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November 2025

Dear Stakeholders,

The **K-5 English Language Arts (ELA) Curriculum Adoption Committee** is currently seeking dedicated new members. The committee's primary objective is to evaluate and recommend a new resource for adoption that will effectively support K-5 students and teachers in their efforts to meet or exceed grade-level proficiency targets in ELA. The resource adopted by this committee is slated for implementation in the 2026-2027 school year.

The selection of a high-quality ELA curriculum is vital to ensuring all students receive a robust and equitable educational experience. This work directly aligns with the Deer Valley Unified School District's (DVUSD) purpose of providing outstanding educational opportunities and is a key component of our Strategic Plan goal to enhance academic excellence and student achievement.

The committee will include a comprehensive representation of stakeholders, including Kindergarten through 5th Grade ELA Teachers, Gifted ELA Teachers, EL Specialists, Special Education Teachers, Administrators, Literacy Coaches, Instructional Coaches, Parents/Guardians of current or incoming K-5 students, and general Community Members.

Committee meetings are scheduled to be a blend of online and in-person sessions on the following dates:

- November 19th, 2025; 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
  - Zoom
- December 2nd, 2025; 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
  - *In Person - Governing Board Room Central*
- December 12th, 2025; 8:00am 11:00
  - *In Person - Governing Board Room Central*
- February 17th, 2026; 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
  - Zoom
- February 24th, 2026; 6:00pm -8:00pm Governing Board Meeting: Preview Item
- March 10th, 2026; 6:00pm -8:00pm Governing Board Meeting – Action Items

If you are interested in becoming a member of the K-5 ELA Curriculum Adoption Committee, please complete the [DVUSD Committee Volunteer Application](#). For any questions regarding the committee's work or the application process, please contact **Jennifer Louis** at [Jennifer.louis@dvusd.org](mailto:Jennifer.louis@dvusd.org) or **623-445-4901**.

Sincerely,

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