

Purchasing Textbooks from the State Adopted List with ESSER Funds

Judy Nelson Elisha Campbell Dr. Tenette Smith

Executive Director
Office of Federal Programs

Executive Director
Office of Grants Management

Executive Director
Elementary Education and
Reading

mdek12.org



MISSISSIPPI
DEPARTMENT OF
EDUCATION

April 13, 2022



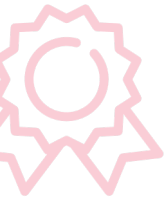
VISION

To create a world-class educational system that gives students the knowledge and skills to be successful in college and the workforce, and to flourish as parents and citizens



MISSION

To provide leadership through the development of policy and accountability systems so that all students are prepared to compete in the global community



1

ALL Students Proficient and Showing Growth in All Assessed Areas



2

EVERY Student Graduates from High School and is Ready for College and Career



3

EVERY Child Has Access to a High-Quality Early Childhood Program

EVERY School Has Effective Teachers and Leaders

4



EVERY Community Effectively Uses a World-Class Data System to Improve Student Outcomes

5



EVERY School and District is Rated “C” or Higher

6





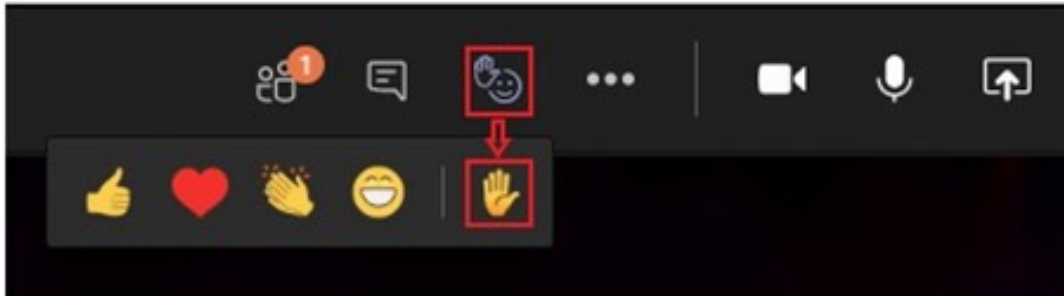
Teams Housekeeping



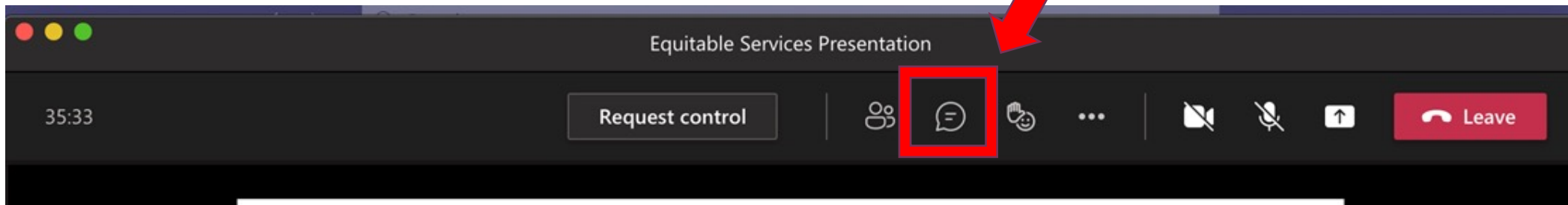
- Please mute yourself unless you have a question to reduce background noise
- Please cut the camera off to save bandwidth to reduce technical glitches
- Please ask questions throughout the presentation via chat or “raise hand” feature

Raise Hand" Feature

Just select **Show reactions** 🙌 in the meeting controls, and then choose **Raise your hand** 🙋 . Everyone in the meeting will see that you've got your hand up.



- Please ask questions throughout the presentation via chat
- "Chat" Feature



- To use the **chat** feature in Teams, simply click the “Chat” icon. The **chat box** will appear on the right. Type your message in the chat box and click the “Send” icon to send your question.

- This session will be recorded to increase availability and access to the technical assistance session.
- Recording will be available as a resource.
- Presentation and recording will be updated in MCAPS, MDE Document Library, Technical Assistance Sessions folder.

- ESSER Use of Funds
- State Textbook Adopted List (High Quality Instructional Materials)
- Textbook Selection Form
- Questions

- The goal of this session is to provide guidance to LEAs using ESSER funds to purchase state-adopted textbooks (high-quality instructional materials).
- The objective is to increase spending of ESSER funds by 25%.

ESSER Use of Funds

ESSER includes allowable uses of funds related to **preventing, preparing for, and responding to COVID-19.**

- Use of Funds Tag (**Allocable/Allowable**)
 - Providing principals and others school leaders with the resources necessary to address the needs of their individual schools.
 - Addressing learning loss among students.
 - Other activities that are necessary to maintain the operation of and continuity of services in local educational agencies.

- According to federal procurement requirements, LEAs shall consider multiple vendors in determining whether a cost is reasonable, necessary, allocable, and allowable (2 C.F.R. §§ 200.402 – 200.405).
- Through the no-cost contract, the MDE has determined the **reasonableness** of the textbooks at the negotiated price.
- The LEA must ensure the cost is **necessary** by evaluating similar textbooks from at least two approved vendors from the state adopted list.

