Texas Resource Review Section VII Publisher Information Form

This form is designed to collect information for LEAs to consider during their review and adoption process. The information in this form relates to Instructional Materials Quality Evaluation (IMQE) rubric section VII and will not be scored. One form will suffice for all grade levels, if the information stays the same. +

Publisher Information

Publisher/Vendor	
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VII.1 Technology

Part 1: Access and Use

Yes	No	Feature/Requirement/Specification	Notes and Additional Information
	X	1. This product is a 1:1 product (digital device-to-student).	It is important to note that students do not access SchoolPace directly for screening. Rather, teachers use the formative assessment tools inside SchoolPace while conferencing with students.
X		2. This product combines print materials and digital materials.	American Reading Company's universal screener, the Independent Reading Level Assessment® (IRLA®/ENIL®) is available in print or as a digital tool inside SchoolPace®, American Reading Company's online

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			performance-management system. During the formative assessment or conferencing process, teachers can access an online version of the IRLA/ENIL to record data about student performance. As data is collected, it is aggregated into student-, classroom-, grade-, school-, district-, and subgroup-level reports and dashboards. It is important to note that students do not access SchoolPace directly for screening. Rather, teachers use the formative assessment tools inside SchoolPace while conferencing with students. In the IRLA and ENIL Resource Centers, teachers can access blackline masters of activities and assignments for student use (e.g., research graphic organizers) to export into Google Classroom, Schoology, Canvas, or other student-facing applications. The Curriculum Resource Center houses ARC Core Digital Frameworks. Digital books for students to read at school and at home are available in eLibraries. IRLA eLibrary subscriptions are accessed and managed with Bookshelf, a free app. Students, teachers, and parents can read digital books online in any web browser or offline using native mobile apps for iPhone, iPad, iPod Touch, Android tablets, and Android phones.
	X	3. This product is digital access only.	
	X	4. Online products can be used offline- students can continue working when internet connection is dropped.	SchoolPace requires an active internet connection.
	X	5. The product automatically syncs when a connection is re-established, and work completed off-line is saved and uploaded.	SchoolPace requires an active internet connection.
	X	6. Students are permitted to use the product on more than one device (e.g. computer at school and a laptop at home).	It is important to note that students do not access SchoolPace directly for screening. Rather, teachers use

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			the formative assessment tools inside SchoolPace while conferencing with students. Teachers, school administrators, and district administrators may use SchoolPace on multiple devices.
X		7. Single sign-on is supported.	SchoolPace supports single sign on (SSO) via Clever Instant Login, ClassLink One Click Login, or native OAuth2.0. American Reading Company works with LEAs and SEAs to meet their needs in regards to single sign-on.
X		8. The product uses the Texas Student Data System (TSDS) with unique IDs for students and staff.	If TSDS IDs are populated during rostering they will be used in SchoolPace.
X		9. Other accounts can be created for support staff.	Support staff and substitute teachers may be granted teacher-level accounts.
X		10. Content exportable (If yes, list file formats that can be exported).	Various content and data can be exported by teachers, school administrators, and district administrators in PDF and CSV file formats.
X		11. Content is printable.	SchoolPace offers PDF exports for a variety of reports. These exports require a PDF viewer. The built-in PDF viewers in macOS 10.1+ and Windows 7+ support the viewing of these PDFs. For older operating systems, any PDF viewer, including Adobe Reader, can be used. In addition, all screens in SchoolPace are printable using your browser's built-in print options.
	X	12. Content is presented in e-book format (If yes, specify format).	
X		13. The product has embedded videos (If yes, specify format, average file size, and number of videos)	Videos are embedded in SchoolPace via YouTube and Vimeo. SchoolPace has over 20 videos embedded in online resource centers. Videos are streamed and vary in size between 50 MB and 3 GB.
	X	14. The produce contains animations.	
	X	15. The product contains simulations (If yes, specify format).	

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X		16. The product contains embedded assessments (If yes, describe assessment format, location, and compatibility with an external LMS).	Within SchoolPace, the Independent Reading Level Assessment (IRLA/ENIL) is used by teachers as a formative assessment instrument. Within the IRLA/ENIL are numerous embedded assessments, administered by the teacher, which gauge student knowledge. In addition, student assessment rubrics are embedded within ARC's digital teacher frameworks. Students do not take these assessments independently, and there are no student-facing item banks to be integrated with an LMS.
X		17. The product platform allows for digital objects (e.g., text, video, simulations, etc.) to be divided and tagged with keywords and standards.	SchoolPace does not contain student-facing text, video or assessments that could be delivered as discrete digital objects.

