levels.

17. What are the problems this project will attempt to solve?

- Teachers can free up time and offer more personalized attention to kids: Students are engaged and working independently at their own reading level, freeing up teachers to focus personal attention where needed.
- Fits any teaching structure: This program is designed to fit into one-week lesson plans. It can be used as a daily reading center, guided reading in small groups, tier II or III interventions, or whole group instruction.
- Integrating multiple subjects: As kids improve reading skills, teachers can assign specific lessons to simultaneously incorporate science, history, or character building into daily reading lessons.
- Ignite self-learning: Music fused with reading increases engagement with text, and increases results.
- Personalized Learning: Teachers can check use and scores, automatically require students performing below proficiency levels to retake quizzes, send personal messages, assign lessons, and print or email data to parents.

18. How will this project be implemented?

This project will be implemented in elementary, special education, and title one classrooms.

19. What local support is there for this project?

- Local support for this project will be provided our administration, faculty, and staff at the school.

20. Who else in the community is working on this problem?

- All educators are working together to incorporate programs into our classrooms that will meet the needs of all learners.

21. How will you coordinate with others working on this problem?

- I will coordinate with the administrator and all staff members in the building that will be using the Lyrics2Learn program. I will make sure that everyone knows how to effectively incorporate the program into their classroom.

22. If awarded, how will the grant you are requesting be used?

The grant will be used to purchase the Lyrics2Learn program that will be used by our Kindergarten thru 5<sup>th</sup> grade classes.

23. Is there any additional information you would like to be considered in our determining whether to make this grant?

Thank you for giving us this opportunity. Several of the teachers in our building have used the free 6 week trial for the Lyrics2Learn program and we enjoy incorporating it into our classrooms.

Signature Joni Peterson Date 4-12-2018

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