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To Whom it May Concern:

Below is the school plan for the Mountainville Academy 2008-2009 School LAND Trust program. These funds have facilitated tremendous improvement to our academic program this year and our new needs this year are specifically in the areas of reading, fine arts, science and social studies.

Our greatest need for next year is additional textbooks. In addition we would like to add a set of Orff Instruments for our music classes. This will greatly enhance our music program from technical to tactile. This need was expressed by a number of teachers, parents and students as surveyed at the end of the school year. The requested amount is \$28,808 as well as the carry over from last year (\$6,364.44) for a total of \$35,172.44.

1. \$4300 is requested for approximately 625 novels for the 6 new novel classes that are being added to the curriculum.
2. \$3000 is requested for 50 new history textbooks. Currently the students are required to share textbooks for work done in and out of the classroom. Allowing the students to care for their own textbooks will enhance the effectiveness of the learning time allocated and projects completed.
3. \$17,000 is requested for 25 new science textbooks, each of which are a set of 8. Again, currently the students are required to share textbooks for work done in and out of the classroom. Allowing the students to care for their own textbooks will enhance the effectiveness of the learning time allocated and projects completed.
4. \$6000 is requested for a full set of Orff Instruments. Using Orff Instruments (tone bar instruments) is part of an entire learning approach at Mountainville Academy. The instruments all possess unique timbres, which make all parts clear and well defined. Their use helps children become sensitive listeners and considerate participants as they play together in an ensemble. Used as a large group, the teacher can create an orchestra. Used as a small group, it can become accompaniment for storytelling and movement.
5. The balance of \$4872.44 will be used for a part-time music assistant to allow more music classes and more individual teaching.

We are incredibly grateful for the School LAND Trust program and all that it has provided our students this year. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or for additional information.

Respectfully,

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