

School Leadership

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Date: April 21, 2025

To: Dr. Robert Halverson, Superintendent of Schools

East Aurora School District 131 Board of Education

From: Luis Gonzalez, Executive Director of Elementary

Subject: Scholastic Summer Book Kits for Rollins Elementary School, Grant Funded

The Issue:

To support the prevention of summer learning loss, we aim to proactively ensure all K–4 students at our dual language comprehensive support school have access to high-interest fiction and nonfiction books in both English and Spanish over the summer months. Each grade level K-4 will receive books in English and Spanish. 5th grade students will receive 10 books as well, all in English.

Board Policy and Past Practices:

We have provided books to families in the past to support educational initiatives.

Strategic Plan:

This recommendation supports Strategic Goal #1 Educational Equity which states *East Aurora School District* 131 will meet the diverse needs of all students by ensuring a safe and inclusive learning environment. This recommendation supports Strategic Goal #4 Student Achievement which states *East Aurora School District* 131 will ensure the academic success of all students by closing the opportunity gap.

Community Impact:

By investing grant funds to provide children with a diverse selection of summer books, we are promoting literacy, equity, and development of biliteracy. Providing access to engaging fiction and informational texts will empower students to continue reading and learning throughout the summer, strengthening homeschool connections and supporting long-term academic success and supporting the development of our District focus standards.

Supporting Data:

Quote is attached.

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Financial Impact:

\$42,630.18

Funded by Title 1 Section 1003, School Improvement Grant

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the purchase of Scholastic My Books Summer Kits for Rollins Elementary School in the amount of \$42,630.18

Timeline for Decision

4/21/2025