



Executive Summary Finance Committee Meeting

DATE: January 20, 2022

TOPIC: Learning A-Z / Vocabulary A-Z Renewal and Alignment

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Recommended for:

- Action
- Discussion
- Information

Purpose/Background:

Vocabulary A-Z is a product that is a tool produced by the Learning A-Z Company creators Raz-Kids, Reading A-Z which are used in all schools across the District. The resources within Vocabulary A-Z provide teachers with pre-made and customizable vocabulary lessons that seamlessly connect instruction to a current topic of study. Teachers can assign lessons to students for online independent practice as well as differentiated instruction to help raise student achievement.

Originally, Lincolnwood School District 74 had a subscription to this service under the title "VocabCity". Recently Learning A-Z purchased that company and integrated the content into their product line up. Our initial subscription to this service was based upon 96 classroom users. After conferring with the staff and the Learning A-Z Company, we were provided with a quote that extends our usage through the remainder of the school year, and aligns the end date with our other Learning A-Z products.

District Legal Counsel reviewed the Terms and Conditions and Privacy Policy and presented the vendor with our standard Amendment. Counsel and the vendor are still in the process of working though the final terms of that and/or will use an Exhibit E to cover SOPPA compliance and feel confident that we will have this completed prior to the BOE meeting, but recommended that we present this to the Finance committee.

Fiscal Impact:

\$ 2,756.25 for the use of Vocabulary A-Z for 45 classrooms, covering students and teachers in both Todd and Rutledge Hall from January 11, 2022 to August 7 2022. (Based upon past receipts, the District paid Learning A-Z the equivalent of \$8,610.00 in 2021-2022 for Vocab City Licensing)

Recommendation:

It is the Administrative recommendation that the Finance Committee concurs to recommend to the Board of Education to approve the Renewal for Vocabulary A-Z in the amount of \$2,756.25 from January 11, 2022 to August 7, 2022.