Section 35m Tier 1 Early Literacy Materials and Series (PK-5)

Section 35m of the FY 2025 state School Aid Act provides $87 million to Michigan Department of Education (MDE) to create a Committee for Literacy Achievement (CLA) and to allocate funding based on a rankings list of literacy tools and strategies as recommended by the CLA, with the goal of increasing student academic outcomes in the area of literacy.

The CLA has critically evaluated these literacy tools and strategies using three categories: 1) literacy series and materials, 2) professional development, and 3) tools and services submitted via a Request for Submissions process to make recommendations for a grade tier rankings list.

These evaluations resulted in three rankings lists: Tier 1 Early Literacy Curriculum Materials and Series, Early Literacy Interventions, and Professional Development, and used the rankings list as the basis for how funding is allocated to districts and intermediate districts. Districts will apply for funding for one literacy item from one of the ranking lists.

The Tier 1 Early Literacy Materials and Series were evaluated using The Reading League Curriculum Evaluation Guidelines, EdReports 2.0 Review Criteria, and ESSA Tiers of Evidence. Below is the rankings list of all Tier 1 Early Literacy Materials and Series that met the criteria to receive Section 35m funding. The ranking order and a link to the consensus scoring document is also included.

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Rankings Order	Materials/Series Name	Consensus Scoring Document
1	Amplify CKLA, 3rd Edition (2025)	Amplify CKLA Consensus Scoring Document
2	Really Great Reading: Countdown (2023); Blast Foundations (2023); & HD Word (2023)	Really Great Reading Consensus Scoring Document
3	95 Phonics Core Program, First Edition	95 Phonics Consensus Scoring Document
4	IMSE Orton-Gillingham Plus (OG+), 2025	OG+ Consensus Scoring Document
5	Imagine Learning EL Education Edition 1 (2019)	Imagine Learning EL Consensus Scoring Document
5	Wit & Wisdom (K-5 Core ELA program) and Geodes (K-3 Decodable Texts)	Wit & Wisdom and Geodes Consensus Scoring Document
6	HMH Into Reading, 2025	HMH Into Reading Consensus Scoring Document
6	Story Champs 2.0 (2018)	Story Champs 2.0 Consensus Scoring Document
7	UFLI Foundations, 1st Edition	UFLI Foundations Consensus Scoring Document
7	Magnetic Reading Foundations, 2023	Magnetic Reading Foundations Consensus Scoring Document
8	Collaborative Literacy, 3rd Edition	Collaborative Literacy Consensus Scoring Document