

Oak Park and River Forest High School

District 200

201 North Scoville Avenue • Oak Park, IL 60302-2296

TO: Board of Education
FROM: Instruction Committee of the Board of Education and Phil Prale, ASCI
DATE: May 22, 2014
RE: Presentation of Instructional Materials for Approval and Adoption

BACKGROUND

At its May 13, 2014 meeting, the Instruction Committee of the Board of Education reviewed the instructional materials presented for approval for the 2014 – 2015 year. The Instruction Committee recommended that the Board review and approve the instructional materials at its regular Board meeting, May 22, 2014.

- The English Division recommends use of the following books:
 - Our America: Life and Death on the South Side of Chicago (Lealon Jones and Lloyd Newman) for Literacy Support 10. This book was provisionally approved through the spring semester of the 2005-2006 school year.
 - A Lesson Before Dying (Ernest J. Gaines) for 113: English 1-2. This book was provisionally approved through the spring semester of the 2013-2014 school year.
 - 50 Essays: A Portable Anthology (Samuel Cohen) for 129: American Literature/AP Language and Composition. This book was provisionally approved through the spring semester of the 2013-2014 school year.
 - The Silence of Our Friends: The Civil Rights Struggle was Never Black and White (Long, Demonakos, and Powell) for 133: American Literature. This book was provisionally approved through the spring semester of the 2013-2014 school year.
 - Salvage the Bones (Jesmyn Ward) for 134E American Studies. This book was provisionally approved through the spring semester of the 2012-2013 school year.
 - Christine Falls (Benjamin Black) for 137 English Literature/AJ. This book was provisionally approved through the spring semester of the 2013-2014 school year.
 - Endangered (Eliot Schrefer) and Vocabulary Power Plus for the ACT (Daniel A. Reed) for 144: English Literature. These books were provisionally approved through the spring semester of the 2013-2014 school year.
 - Tenth of December (George Saunders) for 145: AP College English: Literature and Composition.
 - The Red Tent (Anita Diamant) for 1791/1792: LIT: Women's Literature (and WL Honors). This book was provisionally approved through the spring semester of the 2013-2014 school year.
- The History Division recommends use of the following books for 376/2: Sports and Resistance in American History. Both books were provisionally approved through the spring semester of the 2013-2014 school year.
 - A People's History of Sports in the U.S. (Dave Zirin)
 - What's My Name, Fool? Sports and Resistance in the U.S. (Dave Zirin)
- The Fine and Applied Arts Division recommends use of the following book for 102/2: Radio/Sound Production. This book was provisionally approved through the spring semester of the 2013-2014 school year.
 - Logic Pro X: Professional Music Production (David Nahmani)

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- The Science and Technology Division recommends use of the following iBook for 521: Models of Physics. This iBook was provisionally approved through the spring semester of the 2013-2014 school year.
 - Kinematics (Sam Henderson)

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

The instructional materials have been in use by teachers in their classrooms under provisional approvals, and we are requesting formal Board approval for continued use. The Instruction Committee endorsed by a vote of 3 - 0 the recommendation and to bring the instructional materials forward to the full Board of Education for approval at the regular Board meeting on May 22, 2014.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the use of these instructional materials in these courses.

MOTION: Move to approve the use of these instructional materials in the courses identified.