

Instructional Materials Adoptions for 2023-24

April 19, 2023



Purpose

Review CVUSD policies on selection and evaluation of instructional materials

Provide a brief timeline and rationale for proposed material for the upcoming 2023-2024 school year

Share estimated costs and next steps in the instructional materials adoption process



CVUSD Board Policy - 6161.1

“The Governing Board desires that district instructional materials, as a whole, present a broad spectrum of knowledge and viewpoints, reflect society’s diversity, and enhance the use of multiple teaching strategies and technologies. The Board shall adopt instructional materials based on a determination that such materials are an effective learning resource to help students achieve grade-level competency and that the materials meet criteria specified in law. Textbooks, technology-based materials, and other educational materials shall be aligned with academic content standards and the District’s curriculum to ensure that they effectively support the district's adopted courses of study.”



CVUSD Board Policy - 6161.1

“The review process shall involve teachers in a substantial manner and shall encourage the participation of parents/guardians and community members. (Education Code 60002)”

“The district may pilot instructional materials, using a representative sample of classrooms for a specified period of time during a school year, in order to determine how well the materials support the district's curricular goals and academic standards.”

“All recommended instructional materials will be available for public inspection at the district office.”



Prior Instructional Material Adoptions

Subject Area	Grade Levels	Last Adoption
Social Science	TK-5	2006
Science	6-12	2007
History / Social Science	9-12	2006
Anthropology	9-12	2006
Chinese 3 Honors	9-12	N/A

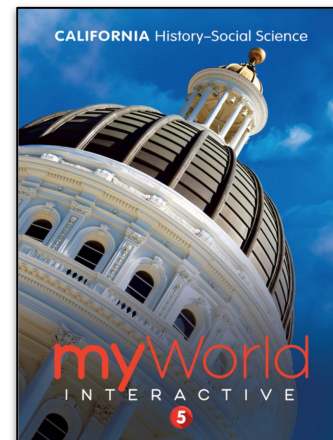
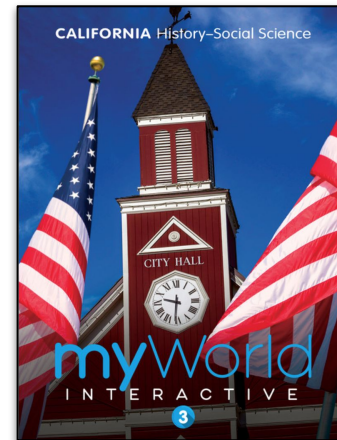
Grades TK-5 Social Science - SAVVAS myWorld

Process/Timeline:

- Pilot committee comprised of 34 TK-5 teachers, including a dual-language teacher and SAI teacher
- September 13, 2022 - Pre-screening of materials at VCOE
- December 7, 2022 - Began developing rubrics and compiling pilot team
- January 17, 2023 - Publisher presentations
- February 6, 2023 - Pilots initiated
- April 3, 2023 - Proposed materials selected

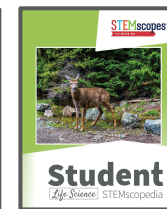
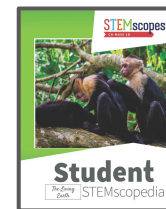
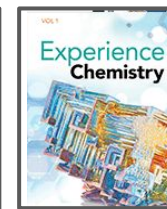
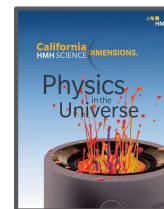
Rationale:

- Content responds to the 4 key shifts in the CAHSS Framework: Content, Literacy, Inquiry, and Citizenship
- Inclusive and representative of a variety of diverse perspectives to deepen students' understanding and engagement in active civic discourse
- Highlights of accessibility supports/UDL:
 - Robust online resources and access to digital textbook
 - Integrates with Canvas and ClassLink
 - Also available in Spanish
 - Variety of instructional routines and materials integrated into lessons including: Turn-and Talks, writing prompts, reading checks, songs, graphic organizers, and Active Classroom Strategies
 - Focus on content vocabulary and academic language
 - Content strategies for supporting range of student groups



Grades 6-12 Science

Middle School: Earth & Space, Life Science, and Physical Science High School: Earth Science & Biology	<i>STEMscopes</i>
High School: Chemistry	<i>SAVVAS</i>
High School: Physics	<i>Houghton Mifflin Harcourt</i>



Process/Timeline:

