



Dr. Dan A. Sims, Superintendent

ACTION MEMORANDUM

To: Bibb County Board of Education, Dr. Dan A. Sims, Superintendent
From: Dr. Ethel Lett, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning
Olena Stadnik-Floore, Director of Elementary Services
Subject: Renewal of Amira Learning

Summary

Amira Learning is an evidence-based digital platform that provides one-on-one reading tutoring, oral reading fluency assessments, and dyslexia risk screening for students in grades K–5. Utilizing advanced speech recognition and artificial intelligence, Amira listens as students read aloud, records the session, and generates a precise running record free from subjectivity or testing bias. In real time, Amira delivers over 25 research-based “micro-interventions” tailored to the student’s reading level and specific errors, offering immediate corrective feedback to accelerate skill development and reading growth.

Background

Amira functions as an always-available, highly trained virtual reading tutor that supports classroom instruction and extends learning at home. The platform listens attentively as students read aloud, detecting errors and providing immediate, personalized support to target phonics, decoding, and fluency skills. Amira empowers teachers with actionable, real-time data through comprehensive reports that highlight student progress and instructional needs. Research indicates that Amira’s tutoring capabilities yield growth comparable to that achieved through one-on-one instruction with a certified human tutor.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Bibb County Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to approve the purchase of Amira for use during the 2025-2026 school year in an amount not to exceed \$255,300 from General funds.

Superintendent’s Comments and Approval

Superintendent’s Comments	Approved / Not Approved
Dr. Dan A. Sims	Approved