Office of Early Learning
Florida Department of Education

2018 Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) Education Program Curriculum Approval Process
Our Featured Solution

We are a learning science company that is driven by a vision to help unlock the full potential of each learner.

At McGraw-Hill, we believe that by harnessing technology and applying what we know about learning science, we can enhance learning and create powerful personalized learning experiences. We can play an integral role, alongside educators, schools, universities and a wide range of educational institutions, in helping people learn better and achieve more. Our contribution to creating a brighter future lies within our deep understanding of the learning process and how the mind develops. Based on this, methods are developed to make the learning process more effective and applied to our digital and print solutions. We apply all of this when creating digital and print solutions that empower educators and propel learners on a path toward success.

For our submission we bring a unique combination of high-quality PreK content and technology that’s been proven effective – woven together with an understanding of the science of learning. World of Wonders provides developmentally appropriate instruction for PreK students, including cross-curricular activities, focus on socio-emotional development, and preparation for the high standards of kindergarten. World of Wonders is a literacy-based program including cross-curricular support for mathematics, science, social studies, music, and more. In every theme-based unit, students will build familiarity with the essential pre-reading skills, background knowledge and classroom routines that will make them successful in future years. An overview of the program has been provided within our response.
Build a Strong Early Learning Foundation

*World of Wonders* is an early childhood comprehensive curriculum that provides developmentally appropriate instruction for young learners, ages 3 to 5, including cross-curricular activities, a focus on social-emotional development, and preparation for kindergarten and beyond. In every theme-based unit, students will build familiarity with essential pre-reading skills, background knowledge, and classroom routines that will make them successful in future years.

Teachers have a comprehensive set of materials including Teacher Editions, Big Books, Trade Books, Little Student Readers, Flip Charts, Alphabet Cards, Read-Aloud Anthology with Retelling Cards, Oral Language Cards, Photo Cards, Concept Cards, reproducibles and consumables for student use, assessment tools and rubrics, as well as dynamic and interactive digital tools for students and teachers.

- **Literature Big Books and Social-Emotional Lap Books** present high-quality stories, using bright, engaging illustrations in large format books which children can follow during whole class read-alouds and small-group differentiated instruction.
• **Trade Books, Little Readers, and Pattern Books** provide students with smaller format books that can be read to them in group time, and also put “little books in little hands”, giving children a chance to interact with books individually, helping develop familiarity with print concepts and pre-reading skills on the pathway to literacy.

• **Flip Charts** support instruction in several content areas including literacy and language, and social-emotional development. Their large size and clear images and illustrations make them ideal for classroom display and sharing. Two digital-only flip charts are included for social studies and science.

• A variety of **large and small format cards** (including oral language, alphabet, letters, photos, and concept cards) are used throughout the program to introduce children to letters, sounds and concepts and to support activities for phonological awareness. Large format retelling cards support listening comprehension using stories from the read-aloud anthology. Concept and photo cards are also provided digitally as part of students’ visual glossary.

• **Digital visual resources** include e-books of all literature and digital games which support skills acquisition and practice in areas including phonemic awareness, phonics and early math concepts. Videos for music and movement offer multimedia support and a visual model for children to follow along.

All of these materials are tightly connected to unit themes and weekly focus questions.

*World of Wonders* provides daily explicit lesson plans for the teacher with student learning outcomes for each week of instruction as well as daily focus questions and morning messages for students. *World of Wonders* includes a variety of whole group lessons, differentiated small group lessons and center time with purposeful play prompts to achieve weekly and unit learning goals. *World of Wonders* offers adaptations for English learners and students with special needs, along with practical ideas for adjusting instruction to meet those students.

The weekly planner and daily instructional guidance in *World of Wonders* outline differentiated pathways to address the needs of:

- 3-year-olds and children in need of extra support
- 4-year-olds
- Transitional kindergarten and advanced learners
- English language learners
- Children with special needs (including language delays, cognitive delays, and children on the autism spectrum)

Teachers will also find developmental red flag checks to identify areas of concern that may be delaying student progress.

*World of Wonders*, there are embedded assessment tools for literacy, math, and gross and fine motor skill development. Weekly unit observational checklists measure growth over time across the domains of language and literacy, mathematics, science, social studies, health and safety, personal and
social development, physical development, as well as technology use and fine arts. In addition, World of Wonders encourages school-to-home connections. Family/school letters sent home provide ideas for busy families to be involved in the PreK student’s development. These activities can be done in the car, at mealtime, bed or bath time, and connect to the themes and learning that are taking place in the classroom.