- When the amount is over \$250,000 or only one vendor is available, the LEA must submit a written request to the Office of Federal Programs.
- Written request must include signed letter on district letterhead, the completed Textbook Selection Form, and any additional documentation (pricing form, listing from MDE, etc.)

State Textbook Adopted List



High Quality Instructional Materials

- Mississippi Instructional Materials Matter

State Adopted High-Quality Instructional Materials

- 2021 English Language Arts
- 2021 Pre-Kindergarten Comprehensive
- 2019 Mathematics
- 2019 Social Studies
- 2018 Science
- 2018 Arts

2021 Textbook Adoption and Management

- 
- Adoption List
 - Textbook Adoption Bid Documents
 - Bids Presentation
 - Pre-K Standards Presentation
 - Mississippi Adoption Sampling through Thrivist

<https://www.mdek12.org/OAE/OEER/TextbookAdoptionProcurement>

2020-2021 Adoption List

Pre-K Comprehensive Review Report

Pre-Kindergarten Comprehensive Curriculum Results for Children Ages Three and Four Executive Summary

Pre-K Comprehensive

Please refer to the Pre-Kindergarten Comprehensive Curriculum Results for Children Ages Three and Four Executive Summary listed above for an explanation of individual curriculum scores.

- Creative Curriculum for Teachers (Teaching Strategies LLC)
- Three Cheers for Pre-K (Savvas Learning)
- Frog Street Pre-K 2020 English Comprehensive Curriculum (Frog Street)
- Get Set for School Pre-K (Learning Without Tears)
- QuaverEd Pre-K All in one Classroom Set (QuaverED)



<https://www.mdek12.org/OAE/OEER/2020-2021-Adoption-List>

- Committee shall evaluate and justify the selection of textbook.
- The justification may include content concerns, technology needs, professional development etc.

Example

- LEA will evaluate Three Cheers for Pre-K (Vendor 1) and Frog Street Pre-K 2020 (Vendor 2).
- Based on evaluation, the LEA selected Three Cheers for Pre-K because the materials best assist with struggling readers, provide guided interventions with learning goals, incorporate technology, media, and materials through a variety of format, and accommodate the unique needs associated with our students.

Textbook Selection Form

Mrs. Dickerson
Book
Class

pages 19-20
dry erase
Rylen Porter
Kate Poe
Emily Camden
Elliot
Will
Liza

$$(5 \times 4) \times 3$$
$$5 \times (4 \times 3)$$
$$(3 \times 5) \times 4$$
$$5 \times (4 \times 3)$$
$$12 \times 5$$

- District and School Information

Please utilize this form to evaluate the selected textbooks and include the document in the LEA's procurement file.



District Name	<input type="text"/>
Contact Name	<input type="text"/>
Contact Phone	<input type="text"/>

School Name	<input type="text"/>
Contact e-mail	<input type="text"/>
Date	<input type="text"/>

- Vendor Selected

TEXTBOOK VENDORS CONSIDERED ▼

Vendor Name	Textbook Title	Course Title	Unit Cost	Quantity Needed
██████	██████	██████	██████	██████
Cost Consideration		Selection Decision (Y/N)		Ranking
██████		██████		██████
Justification of Selection				
██████				

- Non-selected Vendor

Vendor Name	Textbook Title	Course Title	Unit Cost	Quantity Needed
█	█	█	█	█
Cost Consideration		Selection Decision (Y/N)		Ranking
█		█		█
Justification of Non-selection of this Vendor:				
█				

- Signatures

SELECTION COMMITTEE SIGNATURES ▼

Signature

Signature

Signature

Signature

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE LEA ADMINISTRATORS

I have reviewed this request to award specified vendor and have determined that the award complies with all federal and state procurement requirements.

School Administrator Signature

Date

LEA ESSER Authorized Signature

Date



Additional Guidance from TA Session

LEAs may purchase with ESSER funds textbooks outside of the State Adopted list; however, the LEA must follow its procurement policy and/or procedure for competitive procurement.

- If an LEA has received an ARP ESSER HQIM (High-Quality Instructional Materials) Grant, the LEA may only purchase English Language Arts and Mathematics materials from the State Adopted list.
- Contact Dr. Tenette Smith if you have specific questions regarding the ARP ESSER HQIM grant.



Contact Information

- Tuesday, April 19 – Webinar: Title II-A Use of Funds Survey
- Wednesday, April 20 – TA #25: ARP Homeless 2.0 (LEAs)
- Tuesday, April 26 – TA #26: FY23 SNS and ESEA Assurances
- Wednesday, April 27 – FY23 School Eligibility



Dr. Tenette Smith

Executive Director

Elementary Education and
Reading

tenette.smith@mdek12.org

Elizabeth Simmons

Director

Instructional Materials and Library
Media

esimmons@mdek12.org

mdek12.org



MISSISSIPPI
DEPARTMENT OF
EDUCATION





Judy Nelson

Executive Director

Office of Federal Programs

jnelson@mdek12.org

Elisha Campbell

Executive Director

Office of Grants Management

ecampbell@mdek12.org

mdek12.org



MISSISSIPPI
DEPARTMENT OF
EDUCATION

