Committee # 1

Student Technology Fee Grant Funding Request Form Northwestern State University of Louisiana

2006.010

Prepared by:	Juanita Darby	Departs	ment	Math	
College or Unit: _	<u>Math</u>	Campus:	Leesvill	e/Fort Polk	
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1. Describe target audience. (0 points)

All students enrolled on the NSU Leesville/Fort Polk campus, but especially those in core Math courses and all other classes that are scheduled into room 1 on the Leesville campus. NSU – Leesville/Fort Polk averages around 900 students during the Fall and the Spring semesters and about 400 during the Summer semester. Approximately 60-70% of the students are civilian, 20-30% are military family members, and 10% are active duty military. Classes are scheduled Monday – Saturday and night classes are scheduled Monday–Thursday to accommodate student needs.

Approximately 400 students enroll in Math 1020 each year. Approximately 250 students enroll in Math 1060 each year. Approximately 25 students enroll in Math 2010 each year. Approximately 20 students enroll in Math 1090 each year.

This would impact approximately 700 students enrolled in core math courses each year. This would also impact additional classes scheduled into classroom 1 and other classroom since this equipment will be mobile. Classroom 1 has 60 seats and can have 7 class meetings per day so potentially 420 students would benefit daily from this equipment.

2. Describe project/initiative for which you are requesting funds. (10 points)

To create a smart classroom on the NSU Leesville campus in room 1.

To purchase a sympodium, computer, presentation projector, large screen, VCR, TI-84 Plus Silver Edition with connectivity kit, and a locking cabinet to secure this equipment in room 1.

3. State measurable objectives that will be used to determine the impact/effectiveness of the project. (10 points)

To provide technology that will enhance the presentation of instruction for math classes by

- using color on the coordinate plane
- Excel spreadsheets
- Emulation of the TI-84 Calculator
- Split screen visualization of material
- Capability of demonstrating and using internet sources in the classroom.

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To improve the understanding of the math concepts presented using the sympodium, computer, TI-84 calculator, and presentation projector on the large screen.

This would impact approximately 700 students enrolled in math each year and additional students scheduled into this classroom.

4. Indicate how each project objective will be evaluated. (10 points)

Students meeting in this classroom will complete a survey:

- · Evaluating the equipment in this room,
- Comparing their understanding of math concepts presented with this new technology to previous methods i.e. chalkboard/whiteboard and overheads.

Instructors using equipment in this room will complete a survey:

- Evaluating the equipment in this room,
- Comparing their opinion of student understanding of concepts presented with this new technology to previous methods i.e. chalkboard/whiteboard and overheads.

5. Provide a justification for funding of the project. Estimate the number of students that will be served per academic year and in what ways. Please indicate also any unique needs of the target group. (10 points)

The SMART Expression 503 Multimedia Cabinet is an interactive lectern that links the computer to the projector and allows the students to view the computer monitor. This cabinet contains a Sympodium which has an interactive console with a stylus and touch screen. The instructor simply touches the screen to control applications and write electronically on the touch screen allowing students to easily follow along with the lecture.

This technology will improve the clarity of math concepts by the use of color and side-by-side views of the problem and the calculator. Presentation of math instruction will be enhanced by the drawing capabilities of the Sympodium. Steps used to solve equations can be recorded, saved to a file, and presented as a video.

This technology will enhance the presentation of math instruction by

- the use of color on the coordinate plane,
- · the ability to view and write electronically on worksheets and SMART notebook,
- split screen visualization of material on the calculator and the worksheets,
- capability of demonstrating and using internet sources in the classroom.

6. How will funding of the project advance the University and College / unit technology plan? Which NSTEP objective/s will this funding benefit? (15 points)

NSTEPS Objective 1: To improve access to technology by students, faculty, and staff at NSU.

NSTEPS Objective 2: To provide classrooms with updated technology and multimedia.

7. List those individuals who will be responsible for the implementation of the project/initiative and indicate their demonstrated abilities to accomplish the objectives of the project. (0 points)

Tommy Tilley, Senior User Support Specialist, will coordinate the installation and setup of the classrooms with the Office of Student Technology.

8. Describe any personnel (technical or otherwise) required to support the project/initiative. (5 points)

Tommy Tilley, Senior User Support Specialist, and the Office of Student Technology will work together to support this equipment.

