

GOVERNING BOARD AGENDA ITEM AMPHITHEATER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10

DATE OF MEETING: May 7, 2024

TITLE: Award of Contract for K-12 Textbook Adoption for Social Studies RFP #2324010

BACKGROUND:

A committee of over thirty district teachers, administrators and community members reviewed textbook series for Social Studies for students in grades K-12 in January through April of 2024. The committee scored materials presented by twelve (12) vendors against established criteria including quality indicators of Social Studies materials, requirements of the RFP, and alignment to Arizona State Standards. Textbooks recommended by the committee were put on display from March 6, 2024 – May 4, 2024, and were available online and at Wetmore Center satisfying the sixty (60) day display requirement. All teachers, parents, and community members had the opportunity to review the materials and provide feedback to the administration during this time period. A public notice of the display period was posted in the local newspaper, in District and school newsletters and on District and school websites.

Upon review of the materials, the top vendors for the elementary, middle and high school levels were determined. Based on the Best and Final Offer bids, requirements of the RFP, and ratings by the committee, the following vendor recommendations for award of contract are made to the Governing Board this evening for approval:

Elementary: Studies Weekly, Studies Weekly Social Studies c2023

Middle School: National Geographic/Cengage, World History and Great Civilizations c2025, Civics and Citizenship c2024, World Cultures and Geography c2017, Gale in Context: for Educators Unlimited, digital supplement

High School: McGraw Hill, World History c2023, United States History c2023, United States Government and Civics c2023, Economics, c2023, Actively Learn, digital supplement

AP Courses: Bedford Freeman & Worth Publishing, Ways of the World for AP c2023, A Fabric of a Nation c2024, American Government: Stories of a Nation (Presidential Election Update) 1E for AP Gov c2021, Krugman's Economics for the AP Course 4E c2023

All proposed materials are available in both print and online formats with extensive teacher and student resources. The content of these materials reflects the Arizona Department of Education's vision for Social Studies instruction and includes resources to support inquiry-based learning. Materials in each series provide teachers with multiple options for differentiation/personalization of instruction for students.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is the administration's recommendation that the Governing Board approve as the core Social Studies textbooks and digital resources listed above starting with the 2024-2025 school year.

INITIATED BY:

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Date: May 7, 2024

Todd A. Jaeger, J.D., Superintendent