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Date:	March 19, 2025
To:	Dr. Robert Halverson, Superintendent of Schools
	East Aurora School District 131 Board of Education
From:	Dr. Rita Guzman, Executive Director Language Acquisition
Subject:	Heritage and AP Spanish Materials Recommendations

# <u>lssue:</u>

Current resources are outdated and do not meet student needs.

## Justification:

In order to adhere to modernized ACTFL standards for language development, including instruction and practice in all four domains of language, additional materials are needed.

# **Board Policy:**

**6:210** Instructional materials - All District classrooms and learning centers should be equipped with an evenly-proportioned, wide assortment of instructional materials, including textbooks, workbooks, audio-visual materials, and electronic materials. These materials should provide quality learning experiences for students

# Past Practice:

We have updated resources in other programs, such as Spanish I-III, to better prepare students for the Seal of Biliteracy exam and post-secondary options.

<u>Strategic Plan:</u> Goal #4 - Student Achievement

### Data:

Current version is from 2012. Students overwhelmingly felt the recommended resources would help them learn and retain language skills. Teachers agreed that the recommended resource had good to excellent levels of assessments, practice, and differentiation. These new resources would be used in all Spanish Heritage and AP Spanish courses in grades 9-12.

### Cost:

The cost with shipping and additional training for these materials will not exceed \$92,451.16.

# **Recommendation:**

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the purchase of Vista Higher Learning's resources for Heritage Spanish and AP Spanish for use at EAHS. The estimated cost is \$92,451.16.

# Timeline for Decision:

June 2, 2025