

BUENA PARK SCHOOL DISTRICT
Buena Park, California 90620

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To: Dr. Ramon Miramontes, Superintendent

FROM: Yvette Cantu, Director, Curriculum and Instruction

SUBJECT: **KINDERGARTEN – EIGHTH GRADE HISTORY-SOCIAL SCIENCE ADOPTION**

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

School districts have a responsibility to adopt instructional materials in accordance with the California Department of Education’s textbook adoption cycle. Core content adoptions are mandated every eight years for the core curriculum areas. The adoption cycle for history social science began in July 2017. Each District is responsible for selecting a program that best meet the needs of their students from the list of state approved textbook materials.

During the 2018-2019 school year, a K-8 District History-Social Science Adoption Committee met to conduct a thorough review of all State Board of Education-approved history-social science materials. Teachers, parents, and administrators were all afforded an opportunity for input and shared decision making in the selection of a K-8 history-social science materials.

CURRENT CONSIDERATIONS

Following careful review, assessment, and investigation into the history-social science curriculum, the District Steering Committee would like to recommend Pearson materials for 6-8 and Studies Weekly materials for K-5 grade students and teachers. This recommendation is based on: (1) Alignment with the California Content Standards quality of program, (2) Lesson Design and Instructional Strategies, (3) Resources and Interventions, and (4) Assessment.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The estimated total costs of the recommended Pearson materials for grades 6-8 is approximately \$214,791.26 and for grades K-5 is approximately \$146,667.60 based on projected enrollment for 2019-2020 school year. This includes teacher editions, teacher resources, student editions, and all consumables for the life of the adoption. The cost of the history-social science curriculum will be payable from the Restricted Lottery and IMFRP Reserves.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Governing Board approve the adoptions of Pearson and DBA American Legacy Publishing textbooks.

****STRATEGIC PLAN:** Maximize Student Achievement through Standards-based Instruction and Assessment.