



Fayette County Public Schools

Executive Summary Fayette County Public Schools Board Meeting Agenda Item

MEETING: Planning

DATE: 6/9/2025

TOPIC: Benchmark Education Company LLC Express Renewal

PREPARED BY: Jesse Mettelle, Director of Professional Learning

Recommended Action on: 6/23/2025

Action Item for Vote (REGULAR MEETING)

Superintendent Prior Approval: No

Recommendation/Motion: A motion to approve the Benchmark Education Company LLC 2025-2026 contract for Benchmark Express, a K-5 English Language Development (ELD) resource.

Background/Rationale: The Board of Education approved the district's purchase of Benchmark Express in 2024. This is the renewal for Benchmark Express, a K-5 English Language Development (ELD) resource designed to promote effective language learning for multilingual learners. The program offers a seamless extension of the district's K-5 Tier 1 resource, Benchmark Advance, by aligning unit topics, ensuring consistency and support between ELD and core English Language Arts instruction. For younger learners, Benchmark Express includes targeted reviews of K-2 foundational skills, reinforcing phonics and decoding within meaningful contexts. Through explicit instruction in grammar and syntax, students gain a deeper understanding of how English functions across various forms of communication. The curriculum is aligned with WIDA ELD framework standards, supporting diverse learner needs and instructional goals. This resource will be used by K-5 EL teachers to differentiate tier 1 instruction and accelerate language development.

Strategic Priority:

- ☒ Student Achievement ☐ Unity, Belonging & Student Efficacy
- ☒ Highly Effective, Culturally Responsive Workforce
- ☐ Outreach & Engagement ☐ Organizational Health & Effectiveness

Data Considerations: This contract provides digital access for all K-5 FCPS multilingual learners. Impact will be measured through formative, interim, and summative assessments.

Policy: 01.11

Fiscal Impact: \$67,530.00

Attachments(s): Quote; Contract.