



K-12 SOCIAL STUDIES
INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS REVIEW COMMITTEE
 November 7, 2023 – Wakeland Support Center
 8:00 – 3:00 pm
Elementary Session Garden Conference Room

	Topic Discussion	Notes and Action Items
1.	Opening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Alison Nichols, Director-Elementary Curriculum opened meeting at 8:07AM</i> • <i>Assigned Groups</i> Designated Areas and seating. • <i>WIFI Instructional</i> Login information provided and reviewed. • <i>Overview of Committees</i> • <i>Agenda Review</i>
2.	Public Comment (3-minute time limit) (No response will be given)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>No public comment this morning</i>
3.	General Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Evaluator Protocol</i> • <i>Affidavit Review</i> • <i>Instructional Material Review</i> 20 minutes presentation Q&A 5-10 minutes Review 30 minutes
4.	Publisher Presentations, Q & A, Evaluations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u><i>Gallopade-Presentation (815-835AM)</i></u> • <i>Publisher Highlights:</i> Only Available in FL, GA, LA, VI, TN, OH • <i>Q&A – (835-845AM)</i> <i>New textbook every year?</i> Yes <i>Assessment Online?</i> Yes <i>Printable?</i> Yes <i>Interactive Activities graded right away?</i> Yes, only online not self-graded <i>Online platform:</i> HTML connected <i>Reading Accommodation?</i> Audio or translate <i>How many languages is this offered?</i> 26 languages <i>AI integration?</i> No. Licensing in process and AI integration will be added. <i>How will upgrades affect purchaser:</i> All upgrades to the system are FREE to purchaser. <i>Item analysis?</i> Each item is connected to analysis, so it is only connected to Social Studies Chat Feature: Teacher to student only, public viewing, deactivate feature

Reteach available? Yes

Estimated times designed for each block?

25-30 minute (2nd -3rd grade)

45 minute (4th grade)

Are pages in the student books removable?

Student books have perforated pages OR for ease of access students can always sign in digitally

Presenters favorite feature? Program meets standards without all the fluff. Items are specific to area standard and content.

Does every grade level including special programs have the same images available in the packets? Each grade level has the images (ESOL, ELL. EIP included)

Are log in information available? Login information are included with packets or on EdCredible.

- ***Evaluation Time (845-915)***

- ***Nystrom-Presentation (915-935AM)***

- ***Publisher Highlights:***

Only has Social Studies programs/
Literacy Focus/Multi-modal

- ***O&A- (935-945AM)***

How many of the level books do you receive? 4 levels each that consist of 8 lessons each

Activity cards available online? No

Alternative languages available? Currently, we only have it in Spanish, however we are working on updating our systems to included other languages.

Does every student get a book? Yes, the consumable version of the books are available to all students.

Are globes and maps provid each year? 6 student globes (made for group study), desk maps are available per student, and raised maps are provided 8 per group. All items are reusable (mark and erase).

Digital activities designed for just student use? No, this is to be in combination with teacher instruction.

Online availability for the Standards? Yes, with each lesson teachers can review how the lesson being presented is aligned with the specific standard.

How long is each lesson? Depending on the assignment type (reading only, writing only, combination of reading and writing), lessons usually take about 35-40 minutes from start to finish.

- ***Evaluation Time (945-1015AM)***

- **Analytic Orange- Presentation (1015-1035AM)**

- ***Publisher Highlights”***

Designed for teachers by teachers/Florida Based 4-part format program (student edition, student consumable, teacher edition and teacher consumable)

Built on the districts specific LMS

Program does not collect school data.

Information is given to district for individual hold.

Slide shares can be customized and given to the district for access.

Available in English, Spanish and Haitian

- **Q&A-(1035-1045AM)**

What multi-sensory components are available for K? Workbooks have motor skill activity but not voice or song. However, in the patriotic section of lessons, there are songs that go along with the lessons.

Assessments available? Digital and paper available.

Reteach available? No but there are guidelines

Students have access to textbook? Yes, they can go in Schoology. Slide shares will read the activity to the students

How many languages does the snap and share have? Snap and share have over 100 languages available for use.

