

MEMO

TO: Weber School District Board Members: President Paul Widdison,

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FROM: Dr. Juliana Woodbury, Special Education Director

Jared Abney, Special Education Assistant Director

DATE: November 5, 2024

SUBJECT: Request to renew Readtopia Program

The Special Education Department respectfully requests renewal of the Readtopia program, a valuable resource for our secondary life skills programs. We have successfully utilized Readtopia since November 2019. Designed for middle and high school students with autism and other complex needs, Readtopia is an integrated, comprehensive reading curriculum encompassing ELA, Math, Social Studies, Life Skills, and Science. It effectively addresses the Essential Elements Standards for English Language Arts for students with significant cognitive disabilities. Our secondary life skills teachers modify the curriculum to meet the unique needs of their diverse student populations. Readtopia has proven to be a significant benefit to both our teachers and students.

The proposed renewal includes all materials and 20 annual teacher licenses for a 3-year period at a total cost of \$44,906.

We appreciate your continued support of our Special Education programs.