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MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL: English Digital and Print Resource Adoption

Program Recommended:

Collections

(Houghton Mifflin Harcourt)

Cost: \$889,290.00 for 1,720 Grade 6 ELA, 1,670 Grade 7 ELA, 1,672 Grade 8 ELA, 1,800 Grade 9 English/Honors English, 1,749 Grade 10 English/Honors English, and 1,639 Grade 11 English/Honors English digital subscriptions and print resources as well as one day of professional development.

Rationale for Purchase: Fully digital interactive lessons and learning experiences that are aligned to the Maryland College and Career Readiness (MCCR) Standards for English Language Arts. The online platform is compatible on a variety of electronic devices (i.e. MacBook, iPad, laptop, smart phone). Access to materials available from home. Intervention and enrichment opportunities for students. Targeted tasks designed to promote critical thinking.

Selection Process:

December 3, 2017	RFP Issued
January 9, 2018	Pre-proposal meeting
February 1, 2018	Deadline for RFP proposal submission
February 2-9, 2018	Review of proposals
February 9, 2018	Supervisor and Content Specialist narrowed selection to two best
February 20, 2018	Publishers of top choices presented digital and print resources
February 20 – March 14, 2018	Teachers review and pilot digital resources
March 14, 2018	Resource Selection Committee completed the evaluation for each resource
March 16, 2018	Supervisor and Content Specialist reviewed evaluations to identify the recommended resource, as defined by alignment to the Essential Curriculum and highest teacher rating
May 1, 2018	Tentative Award Date

Selection Criteria:

Digital resources were evaluated in the following areas:

- Curriculum alignment – major content alignment, supporting content alignment, WCPS Transfer Goals/Maryland College and Career Readiness (MCCR) Standards
- Curriculum Delivery- instructional strategies, support of teacher pedagogy, balance of literary and informational texts, balance of writing purposes and forms, reasoning and critical thinking based on evidence, chunking material to convey processes, communication (discourse, vocabulary development, and language development)
- Content Delivery- student relevance, real-world application, rigorous student expectations, variety of text types, online platform for student attainment of knowledge and application of concepts, adaptive technology
- Student interest/engagement- attractive, age-appropriate, clear images and wording (visually), builds motivation and confidence in reading/writing/speaking/listening, builds self-efficacy, provides a platform for feedback for students
- Alignment to student needs- accessibility, intervention resources, enrichment

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resources, ELL resources, COMAR (represents genders, ages, races, ethnicities, and religions fairly and equally)

- Additional materials- professional development, online planning tools and resources for teachers, item data bank, performance task resources, reports (student usage, class performance), automatic product updates
- Technology compatibility- compatible with network, compatible with devices, accessible when internet is not available, accessible from home, single sign-on, easy-to-use interactive products, variety of reading and writing tools available (annotations, quick-link definition, spell-check, connection to additional content), student tracking method (progress monitoring)

Teacher Comments:

The assets of the digital resources and print resources of the recommended program are:

- Diverse texts- a mix of 20th and 21st century materials representative of a variety of cultures
- Anchor texts- flexible structure of anchor texts and paired texts, lesson seeds, and learning exercises
- Performance tasks- performance assessments abound, with many texts available
- Immediate student feedback
- Accessibility- available resources off-line
- Immediate Feedback- compatibility with Turnitin (plagiarism-detection service)
- Navigation- user friendly for teachers and students
- Digital writing platform (myWriteSmart)

Included with Purchase:

The approximate cost for this digital subscription, which includes print resources, is \$86.76 per student for 6 years.

With the county purchase, the publisher will include the following complimentary materials:

- *Collections*: Classroom set (hardcover student edition)
- Close Reader 6-year print subscription
- Interactive Digital Student Resources w/ Assessment 6-year
- Downloadable Student Resource Tool
- HMH Close Reads app
- Teacher Edition
- Interactive Digital Teacher Resources w/Assessment
- Downloadable Teacher Resource Tool
- Quick Start Pacing Guide
- 1 Novel per student

Technology:

Technology resources included with the purchase:

- Interactive Digital Student Resources w/ Assessment 6-year
- Downloadable Student Resource Tool
- HMH Close Reads app
- Interactive Digital Teacher Resources w/Assessment
- Downloadable Teacher Resource Tool
- Quick Start Pacing Guide

Professional Development:

With the purchase, teachers will receive the following professional development

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opportunities:

- 6 hours of onsite professional development training for teachers

Purchase:

Title of Item	Description	Order Quantity	Unit Price for School Year 2018 to School year 2024	Extended Price
Middle School Student PRINT/DIGITAL Resource Package (Grades 6-8)	<i>Collections:</i> Classroom set (hardcover student edition); Close Reader 6-year print subscription; Interactive Digital Student Resources w/ Assessment 6-year; Downloadable Student Resource Tool; HMH Close Reads app; 1 Novel per student	5,062	\$86.76	\$439,179.12
High School Student PRINT/DIGITAL Resource Package (Grades 9-11)	<i>Collections:</i> Classroom set (hardcover student edition); Close Reader 6-year print subscription; Interactive Digital Student Resources w/ Assessment 6-year; Downloadable Student Resource Tool; HMH Close Reads app; 1 Novel per student	5,188	\$86.76	\$450,110.88
Middle School English Language Arts Teacher Resources	Teacher Edition; Interactive Digital Teacher Resources w/Assessment; Downloadable Teacher Resource Tool; Quick Start Pacing Guide	66		Included with purchase
High School English Teacher Resources	Teacher Edition; Interactive Digital Teacher Resources w/Assessment; Downloadable Teacher Resource Tool; Quick Start Pacing Guide	69		Included with purchase
			TOTAL	\$889,290.00

Other Programs Reviewed:

StudySync, McGraw-Hill School Education. 2018

Teacher Comments:

The drawbacks of the digital resources and textbooks not recommended are:

- Difficult to use and navigate
- Limited delivery models (scripted program)
- Variety of texts only represent excerpts, rather than full texts
- Not appealing visually
- Questionable in terms of rigor
- Test questions are subpar
- Online component does not seem authentic
- Lacks support for writing

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Selection Committee Members:

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Paula Stokes, Teacher, Barbara Ingram School for the Arts
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Kathy Pepper, Teacher, Clear Spring High School
Jennifer Rowden, Teacher, Family Center
Eric Smith, Teacher, Hancock High School
Kim Janifer, Teacher, North Hagerstown High School
Kurt Conaway, Teacher, Smithsburg High School
Amber McDonald, Teacher, South Hagerstown High School
Carol Mowen, Teacher, Washington County Technical High School
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Amber Woody, Teacher, Boonsboro Middle School
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