

# MEMORANDUM



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August 12, 2020

Subject: Alternate Purchase: 128-2021 MATHia by Carnegie Learning (RFP 34-1920)

**Recommendation:**

Approve issuance of a purchase order to Carnegie Learning of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, in the estimated amount of \$101,000.00 plus tax for District Wide MATHia access for grades 7 and 8 math students for the 2020-21 school year.

**Background:**

After completing an RFP process including a review of several demonstrations by a district evaluation team consisting of middle school teachers, building administrators and district leadership, it was decided to recommend to the School Board acquisition of Carnegie Learning's MATHia licenses for Grades 7 and 8.

This solution was chosen for its ability to assess students and the mastery of grade level learning standards in Math. Valuable support and reporting to teachers to adjust their instruction for individual student needs is also offered by this product.

The district evaluation committee appreciated how MATHia allows teachers to support students in their practice of math independently, as they need a resource that can connect conceptual understanding, provide feedback, assess prior knowledge, and provide teachers with reports that can inform intervention. MATHia also already supports our adopted Carnegie math curriculum at the high school level which the committee thought is a valuable transition support for students moving from middle school to high school.

Also included in the total cost is access for high school students maintaining digital access that has been in place since the Carnegie Learning curriculum was adopted.

The Purchase will include a 31% discount from standard single year MATHia access pricing negotiated during the adoption of the curriculum, plus an additional 16% discount negotiated for this upcoming school year. The purchase will be paid out of the General Fund.