



## TUCSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

MEETING      August 14, 2018  
OF:

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TITLE:              Approval of Supplemental Materials Handwriting Without Tears

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ITEM #:            2

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Information:

Study:

Action:            X

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### PURPOSE:

The Curriculum Department requests the approval of the program, Handwriting Without Tears from Learning Without Tears to be used as supplemental materials for handwriting instruction.

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### DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

The Handwriting Without Tears curriculum provides developmentally appropriate, multi sensory strategies for writing. The program follows research of how children learn best and includes materials that address all styles of learning. The program promotes written communication in the classroom that help ensure early handwriting mastery to build a more efficient classroom. In 2016, the state added Writing Foundations Standards to the ELA Standards. Our current textbook adoption and supplemental resources do not include materials to teach handwriting skills.

Denise Sheakley from Learning Without Tears, along with Michelle Merrick, K-8 Literacy Coordinator, will present the information and answer questions.

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### BOARD POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:

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### LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS:

For all Intergovernmental Agreements (IGAs), Initiator of Agenda Item provides the name of the agency responsible for recording the Agreement after approval:

For amendments to current IGAs, Initiator provides original IGA recording number:

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Legal Advisor Signature (if applicable)

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BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS:

Budget Certification (for use by Office of

65,808.51	District Budget
173,837.09	State/Federal Funds
	Other
<u>Budget Cost</u>	<u>Budget Code</u>
173,837.09	610.550.1000.6643.5040.00000.5040
65,808.51	610.100.1000.6642.5042.00000.5042

Financial Services only):

Date 08-09-18  
I certify that funds for this expenditure in the amount of \$239,645.60 are available and may be:  
☒ Authorized from current year budget  
Authorized with School Board approval  
Code: Fund:

INITIATOR(S):

Dr. Giovanna Grijalva, Interim Senior Director of Curriculum Development 8/6/2018

Name	Title	Date
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DOCUMENTS ATTACHED/ ON FILE IN BOARD OFFICE:

<b>ATTACHMENTS:</b>
Click to download
<a href="#">Presentation</a>
<a href="#">HWT Efficacy</a>
<a href="#">K-3 Quote</a>
<a href="#">Grades 4-5 Quote</a>
<a href="#">HWT Textbook Supplemental Materials Request</a>

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