BULLITT COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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TO: Dr. Jesse Bacon, Superintendent

FROM: Dr. Adrienne Usher, Assistant Superintendent
             Dr. Brandy Howard, Chief Academic Officer

RE: Curriculum/Instructional Resources, etc. Approval

DATE: November 15, 2023

As of July 25, 2022, the Superintendent will oversee all curriculum, textbooks, instructional materials, and student support services per changes in Kentucky Revised Statutes (KRS 160.345). The curriculum in each school shall be designed to achieve student capacities established by KRS 158.645 and the school goals established by KRS 158.6451. The curriculum shall comply with all applicable state and federal statutes and regulations.
In any school administered under the provisions of KRS 160.345, the Superintendent shall determine which curriculum, textbooks, instructional materials, and student support services shall be provided in the school after consulting with the Board, the Principal, and the school council and after a reasonable public review and response period for all stakeholders. The attached documentation provides details on the following.

- School/Location
- Name of program or department requesting curriculum
- Applicable research and/or evidence-based findings for this curriculum (What Works ClearingHouse, EdReports, etc.)
- Explanation of curriculum materials including purpose, when will be utilized, content area, etc.
- Date of minimum two-week public stakeholder review by staff, parents, and the school community
- Review/approval date by Assistant Superintendent and/or Chief Academic Officer

Approval is requested of curriculum and/or instructional resources for district wide use along with several schools.

Email Address	School	Please provide what specific program and/or department is the request for, if applicable.	Curriculum Material Name (software, textbooks, instructional materials, support services, etc.)	Please provide applicable research and/or evidence-based findings for this curriculum (What Works Clearing House, EdReports, etc.)	Explanation of Curriculum Materials including purpose, when will be utilized, which content/behavior, etc. (link website and/or information)	Provide dates of when a minimum of a 2-week public stakeholder review by staff, parents, and the school community occurred on the school website.	Date when principal consulted/discussed with SBDM Council (if applicable)		Asst Super/CAO Approval
						08/07/2023-9/07/2023	10/18/2023	Joe Pat Lee	AU 10.24.23
joe.lee@bullitt.kyschools.us	BCHS	Math	Software	https://www.techoropse.com/blog/kuta-software/#:~:text=Kuta%20Software%20is%20an%20excellent.tools%20to%20help%20them%20succeed. https://www.kutasoftware.com/		9/10/23-10/1/23	10/18/2023	Joe Pat Lee	AU 10.24.23
joe.lee@bullitt.kyschools.us	BCHS	The entire math department	Delta Math	https://www.deltamath.com/about	https://www.commonsense.org/education/reviews/deltamath	9/4-9/18	10/18/2023	Joe Pat Lee	AU 11.14.23
joe.lee@bullitt.kyschools.us	BCHS	English, Science, Social Studies,	vocabulary.com software	https://www.vocabulary.com/	Across all content areas.	11/17/2023	11/9/2023	Amanda Nokes	BH 11.7.23
amanda.nokes@bullitt.kyschools.us	BLMS	Science	Harvard Science & Cooking and BiteScized Education - instructional materials	Harvard Graduate school of education https://www.gse.harvard.edu/ideas/ed-magazine/22/11/think-scientist	This PBL learning curriculum is part of Harvard's School of Education. Harvard's Bitescized mission is to provide more opportunities for students to connect science to their everyday lives and interests and engage in authentic science practices. Teachers are provided resources, professional development workshops, and community to teach science through food-based phenomena.				
amanda.nokes@bullitt.kyschools.us	BLMS	Science Department	Northwest Earth & Space Science Pathways (NESSP), Artemis ROADS II student challenge	Northwest Earth and Space Sciences Pathways (NESSP) is funded through the NASA Science Mission Directorate. https://science.nasa.gov/	Northwest Earth & Space Science Pathways (NESSP)- Artemis ROADS II student challenge This course is organized around the guiding question, "How can we use experiments, models, and rehearsals here on Earth to understand other solar system objects and plan a successful mission to the Moon?". Each lesson plan is organized around the "5E" instructional model and includes standards alignment information for middle and high school Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS).	11/17/23	11/9/2023	Amanda Nokes	AU 11.14.23
james.slaven@bullit.kyschools.us	CGES	STEM/Science	Generation Genius	https://www.commonsense.org/education/reviews/generation-genius	Generation Genius provides fun videos and lessons for Science and Critical Thinking skills. Our STEM teacher will utilize these as an extension of classroom lessons.	Posted on CGES Website on October 16	10/24/2023	James Slaven	BH 11.7.23
tabbi.echols@bullitt.kyschools.us	EMS	Special Education / MSD	Unique Learning Systems	For research on the efficacy of Unique Learning Systems, please visit: https://www.n2y.com/blog/research-peer-reviews-for-unique-learning-system/#:~:text=In%20multiple%20independent%20research%20studies%2C%20Unique%20Learning%20System,of%20the%20educators%20and%20caregivers%20who%20serve%20them	Unique Learning System is a one-of-kind solution designed specifically to help students with special learning needs master their state's extended standards. From one convenient, cloud-based platform, educators deliver differentiated, standards-aligned content enhanced by powerful assessments, data tools, and evidence-based instructional support. Students from pre-K through transition have the advantage of consistent, high-quality instruction, a motivating interactive learning environment, engaging symbol support, and a path to independence. Unique Learning Systems will be utilized in MSD classrooms.	Oct. 11 - 25	10/16/2023	Tabi Echols	AU 10.24.23
tabbi.echols@bullitt.kyschools.us	EMS	7th Grade Social Studies	Nearpod	For research on the efficacy of Nearpod, please visit: https://nearpod.com/blog/press/	Nearpod is a website and app-based digital tool that lets teachers create slide-based learning resources that are interactive for students to engage with and learn from. Nearpod can also use gamification of information to make learning more engaging and fun. It is also built to work well with lots of pre-existing tools, such as Google Slides, Microsoft PowerPoint, and YouTube. Teachers can easily import media to make a lesson quickly and simply using already existing resources.	Oct. 11 - 25	10/16/2023	Tabi Echols	AU 10.24.23
eric.bristol@bullitt.kyschools.us	FES	4th Grade	TCI Science Alive	https://www.teachtci.com/science/elementary-science/	K-5 science curriculum designed to develop young students' curiosity and inspire them to be tomorrow's explorers.	11/15/2023	11/27/2023	Eric Bristol	BH 11.15.23
eric.bristol@bullitt.kyschools.us	FES	Whole School	Mystery Science	https://mysteryscience.com/	All grades K-5 will utilize Mystery Science during their core Science block in their schedule.	11/15/2023	11/27/2023	Eric Bristol	BH 11.15.23
stevie.trent@bullitt.kyschools.us	MES	K-4 Reading Academy Groups	Literacy Footprints Digital Reader licences	https://www.literacyfootprints.com/pages/about-case-study	K-3 Reading Groups, differentiated and leveled; MTSS 4th and 5th Grade	8/28/2023	10/10/2023	Stevie Trent	BH 11.7.23