For more information on World of Wonders, please visit: mheducation.com/prek-12

World of Wonders Technology and Online Resources

The Power of Purposeful Technology

To prepare today’s students for school success, a PreK program must be easy to teach, exciting to use, and proven effective with diverse populations of learners. World of Wonders combines research-based instruction with engaging digital tools to prepare students for kindergarten and beyond with developmentally appropriate support. Through intentional instruction, inspiring content, and purposeful technology, World of Wonders prepares all students for school success. Effective literacy learning doesn’t stop at the classroom door. World of Wonders digital resources encourage families to get involved in their children’s instruction. World of Wonders uses technology to engage students in reading, writing, speaking, and listening, and brings skills practice to life both in the classroom and at home.

Resources for Teaching Your Lessons Your Way

World of Wonders presents busy teachers with a user-friendly interface that makes it easy to build engaging lesson presentations tailored to students’ needs. There is a ready-made, customizable lesson presentation for every day based on the teacher’s lesson planner.

- Ready-made lesson presentations re-sequence automatically as you adjust the planner.
- A wealth of resources—from movement videos to digital flip charts to interactive games and activities—help you build presentations.
- Upload your own resources to add your unique perspective to student lessons.
- Built-in tools let you write, draw, and highlight digital lesson materials just as you would with print.
The document should be no more than 10 pages. It must include only the following:

Title of Curriculum Submission

World of Wonders

Logo for Curriculum Submission

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Cost for the curriculum package submitted (curriculum materials+ professional development), including how long the stated cost is expected to remain effective.

Please refer to the included pricing for our 6 year Word of Wonders Bundle.
A detailed list of all materials that have been submitted for review (teacher’s guide, manipulatives, books, assessment, etc.). Each book/manual should include the ISBN number and publication date.

Packaging

Each World of Wonders package contains:

- 1 set Teacher’s Edition (10 volumes)
  - 9 volumes covering units 1-9
  - 1 volume of Teacher’s Choice Mini Units “My Favorite Themes”
- 1 set My Word Book student consumable (20 copies)
- 1 set Trade Books (42 books)
- 1 Read Aloud Anthology
- 1 set of Retelling Cards
- 1 set Literature Big Books (8 big books + Big Book of Nursery Rhymes and Songs)
- 6 sets of Little Readers (36 books per set)
- 1 set Social-Emotional Mini Big Books (8 books)
- 12 sets of Patterned Books (10 books per set)
- 1 set Flip Charts
  - Literacy and Language Flip Chart
  - Social and Emotional Flip Chart
  - Assessment Mini Flip Chart
  - 2 digital flip charts: Social Studies and Science
- 1 set Oral Language, Alphabet, Letter, Photo and Concept Cards
- 1 Teacher Workspace (6-year subscription)
- 20 Student Workspaces (6-year subscription)

Technology Components

- Digital games for skills acquisition and practice in phonemic awareness, phonics, and early math concepts
- eBooks of all literature
- Digital flip charts (as noted above)
- Assessment handbook (PDF) and progress reporting
- School-to-home letters in multiple languages with suggested home activities
- Visual vocabulary cards of oral and concept vocabulary

Suggested Add-Ons

- Manipulatives Kit
  - Many teachers will already have their own manipulatives in the classroom, so this is not a required part of the bundle
- Classroom Library Set – 14 books
This set contains suggested titles for Teacher’s Choice Mini Units, but teachers are encouraged to use their own favorite books for these weeks/themes, so this is not a required part of the bundle.

**Pricing**
- $2999 per classroom (with 6-year digital)
- Manipulatives Kit – pricing TBD
- Classroom Library Set – pricing TBD, pending trade book counts

**ISBNs**
- World of Wonders package ISBN: 0076792048

**Timing**
- Salable in 2016
- Full product available – June 2016 for fall implementation

*Please refer to TAB 5: Publisher’s Professional Development Plan for a listing of all support and implementation options.*

*The overview document must be received electronically in Microsoft Word format no later than the published deadline.*

Please refer to included USB drive for Microsoft Word version of this document.

*The overview document may also indicate if there are materials that would not be needed for a summer program (300 hours). Exclusion of any materials may not substantively change the content, scope and sequence (items rated as outlined in the Specifications document). For example, if there are monthly book sets included, perhaps not all are needed, since the summer program is 240 hours less than the traditional school year program.*

Not applicable. McGraw-hill is happy to provide a compressed pacing plan. However, there would be no change in the required materials.