



# Region One Education Service Center

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Mr. Alim Ansari, Superintendent  
Horizon Montessori Public Schools  
519 South Texas Boulevard  
Weslaco, TX 78596

Dear Mr. Ansari:

The Region One Education Service Center appreciates your district's participation in the Library Services and Instructional Resources Virtual Library Cooperative. We impact student achievement by providing high-quality instructional resources and services that help students develop twenty-first century skills. In addition, district and charter schools realize financial benefits from volume purchasing discounts provided through cooperative membership.

The Region One ESC Library Services and Instructional Resources Cooperative District/Charter Commitment Form for 2016-2017 is enclosed. Membership in the Region One ESC Library Services and Instructional Resources Cooperative delivers to your campuses many core services. (See Attachment A)

The cost of Co-op membership will remain at \$3.10 per student enrollment for the 2016-2017 school year. The enclosed Cost Benefits Analysis indicates district level savings.

Please return the enclosed District/Charter Commitment Form to Region One Education Service Center, ATTN: Library Services and Instructional Resources Cooperative on or before **August 1, 2016**. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Dr. Cornelio Gonzalez  
Executive Director

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Enclosure: Attachment A  
District/Charter Commitment Form  
Cost Benefits Analysis

## Attachment A

### 2016-2017 Library Services and Instructional Resources Cooperative

**MackinVIA:** an eResource Management System that contains all the digital resources students and staff will utilize in their schools. MackinVIA will house our shared eBooks and databases.

**eBooks:** The MackinVIA regionally shared eBooks will increase by \$40,000 which will be co-owned by all participating districts/charters. Members from previous years will see their collection grow this second year.

#### Virtual Library Databases

Resource Type	Resource Title	Description
Video	<b>BrainPOP, BP Jr., BP Español, BP Francais, BP ESL</b>	over 2,359 short animated movies for students in grades K-12
Video	<b>Power Videos</b>	over 12,000 videos from 50+ publishers for students in grades K-12
Database	<b>World and I</b>	Cross-Curriculum Digital Magazine With a Database of Resources
Database	<b>EBSCO History Ref Center</b>	Comprehensive Full-Text History Reference Database
	<b>TexQuest Partners</b>	(See *s beneath TexQuest name)
Database	<b>* American West</b>	Primary Sources
Database	<b>* American Indian Histories and Cultures</b>	Primary Sources
Database	<b>* Britannica School</b>	Multi-level Encyclopedia & Resources
Database	<b>* Britannica Spanish Center</b>	Multi-level Encyclopedia & Resources
Database	<b>* Britannica E-Stax</b>	Multi-level Encyclopedia & Resources
Database	<b>* EBSCO eBooks</b>	5 Non-fiction eBook Collections
Database	<b>* Gale Cengage Learning</b>	General Content All Levels
Database	<b>* ProQuest SIRS Discoverer</b>	Articles and Websites for K-8
Database	<b>* TeachingBooks</b>	Resources About Books
eBooks	<b>Brain Hive</b>	Subscription eBook Collection (500 Titles Per Campus Level)
Images	<b>ImageQuest</b>	Millions of Rights-Cleared Images
College & Career Reference Center	<b>Gale TERC w/Career Module</b>	College and Career Testing and Education Reference Center
Grant Database	<b>School Funding Center</b>	Grant Database Access for Library Services District Leader

**Professional Development:**

- On-site support (One day per 10,000 students)
- Professional Development sessions specifically for librarians at Region One at no cost or reduced pricing
- Fall and Spring conferences
- Cluster Site Professional Development from Region One Staff Outside of Library Services
- Monthly Library Leadership Network meetings for district library contacts

**Library Purchasing Co-op:**

Membership in Region One's Virtual Library Cooperative allows the member to participate in the Library Purchasing Co-op for School Purchases

1. Consultants (authors, illustrators, storytellers, trainers, presenters)
2. Instructional Software/Applications
3. Library Books
4. Library Furniture
5. Library Supplies
6. Magazine Subscriptions
7. Multi- Media Equipment
8. Online Instructional Resources/Services



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## DISTRICT & CHARTER COMMITMENT FORM LIBRARY SERVICES & INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES COOPERATIVE

2016-2017 School Year

**108802 HORIZON MONTESSORI PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

School District Name

1. Rate per student for membership	\$ <u>3.10</u>
2. Total enrollment (PEIMS 2014-2015 Enrollment)	<u>1,125</u>
3. District's Fund Commitment	\$ <u>3,487.50</u>

**NOTE: Please mail a purchase order *after September 1, 2016* for the district's fund commitment.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Superintendent

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed/Typed Name of Superintendent

\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Fax Number

Committing to the Library Services & Instructional Resources Cooperative ensures that your district will continue to receive services for the 2016-2017 school year.

*Please return this commitment form to Region One Education Service Center, ATTN: Library Services & Instructional Resources, 1900 West Schunior, Edinburg, TX 78541, on or before August 1, 2016.*

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## Region One Library Services and Instructional Resources Cooperative

### 2016-2017 Cost Benefit Analysis

**District: HORIZON MONTESSORI PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

The Region One ESC Library Services and Instructional Resources Virtual Library Cooperative makes every effort to provide the highest quality resources and most cost-effective solutions to school districts. We provide resources and services that support the educational needs of today's students by providing resources that support the skills necessary in the twenty first century and resources that better support the state assessments.

The Region One ESC Library Services and Instructional Resources Virtual Library Cooperative is able to provide resources at a reasonable cost to school districts due to volume purchasing. Below is a cost comparison of the Co-op versus the cost of the resources purchased separately.

Service	# Students	Co-op Membership Cost (\$3.10 per student)	Cost for district to purchase directly from vendor		
			Cost	Student/ Campus/ District	Total
BrainPOP, BP Jr., BP Español, BP Francais, BP ESL	1,125	Included in Coop	\$ 2,095.00	3 /campus	\$ 6,285.00
Powervideos and World and I	1,125	Included in Coop	\$ 0.61	/student	\$ 686.25
EBSCO History Reference Center	1,125	Included in Coop	\$ 1.03	/student	\$ 1,158.75
MackinVia eResource Management System and eBooks	1,125	Included in Coop	\$ 40,000.00	/district	\$ 40,000.00
Brain Hive	1,125	Included in Coop	\$ 50,000.00	/district	\$ 50,000.00
TexQuest (State Funded Databases: Britannica & Gale)	1,125	Included in Coop	\$ 10.89	/student	\$ 12,251.25
ImageQuest	1,125	Included in Coop	\$ 0.46	/student	\$ 517.50
TERC with Career Module	1,125	Included in Coop	\$ 0.57	/student	\$ 641.25
Library Grant Database	1,125	Included in Coop	\$ 2,000.00	/district	\$ 2,000.00
Professional Development & on-site support (One day per 10,000 students)	1 days @ \$1,200 per day	Included in Coop	1 days @ \$1,200	per day	\$ 1,200.00
Cluster Site: Professional Development from Region One Staff Outside of Library Services	2 days @ \$1,200 per day	Included in Coop	2 days @ \$1,200	per day	\$ 2,400.00
Professional Development sessions for librarians at Region One at no cost. Nonmembers pay from \$50 to \$150 per workshop. (Estimate based on number of librarians)	3 participants @ \$150 per workshop	Included in Coop	3 participants @ \$150 per workshop	per workshop	\$ 450.00
Membership in Region One's Library Purchasing Co-op for School Library Purchases	Amount of savings depends on the amount of purchasing made by the campus/district.	Included in Coop	Not available to non-co-op districts		\$ -
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$ 3,487.50</b>		<b>\$ 117,590.00</b>