CAMBRIDGE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

25-168

135 Berkshire Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02141



June 17, 2025

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

CONTRACT: Instructional Materials (FY26 Contract)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the School Committee approve a contract with the following vendor, funds to be provided in accordance with the budget reference listed below. Procurement procedures for this purchase have complied with Chapter 30B of the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

<u>Contractor</u> Amplify Period of Contract 7/1/25-6/30/26

Amount \$208,000.00

55 Washington St, Suite 500 Brooklyn, NY 11201

DESCRIPTION: This contract is for core ELA curriculum (CKLA) across the district, and the Caminos (Spanish curriculum) at the Amigos.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

See attached supplemental information for additional details.

SUPPORTING DATA, RULES OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE: Chapter II, Section 12..." motions calling for the appropriation or expenditure of money require the affirmative vote of four members."

BUDGET REFERENCE:

Func	k		Account		Dept.	
				Instructional		General Instruction
1500	00	General Fund	55103	Materials	840148	Support

Respectfully Submitted,

David Murphy

Interim Superintendent of Schools

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: Amplify - CKLA (English) & Caminos (Spanish)

Purpose: To support continued implementation of Amplify's core ELA curriculum (CKLA) across the district, and the Caminos (Spanish curriculum) at the Amigos. *CKLA* and *Caminos* are comprehensive, research-based ELA programs designed to build students' background knowledge, vocabulary, reading, and writing skills through a coherent, content-rich sequence of instruction. Both programs integrate foundational skills with knowledge-building units, and are aligned with the science of reading.

Amount of Contract: \$208,000.00

Description and Scope of Services:

This contract supports both annual and one-time instructional material needs for Grades 1–5, including general education, Dual Language, SEI, Montessori, and substantially separate classrooms (SCALE, etc.).

- All Schools (Grades 1–5): Annual purchase of CKLA Student Activity Books, which include access to the Amplify digital Hub for teachers and students, featuring professional learning resources and tools for assessment, intervention, and acceleration.
- Specialized Classrooms: One-time purchases of Complete Classroom Kits for multi-grade, substantially separate, and SEI settings where multiple grade-levels must be taught concurrently. These kits ensure access to all necessary non-consumable materials and will not require future replacement.
- Amigos School: One-time purchase of Caminos/Lectura Spanish Phonics Kits for Kindergarten, aligning
 with the grade 1–5 Caminos curriculum. Kits include manipulatives, Big Books, Spanish readers and
 additional materials necessary to implement the program. Student Activity Books provide print + digital
 access to supplemental Spanish lessons, assessments, and teacher supports.
- Replacement Materials: Includes replenishment of lost or damaged books and/or non-consumable items based on request.