All rooms on the Leesville campus are wired for internet access so wiring is not necessary.

9. Provide a schedule for implementation and evaluation. (5 points)

Equipment will be ordered in December and arrive by the end of February. During the spring 2006, the equipment will be installed in the classrooms and tested. Instructors will begin using the equipment after the installation is complete.

Evaluation will be done by surveys to students and instructors at the end of the semester.

10. Estimate the expected life of hardware and software. Explain any anticipated equipment/software upgrades during the next five years. (0 points)

Any upgrades in SMART software can be downloaded from the website.

The SMART Sympodium is expected to last from 5-10 years if used properly.

The life of the computer is five years.

The life of the calculator is 3-5 years. The TI-84 Plus Silver Edition is up gradable; therefore, it should be useful for 3-5 years even if newer versions become available.

VCR/DVD player has a life of 5 years.

Large screen should last 10-15 years.

11. Explain in detail a plan and policy that will be in place to ensure property security/controls for any equipment received. Equipment will not be purchased until an acceptable policy is in place to ensure equipment security. (15 points)

Projector and screen will be mounted in the classroom. The sympodium and computer will be secured in a locked cabinet. (see attached view) The keys will be controlled under the NSU Leesville/Fort Polk Key Control Policy.

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12. Attach a detailed budget, including: specs., description, cost, state contract number, and vendor for each item; cost of outside support personnel; and a description of how the proposal will support University/College/unit resources (i.e., cash match, funds from other sources, or reallocation of existing hardware/software or other equipment. (20 points)

See Attached for details and descriptions.

BUDGET

2.	SMART Expression 503 Multimedia Cabinet with specified equipment listed in quote # 2139 View Screen Package, TI-84 Plus	Detel Computer Solutions 10434 Plaza Americana Baton Rouge, LA 70816 Campus Corner, Inc.	\$ 9532.95 \$ 416.50	
emplantes.	Teacher's Silver Ed.	912 University Pkwy. Natchitoches, LA 71457 Total Cost	\$9949.45	

The SMARTer Kids Foundation provides the following Grants and programs to eligible higher education schools and learning institutions. Once you receive the grant you have 60 days to purchase the products from a reseller at the discounted price. This is an incentive plan offered by SMART, Inc. to give a discount of \$1250 to the school purchasing their products. Detel Computer Solutions assures me that this will not be a problem.

With the SMARTer Kids Grant applied:

Estimated Cost per Student per year:

\$9949.45/700 = \$14.21 per student

This estimate is based on 700 math students. Other classes will be scheduled to use this equipment. At this time it is uncertain the additional number of students that will be impacted from this equipment. This classroom seat 60 students and has the potential to impact 420 students daily.

13. Attach a letter of support for the project signed by the requesting unit's Dean, the appropriate Vice President (for non-academic units), or the SGA President from the requesting campus (for student requests). (0 points)

Student Technology Fee Grant Proposal 2005-06

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October 20, 2005

Student Technology Fee Grant Selection Committee

Dear Committee:

Please know that I fully support the Student Technology Fee grant proposal submitted by Ms. Juanita Darby to create a smart classroom on the Leesville Campus. Studies show that students learn through various modes on instruction and that the use of technology is a good method to reach more learning styles. Methods on instruction impossible for teachers to use without technology become not only possible, but convenient with the proper equipment.

Focusing this technology on mathematics instruction is desired because of the tremendous impact this discipline has on the quality of student life. Since approximately 700 students take mathematics on this campus every year, the impact on students would be considerable.

At a cost of less than \$15 per student per year, the cost effectiveness of the proposal is certainly an attractive plus. Equipping a smart classroom for this campus would be a wise use of Student Technology Fees. Please consider this proposal positively.

Sincerely,

Larry E. Monk, E. Ed.

Executive Director, NSU-Leesville/Fort Polk

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October 19, 2005

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To:

Juanita Darby

Leesville, LA

From: Jill Hightower

Campus Corner, Inc. 912 University Pkwy. Natchitoches, LA 71457

Re: Quote

View Screen Package, TI-84 Plus Teacher's Silver Edition: 396.50 Shipping and Handling 20.00

Total

416.50

Thanks, Jill Hightower

SNART Expression 503

Mobile Multimedia Cabinet

Simplicity

Access all multimedia equipment from a single location.

Mobility

Move your multimedia system from room to room.