If book is lost what can we do? We give the District access to the information that is provided, and the District will make it available for teachers to use.

How many languages are the flashcards in?

English, Spanish, and Haitian (Russian is currently in process).

Presenters feature: Brand new company, made of teachers.

- **Evaluation Time (1045-1115AM)**

- **TCI- Presentation (1245-105PM)**

- ***Publisher Highlights:*** (Teachers Curriculum Institute)

Materials meet FL. Standards

National Company

- **Q&A-(105-115PM)**

Are journals replaced each year? Yes.

Are many of your program's hands on? We do have a lot of hands-on activities. Using the activity with the classroom instruction brings the activities to life.

Are online activities available for students to take home? Online activities are also available in their hands on journal(s).

Does Benchmarks offer reports for teachers to view? Yes, on the overview page.

How long is each lesson supposed to take? On average about 3 weeks. However, each lesson should take an average of 90 minutes (about 1 and a half hours). But each lesson can be customized to your students' specific needs. In lesson guides it gives you an overall guideline.

What language are the vocabulary cards written in? Everything is written in English and Spanish. The vocabulary cards are available digitally and can be reimaged according to your needs. Images that are provided can be through the TCI image bank OR you can pull from outside sources.

Are the Benchmarks/Standards listed somewhere on your material? On the back pages of the books

Are the parent letters available on your website? Yes.

Biography of the company? The company has been around for 35 years. Several educators are writing members (meaning they are active authors of the materials).

- **Evaluation Time (115-145PM)**

- **McGraw Hill (145-205PM)**

- ***Publisher Highlights:*** Aligned to Florida Standards
Authentically transcribed in secondary language (Spanish)

- **O&A-(205-215PM)**

Does your program offer Economics? Yes, which will also teach students about money management

How many volumes are available per grade level? 1 volume workbook per grade level

What is Flexible Pacing Pathways? Flexible Pacing Pathways explains how breaking down the content will determine the length of time each section of lessons will require.

Are the younger students allowed to explore the lesson in a less formal format? Yes K-1 have learning activities that are in song.

Performance Assessment customizable? Yes, under the assessment tab, you can choose language, test, and edit if you choose. You can remove questions, change verbiage, or add questions.

Are explore words available to K-1? Vocabulary

		<p>explore words for K-1 are not present. They will learn lessons through word song. These are aligned with ELA.</p> <p><i>Are vocabulary cards available?</i> You can find them by going to- research online program, under explore words tab, virtually available. (not available at this time in physical format)</p> <p><i>Can we review the Standards reports?</i> Yes.</p> <p><i>Does your program have remediation information?</i> <i>No</i>, it will not assign remediation for students as it will be more of a teacher-based decision.</p> <p><i>Favorite part of program:</i> That the program is based on inquiry. When you begin lessons with a question, it engages students in the lesson. It makes them want to participate in the WHY?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Evaluation Time (215-245PM)</u>
5.	Closing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Reminders to the Committee:</u> • <i>Final Evaluation Submissions</i> All Evaluations are due by end of business day: -Thursday November 9, 2023 • <i>Reminder about Prohibited Communications</i> Adoption committee members are prohibited from discussing committee business outside of a noticed public meeting in any way including: -Oral discussions: face to face/in-person, phone, video/teleconference, live chatting, leaving of voicemail or messages. -Written correspondence: letters, faxes, e-mails, text messages, instant messaging, or through other electronic communications (Facebook, Instagram, or other social media platforms) • <i>Next Meeting</i> Adoption Finalist Selection will be taking place on: <i>Monday November 13, 2023</i> <i>@ PSC Room 2051</i> <i>Elementary School 8AM-10AM</i> <i>Middle School 1030AM-1230PM</i> <i>High School 130PM-330PM.</i> • <i>Items of discussion during the meeting:</i> Review Committee Evaluation Data Finalists Selections • <i>Alison Nichols, Director Elementary Curriculum, thanked committee members and the meeting concluded at 2:45PM</i>