Weaving Equipment for the Learning Enrichment Center

<u>Grant Overview</u>: The Learning Enrichment Center would like to request a grant from the Community Foundation of Warren County to purchase three (3) table looms and six (6) steel reeds. The proposed equipment would be used to promote and enhance an interest among LEC students in weaving and fiber arts.

The origin of this interest is from an artist-in-residency program at the LEC in 2006-07, which resulted in community members in assisting with weaving and fiber-art related activities. To date, projects in this area have taken place using three LEC looms that are in various states of repair, as well as some borrowed equipment from community members.

If awarded, the new equipment would be used by students in the gifted support program as part of a weekly program to develop skills in weaving, research into the development of weaving through history, and an application of what has been learned by the students into their own weaving projects.

Amount of Award: \$1,833.00

<u>Due Date/Notification of Award</u>: Submission to the Community Foundation upon WCSD Board approval; notification from the Foundation possibly within a month after submission.

<u>Alternatives if not Awarded</u>: projects would use LEC equipment and continue to rely on borrowed equipment as necessary (and available).

WCSD Resources Required: None.

<u>Administrative Recommendation</u>: That the Board of School Directors instructs the administration to apply for a grant of \$1,883 from the Community Foundation of Warren County to purchase weaving equipment to support programming in weaving and fiber arts.