

Action Sheet

MEETING DATE:

June 26, 2024

AGENDA ITEM:

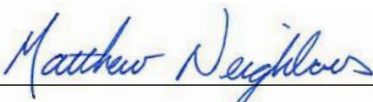
Discuss and consider approval to purchase Vista Higher Learning Español Santillana for High School Spanish Software renewal

During a previous GISD adoption the district selected Español Santillana for as their state approved curriculum for High School Spanish. The online licenses which are now mostly used in the Spanish classes are up for renewal and the district is requesting that the board approve the purchase of these licenses.

The Español Santillana was part of the state proclamation pricing under proclamation 2017 and is in accordance with the approved standards required by the state. Purchasing licenses will significantly enhance the educational experience for our students. The software is an essential tool for students that enables equitable access to digital resources and online instruction. By purchasing the licenses, the district can help supplement instruction to curtail the loss of student learning as a result of the Covid 19 pandemic. This is crucial for maintaining educational continuity and accommodating various learning needs and health concerns. Furthermore, the software enables the use of diverse applications, enhancing interactive and personalized learning opportunities that can help close learning gaps. Galveston ISD's student population consists of 80% economically disadvantaged. Many GISD students do not have the financial means to supplemental educational resources available to them outside of school hours. The software allows for an intervention that responds to the student's academic, social, and emotional needs and addresses the disproportionate impact of Covid-19 on underrepresented student subgroups. Purchasing Cooperative: BuyBoard Contract No. 661-22. Funding Source: ESSER III, General, IMA as needed.

RECOMMENDATION:

I move that the Board approve the purchase of Vista Higher Learning Español Santillana for High School Spanish as a renewal in an amount not to exceed \$50,000, as presented.



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Superintendent



Jeff Martello
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