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BOARD AGENDA ITEM

ITEM NO: 3.7

BOARD MEETING DATE: Tuesday, October 14, 2025

CONSENT AGENDA ITEM: Approval of Addition and Removal of Core and

Supplemental Textbooks and Resources

SUBMITTED BY: Sheryl Castro, Executive Director of Curriculum

and Assessment

PRESENTED BY: Sheryl Castro, Executive Director of Curriculum

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Presented for the governing board's approval is the list of core and supplemental textbooks and resources that have been on display for public review and comments for sixty (60) days. Pursuant to ARS 15-721 and 15-722, the governing board must approve core and supplemental instructional materials/resources for educational courses.

The list presented includes a variety of supplemental resources that will support learning in English language arts (ELA), science, social studies, and world languages classrooms. The only core resource presented is *Econiful*: Empowering Economic Thinkers which is replacing the Choices Program, a resource that is no longer available for purchase. Econiful is currently approved as a supplemental resource for high school Economics (grade 12). It was selected as a core resource because it is aligned with District standards, emphasizes real-world applications of economic principles, and promotes critical thinking and decision-making skills. Its inquiry-based approach also supports our district's goal of preparing students to be informed, responsible, and empowered economic thinkers.

To support the District's AI implementation plan, we are presenting several resources that align with our goal of fostering responsible and effective use of AI in classrooms while supporting engagement, creativity, and skill development:

- *MediaWise A.I. Unlocked Series* This resource offers students and educators practical guidance on understanding, using, and evaluating AI tools responsibly. This resource will be used in our ELA and Social Studies classrooms as teachers design and deliver lessons that support the effective and responsible use of AI.
- Canva for Education Canva provides AI-powered features for students and teachers such as Magic Write and text-to-image generation to support creative projects, lesson planning, and instructional design.
- Wordwall This tool includes AI-assisted activity creation, helping educators efficiently develop interactive exercises and assessments tailored to student needs.
- Revision History Chrome Extension Although this monitoring tool is not AI-powered, teachers will use it to track students' writing processes in Google Docs, detect AI usage, and guide meaningful revisions.

We also request that the board approve the removal of the resources listed on the last page of the document. The *Choices Program* is no longer available for purchase, and the *Docudrama Films* resource is no longer used in high school English classes.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: I move the governing board approve the addition of the core and supplemental textbooks and resources for the elementary, middle, and high school levels, and the removal of the core and supplemental resources, as presented.