



Memorandum

Date: May 5, 2026
To: Board of Directors of the Pendleton School District 16R
From: Matt Yoshioka, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment
Subject: Social Sciences Curriculum Adoption Recommendation

Information:

Each adoption cycle, the Oregon Department of Education accepts programs from curriculum companies for consideration for the ODE approved list of curriculums school districts may choose from. Teacher committees met this school year to review the approved ODE programs and make their recommendations as to which programs they would like to adopt. The recommendations come directly from the teacher committees.

Recommendation:

Grade K: No adoption at this time. State standards around Social Sciences at the kindergarten level are met through the health curriculum, social lessons from teachers, and other lessons taught by the Child Development Specialist. Social Sciences are taught through cross curricular means via reading, art, science, and math lessons.

Grades 1-5: **Social Studies Essentials by Discovery Education** (not on ODE approved list of approved programs. Company never submitted their program for consideration. This would be an independent adoption).

Grades 6-8: **myWorld Interactive by SAVVAS** (on ODE approved list of programs that “Meet” all requirements)

Grades 9-12: **Oregon Civics by McGraw Hill** (on ODE approved list of programs that “Meet” all requirements)

*No adoption for US History or World History. Teachers will continue to use previous adoption from 2019 from McGraw Hill which is one the ODE approved list of programs.



Motion: I move that the Social Sciences curriculum adoption recommendation for the 2026-2033 school years be approved as presented.

Motion for Approval:

Made by _____ Seconded by _____

Motion for Rejection:

Made by _____ Seconded by _____

Motion for Further Consideration:

Made by _____ Seconded by _____