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TO: Division Superintendents
FROM: Steven M. Constantino, Ed.D., Acting Superintendent of Public Instruction
SUBJECT: Approval of K-12 Mathematics and K-12 History and Social Science Textbooks

On March 22, 2018, the Virginia Board of Education received the [Final Review of Proposed State Approved Textbooks for K-12 Mathematics](#) (Word) and the [Final Review of Proposed State Approved Textbooks and Resources for K-12 History and Social Science](#) (Word). The Board of Education took action to approve the list of proposed mathematics textbooks and history and social science textbooks. The Department of Education has published revised lists of approved textbooks on its [Mathematics Textbooks & Instructional Materials](#) and [History and Social Science Textbooks & Instructional Materials](#) webpages in accordance with Section 22.1-238 of the *Code of Virginia* ➔.

The Board of Education's authority for approving textbooks or other instructional materials is prescribed in the Constitution of Virginia ([Article VIII, § 2](#) ➔). A comprehensive overview of the current textbook review process, along with the Regulations Governing Local School Boards and School Divisions, are available in [Virginia's Textbook Review Process](#) (PDF).

The *Code of Virginia* permits local school boards to use textbooks not approved by the Virginia Board of Education. If a local school board opts to use a textbook not approved by the Board of Education, a local textbook review process should be conducted that includes components similar to the state level review. The [Guidelines for Local Textbook Approval](#) (PDF), updated by the Board of Education in September 2011, provide additional information.

Questions regarding approved K-12 mathematics textbooks should be directed to Tina Mazzacane, Mathematics Coordinator, by email at Tina.Mazzacane@doe.virginia.gov ✉ or by telephone at (804) 225-4849. Questions regarding the K-12 History and Social Science textbooks should be directed to Christonya Brown, History and Social Science Coordinator, by email at Christonya.Brown@doe.virginia.gov ✉ or by telephone at (804) 225-2893.

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