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stevie.trent@bullitt.kyschools.us	MES	4th/5th Grade	Boom Learning/ Boom Cards	https://help.boomlearning.com/en/support/solutions/articles/16000122808-research-evidence-of-the-benefits-of-boom-cards-in-instruction-and-intervention#:~:text=%E2%80%9CThe%20use%20of%20BOOM%20cards,115)	Boom Cards are interactive, self-checking digital resources. They are the perfect way for students to stay engaged, responsive, and entertained. Boom cards will be used for content review games in both ECE and general ed classrooms.	8/28/23	10/10/2023	Stevie Trent	BH 11.7.23
stevie.trent@bullitt.kyschools.us	MES	whole school	Brainpop	https://about.brainpop.com/research/	BrainPop is an online platform that our classroom teachers use as a resource to plan for lessons meeting the Kentucky Academic Standards for Social Studies, Science, and Math.	8/28/23	10/10/2023	Stevie Trent	BH 11.7.23
kristi.lynch@bullitt.kyschools.us	NBHS	Delta Math	Delta math is a software used to practice math skills.	The student's skills are tailored to the individual in the practice. As they practice the program pinpoints their specific learning growth area.	Purpose is for practice, lesson enhancement for math and resource math	10/4/23-10/18/23	10/18/2023	Kristi Lynch	BH 11.7.23
tonya.holt@bullitt.kyschools.us	OES	Character Strong - Social Emotional Learning - Schoolwide	Character Strong	Character Strong - This program provides research based curriculum that is focused on developing thoughtful, healthy, and kind human beings while focusing on self-awareness, self-management, social awareness, relationship skills, and responsible decision-making. This program will be purchased through grant funds. Click below for more information. https://drive.google.com/file/d/1a44AIR93XKcZstxSmZg3Ilo3wryKszZ1/view?usp=sharing	Character Strong - This program provides research based curriculum that is focused on developing thoughtful, healthy, and kind human beings while focusing on self-awareness, self-management, social awareness, relationship skills, and responsible decision-making. This program will be purchased through grant funds. Click below for more information. https://drive.google.com/file/d/1a44AIR93XKcZstxSmZg3Ilo3wryKszZ1/view?usp=sharing	October 11 - 25, 2026		Tonya Holt	AU 10.24.23
rebecca.melcher@bullitt.kyschools.us	OMES	All homerooms at Old Mill Elementary	Character Strong/Purposeful People	https://characterstrong.com/resources/purposefull-people-casel-alignment/	This will be our school wide SEL curriculum for the remainder of the 23-24 school year. This program provides a research based curriculum that is focused on fostering the whole child with vertically aligned lessons that teach character and life long success skills. https://characterstrong.com/purposefull-people/	9-6-2023 to 10-16-2023	10/16/2023	Rebecca Melcher	BH 11.14.23
katie.cottner@bullitt.kyschools.us	HMS	Math Department	Maneuvering the Middle	https://www.maneuveringthemiddle.com/school-and-district-information/	https://www.maneuveringthemiddle.com/math-curriculum/	November 2, 2023 to current	11/14/2023	Katie Cottner for Chad Foster	BH 11.14.23
katie.cottner@bullitt.kyschools.us	HMS	Unified Arts / Music Department for use with 6th, 7th, 8th grade band	MakeMusic (formerly, "Smart Music")	https://digitalcommons.kennesaw.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1000&context=teachleaddoc_etd https://digitalcommons.gardner-webb.edu/education_etd/170/	SmartMusic allows students to practice the same music they are actively rehearsing in class while receiving constant feedback through the program. It will tell the student everything from pitch and rhythm accuracy to whether or not they are using appropriate dynamics and style.	November 3, 2023 to current	11/14/2023	Katie Cottner for Chad Foster	BH 11.14.23