



# SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item 11.1e

**Meeting Date:** June 21, 2018

**Subject:** Approve Textbooks for Advanced Placement (AP) World Languages:  
Spanish Language & Culture

- Information Item Only
- Approval on Consent Agenda
- Conference (for discussion only)
- Conference/First Reading (Action Anticipated: \_\_\_\_\_)
- Conference/Action
- Action
- Public Hearing

**Division:** Academic Office/Multilingual Education and Advanced Placement  
Departments

**Recommendation:** The Board of Education is requested to approve new textbooks for  
AP Spanish Language & Culture courses

**Background/Rationale:**

AP Spanish Language and Culture is by far the most popular AP World Language course for SCUSD students, offering both native and non-native speakers the opportunities to gain valuable cultural awareness and language fluency. For the 2017-18 school year, 5 high school sites supported at least 142 students in this course.

In 2013, The College Board revised and updated the AP Spanish Language & Culture course guide and end of course exam. At that time textbooks were not uniformly adopted for use in District AP Spanish Language classes. Some teachers have been using materials that were last published in 2005, or they rely on a combination of independently developed resources alongside Spanish Level 4 grammar textbooks. Common instructional materials for this course have not previously been adopted.

Beginning in May 2018, AP World Language teachers (Spanish, French, German, Chinese and Latin) met with Academic Office facilitation to make recommendations and collaboratively select updated text resources for use in their courses. As a result of those meetings, the following recommendation was made:

1. Adopt for AP Spanish Language and Culture: Draggett, et al. Temas: AP Spanish Language and Culture. Vista Higher Learning, 2014.  
ISBN: 978-1-68005-201-5 with Online Supersite Plus (6 year access)

**Financial Considerations:** AP Spanish Language & Culture textbook (with 6 year ebook) \$26,315.75

**LCAP Goal(s):** College, Career, and Life Ready Graduates

**Documents Attached:**

None

**Estimated Time of Presentation:** N/A

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