Part 2: Compatibility

Please complete the table below, marking the box in the second column for each compatible device and noting the oldest and newest associated operating systems for that device.				
Device Type	Mark box if device is compatible	Oldest operating system/version supported	Newest operating system/version supported	Notes
PC	☒	XP	Windows 10	
Windows Tablet	☒	Windows 8	Windows 10	
Mac	☒	macOS 10.5	macOS 10.15	
iPhone	☒	iOS 5	iOS 13	
iPad	☒	iOS 5	iOS 13	

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Device Type	Mark box if device is compatible	Oldest operating system/version supported	Newest operating system/version supported	Notes
Android phone	☒	Android 4	Android 10	
Android tablet	☒	Android 4	Android 10	
Chromebook	☒	ChromeOS 24	ChromeOS 76	
Kindle Fire	☐			
Kindle, other	☐			
Nook	☐			
Other e-reader	☐			
Interactive whiteboard	☐			

Compatibility – Browser and Operating System													Leave 'X' if Applicable		
Browser	Oldest supported browser version	Newest supported browser version	Operating System												
			Mac OS X						Windows				Linux	Chromium	N/A
			10.9	10.10	10.11	10.12	10.13	10.14	XP	7	8.1	10			
Chrome	Dated up to 2 years	Dated up to 2 years	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Firefox	Dated up to 2 years	Dated up to 2 years	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Safari	Dated up to 2 years	Dated up to 2 years	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Edge	Dated up to 2 years	Dated up to 2 years	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	

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Browser	Oldest supported browser version	Newest supported browser version	Operating System												
Internet Explorer 11	Dated up to 2 years	Dated up to 2 years	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Other:_____															

Part 3: Product Format, Installation Requirements, and Support

Yes	No	Feature/Requirement/Specification	Notes and Additional Information
X		1. Browser-based online: Continuous internet connection required.	SchoolPace is a web-based application hosted by American Reading Company and requires an active Internet connection.
	X	2. Plug-ins are required (If yes, list required plug-ins)	SchoolPace offers PDF exports for a variety of reports. These exports require a PDF viewer. The built-in PDF viewers in iOS, Android, macOS and Windows 7+ support the viewing of these PDFs.
	X	3. Downloaded to individual device: One-time internet connection required.	SchoolPace is a web-based application hosted by American Reading Company and requires an active Internet connection.
	X	4. Installed on LAN (district or school server): No internet connection required for teachers, students, or other users.	SchoolPace is a web-based application hosted by American Reading Company and requires an active Internet connection.
	X	5. Infrastructure and software licensing are required (If yes, list requirements and specify if set-up support is provided)).	While there are no explicit network requirements, American Reading Company recommends that schools have a network and WiFi infrastructure that supports simultaneous concurrent website usage by all teachers.

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			SchoolPace, itself, is sold as a yearly subscription, school-wide, with unlimited accounts for educators in each school. There are no other licensing requirements.
	X	6. Server configuration is required (If yes, list requirements and specify if set-up support is provided)).	SchoolPace is a web-based application hosted by American Reading Company and does not require any server configuration.
	X	4. Installed on individual computer (from DVD, flash drive, etc.): No internet connection required. (If yes, estimate time per device required for setup, indicate if support is provided, and if local IT staff is needed).	SchoolPace is a web-based application hosted by American Reading Company and does not require installation on individual computers.
	X	5. The product supports deployment through Mobile Device Management (MDM) systems?	SchoolPace is a web-based application hosted by American Reading Company and does not require deployment operations to be performed by district staff. SchoolPace/eIRLA will run on any mobile browser that supports HTML5, including tablet devices.
X		6. Technical support is provided to districts during initial set-up and deployment. (If yes, specify type of support provided).	Technical support via phone and email is provided at no additional charge. Documentation and online tutorial videos for SchoolPace are provided for no additional charge.
X		7. Technical support is provided during duration of contract (If yes, specify type of support provided).	American Reading Company provides ongoing technical support to staff, students, parents/guardians. Technical support will be provided by Alison Scutta, Digital Products Coordinator at schoolpace@americanreading.com or (610) 992-4150/ toll free (866) 810-2665 M-F 8:00am - 5:00pm ET.

Part 4: Data Security, Access, and Privacy

Yes	No		Notes and Additional Information
X		1. Login authentication uses district protocols to establish common usernames and passwords (If yes, indicate if TSDS staff/student unique ID is used or if other please specify).	SchoolPace supports single sign on (SSO) via Clever Instant Login, ClassLink One Click Login, or native OAuth2.0. American Reading Company works with LEAs and SEAs to meet their needs in regard to single sign-on. If TSDS IDs are populated during rostering, they will be used in SchoolPace.
X		2. Passwords can be rest without assistance from technical staff.	For the majority of American Reading Company's customers, access controls, along with account creation and deletion, are handled through a secure automated rostering and single sign-on platform, like Clever. In those cases, the district maintains full control of the process. For districts not using an automated rostering and single sign-on solution, access can be reset using an automated password reset feature that uses a time-sensitive, unique email link to perform resets. Account creation and deletion can be performed inside the software by district personnel. If a call does reach the support team that requires authentication, a call-back to the phone number listed on the district's website can be performed for validation.
X		3. Student data automatically updated, e.g. roster changes, contact information, etc. (If yes, specify frequency an if automatically exported from SIS or indicate who is responsible for student data export).	SchoolPace supports automated rostering using Clever and Classlink (OneRoster). Student, teacher, and administrator accounts are automatically rostered nightly based on the data being shared with American Reading Company through Clever or Classlink's API. When new student, teacher, or administrator accounts are encountered in Clever or Classlink, they are created in SchoolPace. When accounts