Connectivity

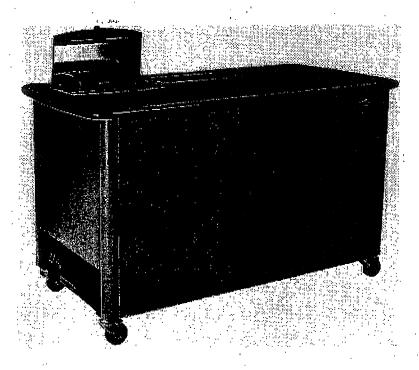
Add a laptop and instantly control all peripherals.

Security

Lock the cabinet door and mirror flap to secure your equipment.

Flexibility

Choose the presentation tools that meet your needs.

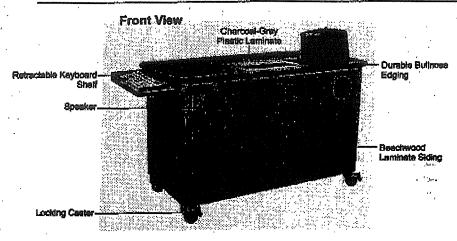


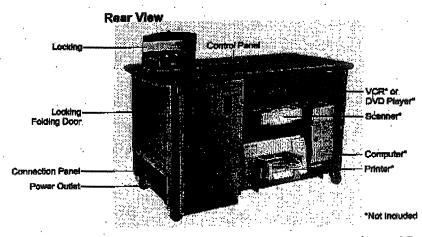
The Expression 503 mobile multimedia cabinet seamlessly integrates your choice of equipment in a secure, attractive unit. The 503 comes with installed cabling and a connection panel to simply add a computer, VCR or DVD player, printer and scanner. A projector cavity reduces projector noise while the adjustable mirror system reduces the distance to the projected image. A control panel with retractable cables, conveniently located on the top of the cabinet, allows you to quickly connect a laptop and control all peripherals.

With the SMART Expression cabinet, multimedia tools are housed in a single location that you can move from room to room as needed. Key locks on the door and mirror flap ensure that your valuable equipment is secure. You choose the multimedia tools you want and have them all ready to go at the flip of a switch, every time.

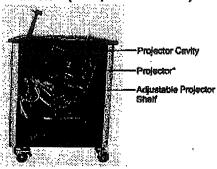


Features





Side View (side panel removed)



Audio System - Incorporates two 15-watt speakers, an amplifier and a two-source more

SMART X-Port* 10 Multimedia Switch – Toggles serial data, computer video and audio between the Internal computer and teptop

Control Panel - Includes the power switch, volume control and retractable cabling to connect a laptop

Connection Panel - Connects a SMART Board** Interactive whiteboard, external monitor, network, external audio system and modem

Key Locks -- Lock door and mirror flap

Paripheral Shelves - Comes with one large pull-out, one large fixed and two small flood shelves, which adjust easily to fit a variety of computers and peripherals

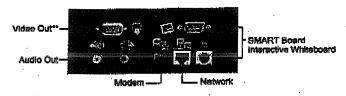
Casters - Roll easily over carpet or tile and lock to secure cabinet in place

Options

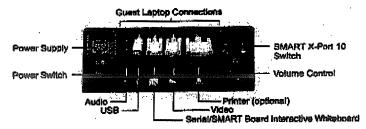
- Custom finishes
- Conversion kit for Macintosh computers with printer, video and serial adapters
- Multiple SMART Board Interactive whiteboard

Connection Panel

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Control Panel



Dimensions

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January 6, 2005

Ms. Juanita Darby Northwestern State University 3329 University Parkway Leesville, LA 71446

Dear Ms. Darby,

It is with pleasure that the STAT (Student Technology Advisory Team) has fully funded your grant proposal for Fiscal Year 2005-06 in the amount of \$9,949.45.

Ordering of equipment listed in the grant proposal will take place during the month of January.

Please be reminded that your grant was funded through Northwestern Student Technology Fees, all equipment purchased, therefore, must be used exclusively and directly for/by Northwestern students.

You are commended for, and encouraged to continue your efforts to enrich the learning environment for students at Northwestern State University. Your time, effort, and vision in service of the students are greatly appreciated. If you have questions or need additional information please contact me by phone or via email at: long@nsula.edu.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Long

Student Technology Fee

cc: Dr. Austin Temple