

To: Harlem School District Board of Education

Dr. Terrell Yarbrough, Superintendent Josh Aurand, Chief Business Officer

From: Ana Luisa Dominguez, Director of Multicultural Education

RE: Purchase of Istation **Date:** December 13, 2021

In order to offer targeted support and monitor our bilingual students' literacy development in Spanish in our HoLA program, it is important to provide a nationally normed assessment tool that is authentic to the Spanish language and systemic within our dual language program. We need a system to identify students who are making adequate progress using a holistic approach to the trajectory to biliteracy, who are not fully making adequate progress and require extra assistance, or who have critical needs for specialized support.

<u>Istation en Español</u>

Istation en Español is a nationally normed assessment and instructional platform aligned to the Common Core State Standards. Istation en Español provides authentic Spanish literacy intervention and instruction that teaches skills most predictive of success for our students in the HoLA program. It will help us implement multi-tiered systems of support (MTSS) strategies, prioritize critical interventions, identify students for small-group instruction, select from targeted teacher-led lessons, compile student strengths and weaknesses, and document interventions.

- Formative Assessment
 - Automatic diagnostics and progress monitoring
- Adaptive Curriculum
 - Scaffold instruction
 - o Interactive and individualized Lessons
 - Responsive Reteaching
- Personalized Data Profiles
 - Immediate online data reports
 - Recommendations for individual and small group instruction
 - Prescriptive support for interventions
 - Intervention history
- Teacher Resources
 - Automatic priority alerts
 - Online lesson and intervention libraries
- School-to-Home Connection
 - Parent Portal
 - Home access to the individualized instruction that will extend learning beyond the classroom



The estimated cost for Istation en Español is \$4,200 and will be funded through Title III. In addition, the professional development and training will be funded utilizing Title II funds.

Funding Sources:

Title III	Program: Istation en Espanol Student Accounts	\$2,700
Title II	Training and Support: Standard Virtual Learning Services	\$1,500
Total		\$5,200