

# LIVONIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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To: Andrea Oquist, Superintendent

From: Theresa O'Brien, Chief Academic Officer

**Subject: Recommendation to Purchase i-Ready  
Diagnostic Assessments and Instructional Licenses**

The 2016-17 school year saw the first year of administering i-Ready Diagnostic assessments in both reading and mathematics. We assessed students three times a year, utilizing the results in order to determine how students were performing and what instructional needs they had. These assessments provided teachers with specific information about students' strengths and weaknesses with grade level standards.

This year, i-Ready on-line adaptive assessment is an approved assessment by the State of Michigan as an initial determination of whether a student is at grade level. All students kindergarten through sixth grade will be taking the assessment three times a year. We will use the results, along with Fountas and Pinnell, to determine which students need additional support in reading and math. The Diagnostic also provides teachers with targeted lessons to support students' areas of weakness. We will also be providing K-3 buildings with reading instructional licenses for 10% of their students.

At the secondary level, targeted secondary students will also be using the diagnostic and instructional licenses, based on the Student Success Plans that were submitted to Mr. Archibald. Each building determined what resources they need in order to help students who are below grade level close the gap with their peers.

Please find attached a chart that summarizes the anticipated i-Ready assessment and instruction expenditures for the 2017-18 school year. Funds that will be used to pay for the diagnostics and licenses are a mixture of state funded Early Literacy Grant, 31A At-Risk state funding, and Academic Services Department funds.

As always, please let me know if you have any questions or if I can provide additional information on this topic.

Attachments

| ITEM #   | PRODUCT NAME  | QUANTITY | Unit Price       | Total    |
|--|---|----------|------------------|----------|
| RS13086  | i-Ready Diagnostic Math<br>Per Student License 1 year, grades K-6                           | 6700     | \$5.40           | \$36,180 |
| RS13088  | i-Ready Diagnostic Reading<br>Per Student License 1 year, grades K-6<br>• K-3 3500 licenses | 3500     | \$5.40           | \$18,900 |
| RS13088  | • 4-6 3200 licenses   | 3200     | \$5.40           | \$17,280 |
| <b>Elementary Diagnostic Assessment Total:</b> | <b>13,400 Licenses</b>  |          | <b>\$72,360</b>  |          |
| RS13086<br>RS14928                             | i-Ready Diagnostic Math<br>Per Student License 1 year                                       | 200      | \$5.40           | \$1,080  |
| RS13088<br>RS14936                             | i-Ready Diagnostic Reading<br>Per Student License 1 year                                    | 200      | \$5.40           | \$1,080  |
| <b>Secondary Diagnostic Assessment Total:</b>  | <b>700 Licenses</b>   |          | <b>\$2,160</b>   |          |
| RS13171  | i-Ready Instruction Reading<br>Per Student License 1 year                                   | 1000     | \$24.00          | \$24,000 |
| <b>Elementary Instruction Total:</b>           | <b>1000 Licenses</b>  |          | <b>\$24,000</b>  |          |
|  | Emerson Middle School Site License  |          |                  | \$18,905 |
| RS13089  | i-Ready Instructional and Diagnostic<br>Reading Per Student Licenses 1 year                 | 200      | \$30.00          | \$6,000  |
| RS13087  | i-Ready Instructional and Diagnostic<br>Math Per Student Licenses 1 year                    | 200      | \$30.00          | \$6,000  |
| <b>Secondary Instructional Total:</b>          | <b>400 Licenses and 1 Site License</b>  |          | <b>\$30,905</b>  |          |
| <b>2017-18 Grand Total</b>                     |   |          | <b>\$129,425</b> |          |