

Grant Proposal Application

In order to best evaluate all community and building requests, the PAWS Board of Directors has prepared the attached proposal application. It is imperative that all items be answered completely with specific details listed where applicable. Those applications that **best** meet the criteria will have the greatest chance of being accepted. Only those proposals that have been presented in a professional manner shall be considered. Any application that is incomplete or unclear shall be returned. Please read through the application carefully in order to note specific requirements as well as changes from previous PAWS proposal applications.

The PAWS Board of Directors will carefully examine all requests and will make the ultimate decision on what programs or request will be funded. Every year the financial distribution plan will be re-evaluated, as will the criteria and proposal application. Thus, a request rejected this year may very well be accepted next year. Please note that due to the overwhelming amount of requests made to PAWS, and limited funds per building, PAWS encourages you to consider partial funding of a request. This will increase your chances of at least obtaining a portion of the amount you are seeking. Perhaps this will allow you to eventually obtain, in addition to your own additional classroom/building fundraising efforts, what you are requesting all the sooner.

Thank you for your interest and enthusiasm in applying for these funds. It is our intention to guarantee that the students of West Islip receive the best academic and extracurricular enhancements and we will do our very best to meet the needs requested in these applications.

- The deadline for proposal submittal to the PAWS Board of Directors is Friday, December 12, 2008. **Proposals received after this deadline will not be considered.**
- Mail proposal to Dr. Beth Virginia Blau, 100 Sherman Avenue, West Islip, NY 11795 by deadline date.
- Please be creative with your requests. If your idea meets the criteria outlined, there is a very good possibility that it may be funded. Unique programs which serve as an academic or cultural enrichment to students is a good example of something which would be looked upon favorably.
- Funding cannot be used to support teaching salaries; however we may consider partial funding for a special short-term project, which will require some financing in order for the teacher to implement the idea effectively.
- Based upon the cost of individual proposals and the present cycle of payment being made by PAWS, several proposals per building may actually be honored.
- Please feel free to speak to any PAWS board member about this process.

2. Why is this request necessary at this time?

3. If this request is granted how will it benefit the education of the students in your class (school)? If not granted, how will the education of those students be affected?

4. How many students will directly benefit from your request? List grade levels and/or special areas.

5. Besides your students, please describe who else will benefit from your request.

6. To the best of your knowledge, has your request ever been implemented in the past and/or presently no longer exists?

7. If you answered yes to number 6, please describe when it was implemented and why it no longer exists.

8. What is the cost of your request? Please break down request by dollar amount to the best of your ability. Attach appropriate documentation if applicable/available. Would you benefit from partial funding of this grant? _____ Yes _____ No.

9. What is the benefit of the implementation of your proposal plan(s) to the West Islip school community?

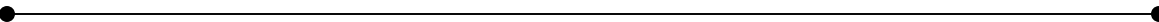
10. Additional comments are welcome.

Name: _____
(please print)

Signature of Applicant: _____

Signature of Department Head or Principal: _____

Today's Date: _____



PAWS (Partners Advancing West Islip Students), wishes to thank you for your continued interest. We appreciate your support of our fundraising efforts throughout the year as the revenue generated from these events is used to finance approved proposals.

We are committed to supporting those proposal plans, which serve to enhance and enrich the learning experiences of West Islip's children. This remains our primary focus. Please join us at upcoming PAWS events. We look forward to your enthusiasm and continued support.