



DATE: August 3, 2022

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Mrs. Carmen Ghysels, Superintendent Chief Learning Officer

SUBJECT: Approve Adoption of High School Drama Instructional Materials

PRESENTED BY: Kerstin Kramer, Executive Director of Educational Services

ACTION REQUESTED

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

It has been well over fifteen years since we have adopted a new text for Drama at the high school level. In this process, the drama teacher-reviewed several texts and piloted two over the course of six months.

As a result of the pilot process, the following textbook is recommended:

Revel™ Explore Theatre:

Revel™ *Explore Theatre* is a fully digital introduction to theatre that gets students excited about what's happening on stage around the world today. Revel is an interactive learning environment that enables students to read, practice, and study in one continuous experience. Authors Michael O'Hara, Elizabeth Osborne, and Judith Sebesta present thorough coverage of both theatre history and recent dramatic and musical works. Seamless integration of engaging videos and interactive content throughout the narrative turns students into digital audience members who can better grasp the relationships between text, actor, and audience. The 2nd Edition includes updated videos, interactives, and examples drawn from recent hit productions such as *Hamilton* and *Fun Home*.

RESOURCES REQUIRED: Lottery

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