

To: Dr. Cain and Board of Education
From: Carol Harvey
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Re: Start-Up Library Book Collection for Journey

The Purchasing Department had a bid opening on June 25, 2020 for the “Start-Up Library Book Collection” for Journey Elementary. The bid was advertised in the paper and was placed on Vendor Registry. The amount allotted for the bid was \$100,000. There were many specifications in the bid including beginning readers to young adults, fiction, non-fiction and different genres. Also included were specifications for book processing. The district received three bids; Follett, Mackin and Children’s Plus. Please see below for the bid tally:

Vendor	Number of Book Titles	Start-Up Collection Cost	Additional Incentives
Follett	7,675	\$96,702.00	\$2500 in Makerspace products
Mackin	8,104	\$99,821.12	\$3000 in print or digital products
Children's Plus	7,939	\$100,000.12	\$0

We would like to recommend Mackin to be awarded the “Start-Up Library Collection” bid for Journey Elementary with a total of 8,104 titles. Mackin also offered Journey \$3,000 in additional titles to use throughout the 2020-2021 school year.