

NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT:	Imagine Learning Literacy	Memo No: SB20-242 Action Item
DATE:	May 1, 2020	
FROM:	Liz Noble, Director of Curriculum and Instruction	
THROUGH:	Ronnie Stanford, Assistant Superintendent	
THROUGH:	Pauline Harvey, Superintendent	
TO:	Roxanne Brower, President Members of the School Board	

NSBSD Strategic Plan Goal:

1. Academic Success/Whole Child: 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.

Issue Summary:

Imagine Learning was a Superintendent initiative to support English Language Learners in the area of Literacy. Imagine Learning provides development of both oral and academic language that 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, empowering them to unlock learning across all subject areas.

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 Learning Literacy provides instruction and practice in all four domains of literacy—reading, writing, listening, and speaking.

Background:

In March of 2019 Imagine Learning was introduced, as a Superintendent initiative, to provide additional support for English Language Learners in the area of Literacy. This initiative occurred from March 2019 to current at Ipalook Elementary.

Data:

JMMARY				LESSONS PASSED	
100%		Year Start	Current		
75%	ABOVE 3% increase	15%	18%	86% 40/46 Average Lessons Pass	
50%	ON LEVEL 9% increase	15%	24%		
	● 1 BELOW			LESSONS PASSED BY CURRICU	
25%	4% decrease	40%	36%	Literacy	83
				Grammar	93
0%	2+ BELOW 9% decrease	30%	21%	Oral Vocabulary	85
Year Start Curre	ent				

Teacher feedback:

"I used Imagine Literacy this year at Ipalook and found it to be very beneficial. It's particularly helpful when the teacher is working with a small group and you can have other kids working on Imagine Literacy- it keeps them engaged and working during this time.

Some teachers compare it to Lexia and while I do use Lexia and it has it's pros also; I found I liked Imagine Literacy over Lexia. It is able to be more individualized than Lexia and the kids can record readings and writing pieces and they are sent to the teacher.

I would encourage the district to use this as a supplemental program"

Recommendation:

We, *Curriculum Committee, recommend Imagine Learning Literacy, as a supplemental resource to support core instruction district wide for students in grades K-5, based on the success rate and teacher feedback, at the pilot school.

Motion:

I move the NSBSD Board of Education approve Imagine Learning Literacy as a supplemental resource to support core instruction.

Motion by	Seconded by	
Advisory Vote	Vote	
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*Curriculum Committee					
Participants:	Position	Meeting Dates			
Lisa Peterson	ATQ	Fall: Winter: January			
Renee Arakaki	АКР	25, 2020 Spring: April 24,			
Alonda Singson	ІРК	2020			
Shari Brown	РНО				
Cindy Granatir	HMS				
Liz Noble	Director C&I				
Ronnie Brower	Coordinator Teaching and Learning				
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