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# Memorandum

**TO:** Dan Trudel, CPA – Assistant Superintendent of Business

**FROM:** David Recker, Ed.D. – Director of Teaching & Learning

**RE:** K-8 Literacy Pilot Materials and Professional Learning

**DATE:** May 13, 2026

Our Literacy Leadership Teams have engaged in extensive research, visioning, and curricula exploration for high quality K-8 literacy materials. Based on the process thus far, our team recommends the following purchases to support pilots in the 26-27 school year.

UFLI, K-2: While the K-2 UFLI pilots do not reach the board approval threshold, we wanted to note that we predict the pilot manuals will cost approximately $2,000, and that student materials will cost approximately $8,000.

Collaborative Literacy, K-5: This quote allows for the purchase of Collaborative Literacy: Being a Reader at scale for all elementary students. The $1,093,710 purchase covers teacher materials, student workbooks, classroom books, and ongoing professional learning. The entirty of this purchase will come from our 35m grant allocation.

Arts and Letters, 6-8: This quote is estimated to support pilots across the four middle schools. The $36,304.59 purchase covers teacher materials, student workbooks, classroom books, a digital platform, and ongoing professional learning. This purchase would come from general funds.

EL Education, 6-8: EL Education writes the curriculum and provides professional learning. Kiddom prints and distributes the physical materials. The EL Education quote for $5,000 accounts for ongoing professional learning. The Kiddom quote of $22,634.50 is estimated to cover teacher materials, student workbooks, classroom books, and a digital platform across the four middle schools. These two purchases would come from general funds.

Together, these four pilots cost $1,093,710 from our 35m grant allocation, and $63,939.09 from our general funds.

Please contact me should you have any questions.

ATT: Purchase Summary
Cc: Donna Havrilla