THE PELHAM EDUCATION FOUNDATION

CRITERIA FOR EVALUATION OF MINI-GRANT PROPOSALS

I. Requirements

- 1. Must meet all of the following criteria:
 - a. Primary purpose is the enhancement of the educational experience of Pelham students
 - b. Supports existing District strategic goals
 - c. Does not fund teaching staff base salaries or Operations and Maintenance (O&M) items
- 2. Must qualify under the following mission statement:

The Pelham Education Foundation, Inc. seeks to enhance the quality of public education in Pelham with the help of educators, citizens, parents, students, alumni, businesses and foundations. We fund educational programs that are outside the annual school budget and award grants for projects that:

- Strengthen and enrich the curriculum by helping to develop and promote innovative programs.
- Support additional faculty training and resources.
- Provide funding for special school facilities and equipment.

II. Preferences

- 1. One time capital commitment or seed money
- 2. Innovative initiative
- 3. Broad reach (across or within schools, departments, student populations, etc., significant number of students affected over time)
- 4. Funding has been requested but is unavailable from District
- 5. Considered a priority by the District administration
- 6. Can be accommodated given current space constraints at school facilities
- 7. Consistent with funding area priorities identified in the Foundation's strategic plan:

Elementary	Core Curriculum, Programs in the Arts, Educational Technology, Programs for Students with Special Needs, Programs for Gifted Students, Foreign Language
Middle	Core Curriculum, Educational Technology, Enhanced Wellness, Programs in the Arts, Programs for Gifted Students, Enhanced Extracurricular Opportunities
High School	Core Curriculum, Educational Technology, Programs in the Arts, Programs for Students with Special Needs, Specialized Facilities (primarily Information Center), College and Career Counseling Services