

Dictionary Price Increase

Suncook Valley Pomona has checked the website for The Dictionary Project and found that prices have risen considerably. The books that we ordered last year at \$2.00 each are now \$2.50 each. The extra ten cents that Suncook Valley Pomona adds for printing labels and shipping partial cases would bring that price to \$2.60 per book. There are some less expensive options (\$2.25 per book/ \$2.35 with labels) but they are just a basic dictionary with words and definitions and none of the extra information in the back of the book. I would suggest that you look at www.dictionaryproject.org to see what is available. You might also want to check with one of your third grade teachers to find out if it is just a basic dictionary that they want or if it is the extra information and fun stuff like sign language and the longest word that make the whole project worthwhile. You could save yourself the extra dime per book by ordering directly from the website and having someone in your Grange print labels. It would mean that you would have to order by the case rather than the individual book, which might involve paying for several books more than the number you need. There are 24 books to a case. Shipping is included in the price whichever way you order.

The books are still a real bargain at \$2.50, but a jump of 50 cents over last year is a bit of a “sticker shock.” Over the years we have seen many small businesses in communities willing to sponsor the dictionary cost. Restaurants, beauty salons, insurance and/or real estate companies enjoy the special thank-you’s from the 3rd graders.

We hope that you will continue to promote the NH Dictionary Project. Please contact Hannah West if you have any questions, at hwest@nhgrange.org.