QUESTIONS/RESPONSES FROM MAY 13, 2021 BOARD MEETING REGARDING NEWSPAPERS IN EDUCATION SPONSORSHIP REQUEST

• Are all materials in English only or are there other translated options? If so, which languages?

All materials are in English, although translation is possible when teachers access a lesson plan from the web site. **(being digital makes translation possible to any language)** Website for program with activities and lesson plans- <u>https://socalnie.com/</u>

For example – go to the website and scroll down to where you will find the tab More Curriculum for over 300 instructional resources. (including many topics, from Core Curriculum to Diversity).

This resource provides high quality teacher guides, serial stories, student supplements, bullying/character education materials, numerous subject-specific resources, video & audio teacher training modules, and the popular NIE Instructional Calendar. (**IWB** - For Interactive White Board files.)

These resources address the research and standards-based curriculum focus of schools and teachers. **ESL & Spanish Bilingual included too**.

- If it is digital, once the students physically return to the classrooms, is it physical newsprint only or is digital still an option?
- Do all LBUSD teachers have the option to take advantage of this program? If not, which teachers will have the capability and who decides which teachers/classrooms?

Moving forward NIE will maintain digital access for the program in the physical classrooms and for students in the home learning environment; (with the pandemic all students are now provided tablets and internet access)

All LBUSD teachers can take advantage of this wonderful program for all their students. (The teachers sign up their classrooms individually to utilize the program.)