- MS Committee comprised of 17 science teachers (6th-8th grade), including an ELD and SAI teachers
- HS Committee comprised of 17 science teachers including Co-Teaching partners, ELD, and SAI teachers
- November 2021: Committee met to develop a mission & vision and review the CA Toolkit for Instructional Materials Evaluation
- March 2022: Pre-Screening
- Fall 2022-Spring 2023: Pilot

Rationale:

- Highlights of accessibility supports/UDL:
 - Online resources
 - Better visuals & diagrams
 - Electronic/digital textbook w/ Stemscores
 - Resources available in Spanish
 - Differentiated labs & Reading Science texts provided at different lexile levels
 - Picture vocabulary, graphic organizers, & collaborative activities
 - Intervention strategies for supporting range of student groups

Grades 9-12 History/Social Science - SAVVAS

Process/Timeline:

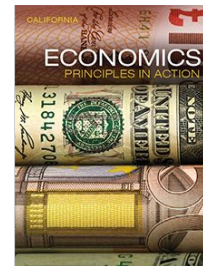
- Committee included 15 teachers, 4 ELD teachers, 2 SAI teachers
- August 19, 2022 - Pre-Screening of materials
- September 2, 2022 - McGraw Hill pilot initiated
- January 11, 2023 - Evaluation of Mc-Graw Hill / SAVVAS training
- January 24, 2023 - SAVVAS pilot initiated
- March 30, 2023 - Materials selected

Rationale:

- Texts and activities include contributions of historically under-represented groups
- Highlights of accessibility supports/UDL:
 - Interactive maps/timelines, audio component, with various language options, allows for students to go back and forth when answering questions, and extend timelines/due dates available
 - Digital Access - ability to review at varying pace, individualized instruction based on level of comprehension
 - Teacher can adjust speed of audio and reading lexile level
 - Spanish language translations available
 - Charts/pictures/graphics provide context and info in varying ways



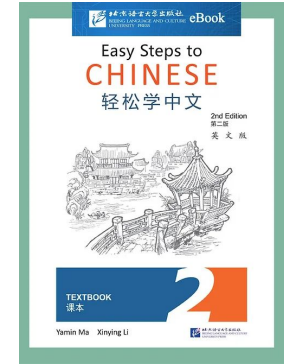
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Grades 9-12: Chinese Honors 3 and Anthropology

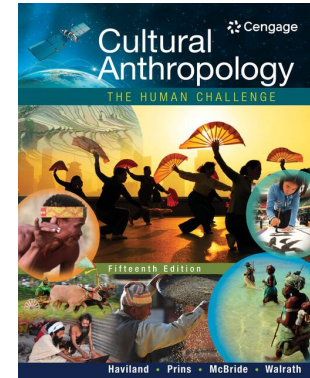
Chinese 3 Honors - “Easy Steps to CHINESE Volume 2”

- Piloted materials August 24, 2022 to December 31, 2022
- Easier for students to learn, More concise to teach.
- Current Supplemental Material for Chinese CP 1, 2, 3 with great success



Anthropology - “Cultural Anthropology - The Human Challenge 15th Ed..”

- Piloted materials August 24, 2022 to Dec 31, 2022
- Easy to read, came in print as well as digital, newer edition of textbook currently approved curriculum.



Summary

Subject Area	Grade Levels	Proposed Materials (<i>Publisher</i>)	Estimated Cost
Social Science	TK-5	MyWorld (<i>SAVVAS</i>)	\$873,302
Science	6-12	STEMscopes CA-NGSS 3D - Earth & Space Science, Life Science, and Physical Science (<i>STEMscopes</i>) STEMscopes CA-NGSS 3D - Earth Science and Biology (<i>STEMscopes</i>) Experience Chemistry (<i>SAVVAS</i>) Physics In Universe CA (<i>Houghton Mifflin Harcourt</i>)	\$1,522,290
History / Social Science	9-12	Interactive World History, U.S. History, American Government, and CA Economics (<i>SAVVAS</i>)	\$905,215
Chinese 3 Honors	9-12	Easy Steps to Chinese Vol 2 (<i>Beijing Language and Culture Univ. Press</i>)	\$2,728
Anthropology	9-12	Cultural Anthropology: The Human Challenge 15th ed. Print only (<i>Cengage</i>)	\$4,590

Next Steps

Grade-span materials available at school site offices, and all materials available at District Educational Center

Webinar preview available on April 25, 2023

Proposed approval by the Board of Education on May 3, 2023

Order instructional materials and provide teacher training



Questions?

