

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF HARFORD COUNTY

INFORMATIONAL REPORT

DECISION ON ENGLISH DIGITAL LICENSE RENEWAL

Board Meeting Date:	April 15, 2024
Contract Number and Title:	N/A
Procurement Type:	Exempt – Copyright Material
Estimated Value of Contract	\$376,376.76
Funding Source:	FY 24 Operating Budget
Department:	Office of Curriculum, Assessment, and Instruction – Reading, English, Language Arts (RELA)

Description:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• This purchase provides a one (1) year license renewal for students, grades 6 – 10, to have digital access to the textbook and <i>Collections</i> dashboard, as well as digital instructional resources.• The RELA Office began transitioning to the HMH <i>Collections</i> anthology and online dashboard in 2014. As of 2018, grades 6 – 10 have utilized <i>Collections</i> to support instruction and to implement the Maryland College and Career Ready Standards (MCCRS).• Students access their <i>Collections</i> dashboard and eAnthology textbook both in class and at home to read and to annotate assigned literature, to research related topics, and to respond to text-based questions. Without the online text subscription, students would only have access to the textbook during class time since the teacher would need to utilize the book for multiple classes.• eAnthology textbooks provide accessibility features such as print enlargement, an audio reader, and embedded glossaries to further support their reading comprehension and to meet their individual needs.• The digital license will be renewed annually until the curriculum is no longer utilized by the district.• According to the Procurement Manual, certain services/items may be exempt from the competitive process, which includes copyrighted materials.
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Recommended Award To:

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt	Chicago, IL
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