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Dear Educator,

Goldenrod Research, creator of the YouthTouch Technology Integration System for elementary students, is pleased to announce its 2008-2009 YouthTouch grant competition. The grant competition provides a means to integrate hands-on robotics and fluid power technology into elementary classrooms in an affordable way. Goldenrod will award 1:1 matching grants for use toward the purchase of YouthTouch. In exchange, the schools selected agree to serve as YouthTouch referral sites.

YouthTouch generates excitement in the classroom while complementing -not replacing- your existing curriculum. Each school selected will receive all the tools necessary to provide 3rd through 8th grade students with hands-on technology learning experiences designed to impart a firm comprehension of ratios, estimating, coordinates, graphing, plus over 100 other concepts integrating Math, Science, Language Arts, and Social Studies through technology. The comprehensive package includes equipment, accessories, instructional materials and staff development. YouthTouch activities are mapped to the US curriculum standards, and they emphasize critical thinking, problem solving and teamwork. Best of all, kids love YouthTouch.

Since 1997, we have offered our grant in order to become involved with the most progressive elementary schools. Approximately 170 YouthTouch installations within the US are previous grant recipients. We are pleased once again to offer this grant program to benefit students and expand our strong referral base.

Applications are currently being accepted. The deadline is December 15th. The grant application is not elaborate, and Goldenrod staff is happy to advise you during your writing process. We welcome applications from schools of all types and affiliations, as well as from other educational organizations and museums.

The grant provides half the cost of purchasing the YouthTouch system. Goldenrod will grant \$9,500 to awardees, who must provide the other half as their match. We want you to know that Goldenrod regularly works with awardees to coordinate funding from another source to provide their match and cooperates with school awardees to accommodate their special situations. Please do not let financial issues alone deter you from applying, if you are strongly interested.

If YouthTouch would enhance your elementary program by engaging your students in more active hands-on learning, and you have a desire to increase your school's visibility by becoming a referral site, please request a complete information packet and an application. To submit your request for the information/application packet electronically, please click here: <http://www.goldenrodresearch.com/responsepage.aspx>

A complete YouthTouch information package will be sent to you promptly.

If you have any questions, please contact me personally.

I hope to hear from you.

Sincerely,

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