**To: Gallatin County Lower Elem. SBDM & Gallatin County Board of Education**

**From: Joe Wright, principal; Bonnie Humphries, Math Specialist; Laura Hartke, 2nd grade Teacher Gallatin County Lower Elem. School**

The Kentucky Council for Teachers of Mathematics is offering a $1000.00 grant to encourage and support the efforts of classroom teachers in the development and implementation of innovative teaching strategies in the field of mathematics to be submitted by July 1, 2012.

Mrs. Hartke and I have attended several workshops through the Kentucky Center of Mathematics involving the use of Mathracks as concrete models when teaching students to fluently add and subtract in the range of 1-20 before exiting primary.

This monies from this grant would provide us with 177 durable mathracks teachers may use during small or whole class numeracy instruction.