School Board Meeting: June 26, 2023

**Subject:** 5th Grade Science Curriculum

Adoption Proposal (CAP) Approval

Presenters: Pam Miller, Director

**Teaching and Learning** 

## SUGGESTED SCHOOL BOARD ACTION:

Recommend approval.

## **DESCRIPTION:**

The 5th grade science pilot staff have engaged in the district Continuous Improvement Process (CIP) review tasks over the past two years in the RESEARCH and PILOT phases. They have been active in activities that have included:

- development of a program goal to guide the selection of resources and to formulate the vision for instructional delivery
- review of MN State Science Standards
- investigation of technology tools to enhance student learning
- $\circ$  discussions of preferred resources and development of resource scenarios
- o consensus-building to reach recommendation decisions

These CIP tasks have now culminated into the 5th Grade Science Curriculum Adoption Proposal (CAP) Report being presented to you for review at this time. The recommendations included here provide excellent student opportunities that align with the goals of the national standards, as well as the local identified improvement process goals for each department.

This review process has allowed an opportunity for our 5th grade teachers to reflect upon the future learning experiences desired for BHM students.

Upon completing the review process, the team is bringing forth recommendations for consideration within their CAP report. With these needs and desired goals, of course, comes a significant commitment of purchase for instructional resources in order to meet these needs and goals.

Preliminary budget figures are listed below.

<u>Program</u>	Budget Request
5th grade	\$ <u>16,600</u>
Total	\$ 16,600

This price is for the first year only; the remaining years will be purchased next year.

The 5th Grade Science CAP Report was presented to the District Teaching & Learning Council on June 1, 2023 and the Community Teaching & Learning Council on June 2, 2023. A teacher representing 5th grade will be presenting this information at Monday's board workshop and we will be available to respond to any questions you may have about the process or the resources within the recommendation.

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

• 5<sup>TH</sup> Grade Science Program CAP