## **Pets in the Classroom Grant Summary**

<u>Grant Overview</u>: Pets in the Classroom grants are offered to Pre-Kindergarten through Eighth grade classes only in both public and private schools. There are eight types of grant:

- 1. Rebate Grants in the amounts of \$75 (for small animal or birds) or \$125 (for reptiles or fish) for purchases at pet store, (excludes: PETCO, PETSMART, PET SUPERMARKET, PETLAND DISCOUNTS, PETLAND, AND PET SUPPLIES PLUS);
- 2. Sustaining Grant in the amount of \$50 to maintain an existing classroom pet;
- 3. Petco Grant, which provides coupons for the live animal, pet habitat and supplies purchased at Petco;
- 4. Petsmart Grant, which provides coupons for the live animal, pet habitat and supplies purchased at Petsmart;
- 5. Pet Supermarket Grant, which provides coupons for live animal and pet supplies purchased at Pet Supermarket.
- 6. Pet Supplies Plus Grant, which provides coupons for live animal and supplies purchased at Pet Supplies Plus Stores;
- 7. Petland Discounts Grant, which provides coupons for live animal and supplies purchased at Petland Discounts Stores, and
- 8. Petland Grant, which provides coupons for live animal and supplies purchased at Petland Stores.

These grants are intended to support pets or aquariums in the classroom for the purposes of teaching children to bond with and care for their pets responsibly. The welfare of the small animals involved is of paramount importance. These grants must not be used for the purposes of research or experiments of any kind.

Amount of Award: Varying amounts and/or vouchers and coupons.

<u>Due Date/Notification of Award</u>: Upon review by the funder.

<u>Alternatives if not Awarded</u>: The instructor will have to find alternate means of funding the pet.

WCSD Resources Required: None.

<u>Administrative Recommendation</u>: That the Board of School Directors instructs the administration to assist interested teachers in submitting an application to the Pets in the Classroom Grant.