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Otsego Public Schools

Parent/Legal Guardian Notification of Literacy Curriculum in Compliance with MCL 388.1622b(3)(h)

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In accordance with Section 164k(e) of the State School Aid Act, Otsego Public Schools is issuing this notice regarding its K–5 literacy curriculum.

The district's current K–5 literacy curriculum, *Units of Study in Reading*, is not included on the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) Recommended Literacy Materials List. Under Section 164k(e), curricula not included on this list are not designated by MDE as "evidence-based or aligned to state standards" through the recommended list process, "which could negatively impact student academic outcomes".

Michigan law and MDE guidance (MDE Memo), does not require districts to select a curriculum from the MDE list. The list is not exhaustive and represents one method for demonstrating alignment.

Otsego Public Schools will engage in a selection and alignment process to identify a possible new K-5 core literacy curriculum beginning August 2026 with an anticipated completion date of April 2026.

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