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			previously rostered via Clever or Classlink are no longer found in the Clever or Classlink API, they are removed from SchoolPace. Student, teacher, and administrator accounts may also be managed inside the SchoolPace interface for those individuals who are not present in the district's SIS. When students are removed from SchoolPace, their histories are retained as long as American Reading Company's contract or agreement with the district remains in place. If those students return to the district, their histories will be restored. For districts using Clever or Classlink, student data export from each district's SIS is fully automated.
X		4. Location of student data stored by the product fully disclosed.	SchoolPace is hosted securely at the TrueNet data center, located at 24 Hagerty Blvd #10, West Chester, PA, 19382. ARC houses customer-facing servers in a climate-controlled data center with battery backup, generator backup, fire-suppression, and other environmental controls. The customer-facing servers are in a secure data center with biometric door locks, personnel access lists, and logging. Servers are housed inside locked server cabinets.
X		5. Student data purged after use by the product and is fully disclosed and verified (If yes, indicate how and when).	Data stored in SchoolPace will be available throughout the licensing period. If a school chooses not to renew SchoolPace, data will remain available in backup form for no fewer than 180 days after the licensing period ends. If requested by the district, data can be immediately deleted as soon as the license ends. Data can also be deleted for an individual

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			student upon district request. A certificate of data destruction can be sent to the district for verification purposes.
X		6. Student data be purged by the district at any time.	Data can be purged by the district using the tools within the online interface.
X		7. Data encrypted in transit (If yes, indicate which protocols are supported).	All data is encrypted in transit using TLS v1.2 security.
X		8. Data elements are encrypted at rest, i.e. in a database or file system (If yes, specify which data elements are encrypted).	All data at rest is stored on MySQL 5.7 servers using InnoDB tablespace encryption. If a single sign-on solution is being used, no passwords are stored in the SchoolPace database. When passwords are stored, they are hashed using BCrypt.
X		9. Personally-identifying student data is recorded by the product (If yes, list required and optional data fields).	American Reading Company receives basic directory information from the district in order to populate SchoolPace with student rosters. This rostering data is used to create schools, classrooms, and students in the SchoolPace database. This basic rostering data is necessary to allow teachers and administrators to collect reading performance data in SchoolPace and to view reports based on this data. The following data is collected: **Students:** Student Identification Number, Prefix, First Name, Middle Name, Last Name, Suffix, Gender, Ethnicity, Date of Birth, Grade, Classroom Assignments **Teachers and Administrators:** Prefix, First Name, Middle Name, Last Name, Suffix, Email Address, Security Level (Teacher, School Administrator, District Administrator), Classroom Assignments
X		10. The student data privacy pledge has been agreed upon (Please provide link to verifying document and/or your student privacy policy).	A. If yes, provide a link to verifying documentation.

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			American Reading Company has signed the pledge and is currently in the process of being approved. B. Also provide a link to your student privacy policy. https://www.schoolpace.com/privacy.html
X		11. The product conforms with FERPA regulations.	American Reading Company follows security and privacy standards outlined by educational requirements including FERPA, COPPA, and CIPA.
	X	12. A third-party has evaluated the product for FERPA compliance (If yes, provide a link to the report).	
X		13. The product employs rule-based security (if yes, provide a link to detailed information and supporting documents).	For a detailed account of security roles and access information, please see the SchoolPace privacy policy at: https://www.schoolpace.com/privacy.html
	X	14. The product allows registration or data collection from children under the age of 13 (If yes, provide a link to the COPPA Safe Harbor certificate).	American Reading Company's software products meet the requirements of COPPA. American Reading Company's software products are marketed and sold to schools and districts, not directly to students. No personal data is collected from students, and students are never prompted to enter any personal information. Any rostering and demographic data used to populate class lists and other constructs is entered by authorized district or school personnel.
X		15. The product allows a download of LEA-generated data (including usage data) without manual intervention by product staff.	LEA generated data can be viewed or downloaded in a variety of ways. For instance, usage data is available on the user management screen at both school and district levels.
	X	16. Product adheres to Ed-Fi data standards (If no, list data standards to which the product adheres).	SchoolPace supports the OneRoster standard for automated rostering.

Part 5: Additional Technology Specifications

Learning Management Systems	Blackboard	Canvas	Eduphoria	Google Classroom	ItsLearning	Moodle	Schoolology	Other: Please list below
Is the product configured to work with one or more specific learning management systems? Check all that apply.								

Other LMS's: _____

Standards Compliance	SIF	CEDS	EDUPUB	Ed-Fi	Xapi	IMS Global	Other: Please list below
Is the product compliant with one or more specific standards? Check all that apply.						X	

Other standards: _____

IMS Global Standards	LTI	OneRoster	QTI	TCC	CASE	APIP	Caliper
If IMS Global was selected above, check all the standards that apply to this product.		X					

Is this product IMS Certified? If so, list the standards under which it is certified: _____