## ING Unsung Heroes – Rewarding Excellence in America's Schools Summary

<u>Grant Overview</u>: The ING Unsung Heroes program awards grants to K-12 educators who propose using new teaching methods and techniques that improve learning.

Interested educators submit an application by describing a project they have started, or would like to pursue. ING scores each submission based on its innovation, creativity, and ability to positively influence students. One hundred (100) finalists are then awarded \$2,000 grants towards the submitted project.

Of the one hundred finalists, another three are selected to receive first- through thirdplace awards of \$5,000, \$10,000, or \$25,000.

Amount of Award: \$2,000.00 maximum.

Due Date/Notification of Award: Due April 30, 2013. Notification by the fall of 2013.

<u>Alternatives if not Awarded</u>: The proposed project will not occur without the requested funding.

WCSD Resources Required: None.

<u>Administrative Recommendation</u>: That the Board of School Directors instructs the administration to publicize the ING Unsung Heroes program to all district teachers and assist with the development and submission of eligible proposals.