

# LUNENBURGPTO REQUEST FOR FUNDING

APPLICATION MUST BE TYPED AND SUBMITTED BY EMAIL

- Please complete this form and email it to the Lunenburg PTO.

## APPLICANT INFORMATION

Applicant Name: Maggie Porpora

Position: Occupational Therapist

School: Primary School

Contact Phone Number: 978-582-4122 x3107

## PROJECT INFORMATION

Project Title: Sensory Motor Skill Development

Amount Requested \$ 200.00

Project Start/End Dates: March to ongoing

1. Project Description: Summarize the proposed project in the space provided. Describe who is the target audience; what will happen; when and where it will occur; and how the project will be executed. NOTE: You may provide additional narrative on a separate sheet of paper, but you *must* summarize the project here. Your answer in the space below may not exceed 750 characters.

The project will support the curriculum in the preschool through second grade. The Primary School has adopted the Handwriting Without Tears handwriting curriculum in our preschool and kindergarten class this year. The plan is to phase in the program into first grade next year and second grade the following year so the entire Primary School will be immersed in the Handwriting Without Tears program. A big component of this program is hand skill development especially at the preschool and kindergarten level. The handwriting program advocates for short pencils and crayons for hand skill development so the student will hold his writing tool close to the tip for a better grasp. The current pencils from the Handwriting Without Tears program are not good quality and we are looking to replace them with golf pencils with or without an eraser. In addition we would like to supply our preschool with smaller scissors so they can practice snipping and cutting with paper at 3 and 4 years old. We are also requesting theraband which is a stretchy- like, rubberband material that we can use for arm/hand strengthening or placing on the bottom of chairs for sensory input during a seated task.

2. Describe the planning process for this project. What individuals and organizations have been involved as partners and/or advisors? How would partial funding impact this project? Your answer in the space below may not exceed 500 characters.

This therapist met with the preschool and kindergarten teachers and discussed a need for smaller scissors and pencils to be used in the classroom and during therapy sessions. Theraband is a sensory strategy that we use with students who need input while working at their desk in the classroom.

2. Explain how this project will reach and benefit the students of your school. How will you know the project is successful? Your answer in the space below may not exceed 500 characters.

The project will reach students at the younger grade levels and help them to develop the hand skills necessary for appropriate pencil grasp and scissor skills necessary for writing in the classroom. Theraband is a strategy that helps students focus while working in the classroom.

Signature

Title

Date

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Amount Approved	Signature of PTO Representative	Title	Date
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