





POSTPONE ADOPTION OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

SITUATION:

The State's Instructional Materials adoption schedule requires districts to have English Language Development instructional materials in all classrooms by September 2015. Under Oregon Administrative Rule 581-022-1650, districts have the option to postpone instructional material purchases for up to two years. A one year postponement was approved by the Board in March 2015. The district is in the middle of an effort to improve services to English Language Learners by implementing a variety of delivery models and evaluating the effectiveness of these models with different students and grade levels. The evaluation data will inform which models the district uses in future years which in turn will influence the selection of instructional materials. An additional year postponement is requested to accommodate the evaluation of model implementation.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the School Board approve the District's request to ODE to delay full implementation of English Language Development instructional materials until September 5, 2017.