Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities Supplemental Grant Summary

Grant Overview: The Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities (SDFSC) grant is used to establish, operate, and improve local programs of school drug and violence prevention and early intervention. Grant monies may also be used to provide technical assistance, conduct training, demonstrations, evaluations supplementary services, community-wide drug and violence prevention planning, and organizing activities for the prevention of drug use and violence among students and youth.

The Warren County School District is currently using the grant to fund the Student Assistance Program in district schools, and provide support to existing Olweus Bullying Prevention programs in four district schools.

The district contact for the SDFSC grant has informed us that there may be additional funds available for districts with worthwhile projects. The administration would like to apply for some of these funds to establish an Elementary Student Assistance Program (ESAP) in one or more buildings in the district. ESAP would operate in much the safe fashion as the existing SAP program. Costs covered by the supplemental funds would include training, substitute time (if training has to happen during school hours), and an ESAP liaison for approximately 2 days per week.

Amount of Award: The actual amount to be requested has not been finalized. The administration would build a proposal that covers the costs for the services listed above. Current estimates would be approximately

Due Date/Notification of Award: The application for supplemental SDFSC funding has no specific due date. Once submitted, the district expects to hear an approval or denial within 1-2 months.

Alternatives if not Awarded: As supplemental funding, any available monies will be awarded on the merit of the proposal and a first come, first served basis. If not funded, the district will consider other ways in which an ESAP program might be established.

WCSD Resources Required: Training on ESAP will be necessary, but the intent is to write training and other related costs into the supplemental request. ESAP team meetings would be required, as is the case with SAP.

Administrative Recommendation: The administration supports establishing an ESAP program to provide services similar to what is offered through SAP.