

NOTICE OF SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT

Date: Tuesday, July 07, 2009

Vendor/Contractor: Prentice Hall

Contract Amount: \$171,243.40

Description of Services: A.P. Biology Textbook

Sole Source Determination: Copyrighted materials being purchased from the publisher.

Date of Award: TBD

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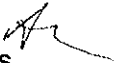
VIRGINIA BEACH CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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*Department of Curriculum and Instruction
Office of Secondary Instructional Services*

MEMORANDUM

TO: Kevin J. Beardsley, Director
Office of Purchasing Services

FROM: Christine W. Caskey, Assistant Superintendent 
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Office of Secondary Instructional Services

SUBJECT: SOLE SOURCE JUSTIFICATION – PRENTICE HALL

DATE: July 6, 2009

The Advanced Placement Biology Textbook Adoption Committee reviewed publishers' catalogs and identified ten textbooks for consideration. Three of the identified textbooks selected for review were found to correlate to the College Board course description for Advanced Placement Biology and the Virginia Beach City Public Schools' objectives for Advanced Placement Biology. The textbooks were reviewed by the Advanced Placement Biology teachers and the public during March to May 2008.

The textbook adoption committee reconvened to review teacher and public comments. Based on this information, the Advanced Placement Biology textbook, *Biology*, was selected, and recommended to the School Board for approval.

This memorandum is to certify that Prentice Hall is the sole provider of the book, *Biology*, and the lab manual, *Investigating Biology*. Virginia Beach City Public Schools has selected this book, as it correlates with The College Board and Virginia Beach objectives for Advanced Placement Biology and emphasizes critical thinking, problem solving and 21st century applications for student learning.

This supports Strategic Plan Objective #1 by engaging every student in meaningful, authentic and rigorous work through the use of innovative instructional practices and supportive technologies that will motivate students to be self-directed and inquisitive learners.

The total purchase price of this book for the district is \$171,243.40.

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Approved: J. Kevin Beardsley 7/7/09
Kevin J. Beardsley, Director Date
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