

Melrose Elementary Awarded Grant from Prairie Lakes Coop



L to R: Mr. Greg Seawell, Melrose Elementary Principal, Ms. Jan Heilig, 3rd Grade Instructor, Pam Loehr, Prairie Lakes Coop Elrosa.

Thursday, March 04, 2010–Elrosa, Minn. – Students in the Ms. Jan Heilig’s class will soon have new technology in their classroom, a SMART Board. Melrose Elementary was awarded a \$500 grant from Prairie Lakes Coop towards their objective of purchasing a SMART Board for a third grade classroom.

In the application submitted by Melrose Elementary, they shared their goal to outfit each elementary classroom in these interactive whiteboards or SMART Boards. Research indicates that interactive whiteboards have a positive impact on the attention, attitude and motivation of all students and produces a “community of learning” in the classroom.

Applying schools and their organizations have to indicate their plans for the grant money, supply general information about the schools/organizations, project, and purpose of the request, along with specific financial needs and projected outcomes. Applications can be found online at www.prairielakescoop.com.

“We are very pleased to be able to support the Melrose Elementary School who is building America’s bright future through the education of our talented area youth,” commented Randy Anderson, Prairie Lakes Coop Elrosa Location Manager.

Prairie Lakes Coop awarded this \$500 grant to the Melrose Elementary on behalf of its local member owners. Prairie Lakes Coop (prairielakescoop.com), a CHS Service Center, provides products and services in the agronomy, energy, and grain markets to meet the needs of its patrons. Prairie Lakes Coop has locations in the communities of Cyrus, Hoffman, Elrosa, Lowry, Long Prairie, Park Rapids, Glenwood and Starbuck creating relationships with customers in agronomy inputs, propane, fuel, and grain marketing.