

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
SYNOPSIS AGENDA/EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

CODE:	<u>SLA-02</u>
COMMITTEE:	<u>SLA</u>
DATE:	<u>December 2, 2025</u>

SUBJECT/TITLE

Report of Recommendations from the Instructional Materials Advisory Committee for the 2026 Adoption Cycle

PURPOSE OF REPORT/REGULATION/ITEM

The duties of the State Board of Education's (SBE) Instructional Materials Advisory Committee (IMAC) require that recommendations be made to the SBE relative to instructional materials needs for South Carolina public schools. These recommendations submitted for SBE approval include:

- Subject areas to be opened for the 2026 instructional materials adoption cycle,
- Subject areas with contracts that need extending for a one-year period FY 2026–27,
- 2026 instructional materials adoption calendar of events.

CRITICAL FACTS

Subject Areas to Be Opened for the 2026 Instructional Materials Adoption Cycle

The subject area recommendations are based on the cyclical review schedule for SC College and Career Standards and Career and Technical Education (CTE) recent standards updates, course demand, district CTE leaders' voice, ExcelinEd study focus, and the High Priority Occupation (HPO) designation by the SC Department of Employment and Workforce. Materials reviewed as part of the 2026 adoption process will be submitted to the SBE for approval in December 2026. The SBE-adopted materials will be available for classroom use for the 2027–28 school year if adequate funding is provided by the General Assembly.

Subject areas with contracts that need extending for a one-year period FY 2026–27

The attachment outlines the subject areas that have instructional materials contracts that are recommended for extension for a one-year period, covering June 1, 2026, through May 31, 2027.

2026 Instructional Materials Adoption Calendar of Events

2026 Calendar of Events outlines the major events of the instructional materials adoption process.

TIMELINE/REVIEW PROCESS

December 2025	IMAC recommendations for the 2026 adoption for FY 2027–28 presented to the SBE.
January 2026	Call for Bids with bidding instructions disseminated to publishers with the Intent to bid deadline for vendors.
March 2026	SBE receives for approval the recommendation for the appointments to the Review Panels.
June 2026	Review panels convene to begin reviewing digital materials
July 2026	Review process continues with print materials by July 15
August 2026	Review Panel Complete with recommendations
September 2026	Review panels meet to deliberate as needed
October 2026	Public review
November 2026	Public review ends. Samples of TCC due November 2
Nov. 16-Dec.11, 2026	Safari Montage provides publishers with feedback on submitted samples.
December 2026	State Board approval of High-Quality Instructional Materials (HQIM)

ECONOMIC IMPACT

COST: \$50,000

FUND/SOURCE: Revenue

ATTACHMENTS

Attachments: ☒ yes ☐ no

(attachments must be submitted with synopsis)

Name of Attachments:

1. Instructional Materials Adoption by Subject Area Priority
2. One year Contract Extensions list

RECOMMENDATION

The SCDE recommends the SBE approve of the Instructional Materials Advisory Committee priority list for the 2026 Adoption Cycle.

ACTION REQUEST

FOR APPROVAL:

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FOR INFORMATION ONLY:

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