



The Fullerton Joint Union High School District (District) is in the process of evaluating high school English/Language Arts (ELA) curriculum and will pilot two ELA programs aligned with the State Board of Education Guidelines for piloting textbooks and instructional materials.

This collaborative and research-based process reflects the curricular needs of District teachers and students. The process began with developing a steering committee of teachers and administrators to guide the direction of the pilot and future recommendation to the Board.

Key elements of the process include:

- Forming a steering committee consisting of teacher and administrator representatives from each District high school. The initial task of the steering committee is to analyze potential ELA programs and identify two for the Districtwide pilot. The steering committee has been formed and two programs have been chosen.
- The two chosen standards-based programs will be piloted and evaluated in at least two classrooms on each campus. Piloting materials in identified classrooms is expected to begin in the middle of October 2016 and continue through the middle of December 2016. The pilot will include teachers of students with exceptional needs, English Language Learners, and teachers leading college preparatory classes.
- The teachers will evaluate data based on student and teacher experiences in using the identified programs, as well as classroom observations of pilot curriculum implementation. Thereafter, teachers will collaboratively propose a recommendation for a high school ELA program. A recommendation to the Board of Trustees is expected in Spring of 2017.
- Implementation of the Board-approved ELA program is projected to commence in Fall of 2017.

The District appreciates your feedback and patience as we embark on the process and is committed to providing ongoing communication throughout the entire pilot and adoption process. If you have any questions, feel free to contact your campus Assistant Principal in charge of Instruction and Operations.

The two pilot curricula will be available for viewing at the District in the Education and Assessment Services office.

Publisher Websites for Pilot Programs:

HMH, California Collections

<http://www.hmhco.com/country/us/california/ela-eld>

Pearson, My Perspectives

[www.pearsonschool.com/myperspectives](http://www.pearsonschool.com/myperspectives)

Information on the California State Standards

<http://www.cde.ca.gov/re/cc/>

Key Shifts in English Language Arts

<http://www.corestandards.org/other-resources/key-shifts-in-english-language-arts/>