

Consider Approval of Library Materials Purchase for Juan Alvarado Elementary

1. **Background:**

In preparation for the opening of Juan Alvarado Elementary School, the district has secured a library collection through Bound to Stay Bound Books (BTSB), which includes an “Opening Day Collection” designed to provide age-appropriate, curriculum-aligned materials for a new campus. The quote also includes BTSB’s “white glove” service, a turnkey option that provides delivery and full processing of materials so that books are cataloged, labeled, and shelf-ready upon arrival, ensuring the library is fully operational and accessible for students and staff on the first day of school.

Curriculum & Instruction is requesting approval of the Juan Alvarado Elementary Library Book Purchase. In alignment with Board Policy EFB(LOCAL) and Senate Bill 13 requirements, Library Services has curated a selection of new library materials for the new Juan Alvarado Elementary Library.

2. **Process:**

The book selections were developed collaboratively by certified district librarians using the district’s Materials Acquisition Administrative Procedures and Collection Development Guidelines. Each title was reviewed for quality, relevance, diversity, and compliance with state law and district policy. A 30-day community review period will be provided in accordance with Board Policy, allowing parents and stakeholders to view and provide input on the proposed materials before final approval.

3. **Fiscal Impact:**

Funding for this purchase will be provided through the General Fund.

4. **Recommendation:**

That the Board approve the purchase of the proposed library books for Juan Alvarado Elementary for the 2026-2027 school year as outlined in the attached, not to exceed \$146,000.

5. **Required:**

Board action.