



NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Qaiyaan Harcharek, President
Members of the School Board

THROUGH: Rich Carlson, Interim Superintendent

THROUGH: Fadil Limani, Chief Financial Officer

FROM: Liz Noble, Director of Curriculum & Instruction

DATE: August 5, 2021

SUBJECT: Contracts over \$10K-Imagine Learning

Memo No: SB22- 010
(Action Item)

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2020-2025 STRATEGIC PLAN SUMMARY

1.0 STUDENT SUCCESS: All students will reach their intellectual potential and achieve academic success through integrating Inupiaq knowledge systems into the core content areas and focusing on the development of the Whole Child.

4.0 FINANCIAL & OPERATIONAL STEWARDSHIP: Effectively employ our operational and financial resources to support our strategic goals and long-term stability of the district.

4.2 FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP/MANAGEMENT: Ensure financial management based on what is best for our students.

4.5 TECHNOLOGY: Leverage technology as a tool to facilitate learning, communication and collaboration.

Issue Summary:

In accordance with applicable Board policy, contracts and MOA's \$10,000 or greater require Board approval.

Background:

Imagine Learning Literacy was board approved as an intervention resource in April 2020 following the SY18-19 pilot. Imagine Language & Literacy is an adaptive learning solution that accelerates reading and language proficiency for students in grades PreK–6. Designed to supplement core literacy instruction, Imagine Language & Literacy provides instruction and practice in all four domains of literacy—reading, writing, listening, and speaking.

Imagine Learning supports the development of both oral and academic language, which are essential to literacy. Through a systematic approach to vocabulary, grammar, and language conventions, Imagine Language & Literacy explicitly teaches students the skills that are critical to reading comprehension and language proficiency.

One hundred and eighty one students participated, district wide, during SY20-21. Of those identified students, we started the year with 3% above grade level and ended the year with 7% above grade level. 13% started the year on grade level, which increased to 14% on grade level.

Imagine Learning also provided media boosters, free of charge, to support bandwidth challenges during COVID. Unfortunately, only one booster was installed by the end of the school year however, additional media boosters are now installed to support student learning for SY21-22 in Point Lay, Kaktovik, Ipalook Elementary, Nunamiut, Atqasuk, Nuiqsut, Point Hope, and Wainwright.

Length of Contract:

Annual subscription for Imagine Learning runs from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

Funding Source and Purchase/Contract Amount:

Funding source for SY21-22 is 100.200.351.000.450 for \$72,000.00.

Available Budget:

Current Available Budget. \$3,793.66. Available Budget After BLT \$28,793.66. In addition, there is a Pre-Encumbrance of \$67,000.00 in Tyler for the associated subscription renewal.

Budget Line Transfer:

See attached BLT worksheet.

Grant Funding:

N/A

Compliance with BP 3311.

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Proposed Motion:

"I move that the NSBSD Board of Education approve the above \$10,000 and greater proposals and related contract with Imagine Learning, in an amount not to exceed \$72,000.00 as described in this memo and related attachments."

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____

Vote _____