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Dear Edgefield School Foundation,

I would like to express my gratitude to the members of the FPSEC committee for funding my grant for the 2023-2024 school year. I'm excited to summarize how the grant has enhanced the learning experiences in my classroom.

The materials purchased have allowed students the opportunity to break apart and complete literacy activities independently while working on reading skills. I choose games and activities to help students expand on strategies that have been taught during whole class and small group instruction. This allowed them to later practice these skills independently. They use materials that are differentiated in order to reach the various learning levels of my learners.

Students enjoy these centers and love playing "games" in the classroom. They are able to work alone or collaboratively. The activities are periodically changed to help enhance skills identified by diagnostic testing and state standards. They have motivated students to be engaged in reading instruction while building confidence and independence.

Probably one of the most exciting things that I can report is that my class has grown as readers. Their recent i-Ready Diagnostic Testing reveals that their progress towards annual typical growth is at 153%. I believe that allowing students to collaborate with others and move around the classroom fosters independence. They are truly flourishing as independent readers.

Sincerely,

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