

*Mountain View Whisman School District*

**Agenda Item for Board Meeting of May 30, 2024**

**Agenda Category:** Discussion Agenda

**Agenda Item Title:** PK/TK and K-5 English Language Arts Curriculum Adoption Approval

**Person Responsible:** Swati Dagar - Director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment  
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**Background:** MVWSD's elementary English Language Arts curriculum adoption is aligned with our Strategic Plan 2027 Goal #1 - Providing effective and consistent instructional practices for all students.

The goal of the K-5 ELA curriculum adoption committee was to recommend a curriculum for adoption that follows the Science of Reading (SoR) and meets the needs of MVWSD's students, including supports for multilingual learners and a parallel Spanish Language Arts curriculum. The curriculum adoption process was comprehensive and rigorous. The PK/TK and K-5 Curriculum Adoption Committee spent significant time studying the Science of Reading (SoR) and used their collective understanding as a guide throughout the curriculum review and pilot process. After engaging in multiple discussions and reviewing rubric ratings, the voting members of the K-5 ELA curriculum adoption committee unanimously recommended Amplify Core Knowledge Language Arts (and the Spanish version, Caminos) for adoption beginning the 2024-25 school year.

The PK and TK adoption committee utilized an adoption process that mirrored the K-5 ELA adoption process and after review of materials based on rubrics and piloting curricula, the PK/TK committee recommends Savvas Three Cheers for PreK for adoption beginning the 2024-25 school year.

Staff shared regular updates on Curriculum Adoption Process and the Committee's work with the Board of Trustees:

[November 2, 2023 Board Presentation](#)

[March 14, 2024 Board Presentation](#)

[May 16, 2024 Board Presentation](#)

**Budget Allocation:** Approximate PK/TK Savvas Three Cheers Curriculum Cost: \$100,000

Approximate K-5 Amplify CKLA Curriculum Cost: \$2,200,000

**Next Steps:** The district staff is requesting approval from the Board of Trustees on curriculum adoption for the 2024-25 school year:

- Amplify Core Knowledge Language Arts and Caminos for K-5 English Language Arts, and
- Savvas Three Cheers for PreK for PK and TK.