BOARD OF EDUCATION OF HARFORD COUNTY

INFORMATIONAL REPORT

DECISION ON RENEWAL OF COMMONLIT (DIGITAL LITERACY PROGRAM)

Board Meeting Date:	July 15, 2024

Procurement Type:	Single Source

Estimated Value of Contract	$132,500
Funding Source:	$13,250 Blueprint Transitional Supplemental Instruction Grant $119,250 FY25 Operating Budget
Department:	Office of Curriculum, Assessment, and Instruction – Reading, English, Language Arts (RELA)

Description:

- The CommonLit School Essentials Pro program is an educational technology organization that provides resources to all students Grades 3-12 with reading, writing, communication, and problem-solving skills.
- This program also provides teachers with the CommonLit Literacy Model which includes high-quality reading passages, aligned interim assessments, growth-oriented data, teacher development, and builds teacher capacity to use instructional best practices.
- This educational website offers fiction and non-fiction texts, assignments and assessment options for teachers, digital tools, and reading lexiles that can be accessed through Clever to augment student reading choices, material for recovery, summer school, and classroom use.
- CommonLit also provides benchmark beginning, middle and end of year assessments for classroom teachers to gain data reports based on Maryland College and Career Ready Standards.
- CommonLit provides students with assessment items aligned to the state assessment which helps prepare students for Maryland Comprehensive Assessment Program (MCAP).
- CommonLit provides ready to use, skills focused lesson tutorials for students targeted to their needs as readers which assists in closing learning gaps.
- This renewal will provide these services for the 2024-2025 school year, at a cost of $2,500 per school.
- Due to the specialized and unique nature of this program, this is considered a Single Source Procurement.

Recommended Award To:

CommonLit, Inc.	Washington, DC