

Lyon County School District Board Memo

Date: July 22, 2025
To: Board of School Trustees
From: James Gianotti, Executive Director for Educational Services
Re: A curriculum adoption of Pearson Connexus Platform for LyOnline

Recommendation:

That the Lyon County School District Board of Trustees approves an Instructional Materials adoption of Pearson for LyOnline.

Background Information:

LyOnline has served as the Lyon County School District's online learning platform since 2018. Following the pandemic, its offerings expanded to include grades K-5. While the district has utilized Imagine Learning (Edgenuity) materials for K-5 students, a desire to explore alternative options existed.

The Nevada Department of Education's recent disapproval of Imagine Learning (Edgenuity) materials for K-5 necessitated a change for LyOnline. In response, we consulted with the Washoe County School District, whose North Star Online School successfully utilizes Pearson Connexus for its K-5 online programs. North Star staff highly recommended Pearson Connexus, and LyOnline staff subsequently evaluated its content and coursework.

After thorough review, LyOnline administration and staff, as the primary instructional material stakeholders, expressed strong support for adopting Pearson Connexus. A stakeholder feedback period for parents, staff, and community members was held from July 7th to July 14th. No input or feedback regarding the platform was received during this time.

We propose moving forward with Pearson Connexus materials for one year at the quoted cost. This cost is comparable to the annual expenditure for the previous Imagine Learning (Edgenuity) K-5 materials; however, it provides access to 93 student seats, a significant increase from the approximately 35-40 seats previously available.

Budget Considerations:

Pearson Connexus materials \$23,157 for 1 year to be paid from the general fund.

Discussed at Previous Meeting:

N/A

Attachment(s):

Lyon County Scope of Work
SY2025_2026_CourseLists_Nevada
Lyon Co School District Presentation

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