

**APPROVE AMENDMENT TO CPOR#12-1009-CPOR-1545 CONTRACT AND EXTEND THE AGREEMENT WITH RENAISSANCE LEARNING FOR ASSESSMENT SERVICES**

**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Approve amendment of the current Agreement and extend the Agreement with Renaissance Learning to provide assessment services to the Option Schools and Programs and the Department of Assessment at a total cost not to exceed \$132,160. Vendor was selected on a competitive basis pursuant to Board Rule 7-2 and approved by CPOR # 12-1009-CPOR-1545.

This amendment to 12-1009-CPOR-1545 is necessary to authorize an increase of the spending authority from \$68,660.00 by an additional \$63,500.00, for a total expenditure not to exceed \$132,160. The additional funds will allow for services to support additional Option Schools and Programs. This July 2013 amendment is also necessary to change the end date of the agreement from October 31, 2013 to June 30, 2014. A written amendment to the Agreement is currently being negotiated. No payments above the initial amount authorized by 12-1009-CPOR-1545 shall be made prior to the execution of the amendment. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written amendment is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

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CPOR Number : 12-1009-CPOR-1545

**VENDOR:**

- 1) Vendor # 11291  
RENAISSANCE LEARNING, INC. 1  
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**TERM:**

The original term of this agreement (authorized by CPOR Number 12-1009-CPOR-1545) in the amount of \$68,660.00 is for a term commencing on February 6, 2013 and ending on October 31, 2013. The agreement is being extended to June 30, 2014. The agreement has one option to renew for a period of one year.

**EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT:**

The Board shall have the right to terminate this agreement with 30 days written notice.

**SCOPE OF SERVICES:**

Vendor will provide a Math and Reading skill growth assessment called STAR Reading Enterprise and STAR Math Enterprise to the Option Schools and Programs in Chicago Public Schools via a customized web-based Renaissance Place Real Time platform. The assessment is used on up to 11 different campuses for a total of 2,075 students. With the amended contract, the assessment will be used on up to 20 different campuses for a total of 5,475 students. The assessment will be used to track student skill growth for students who are aged 12-21 and have varying skill levels. The assessment will be computer adaptive, appropriate for measuring skill growth for 6th-12th grade students and administered on a rolling basis throughout the school year in approximately 30 minute intervals. Vendor will provide normed growth targets for students at varying levels.

**USE OF SOFTWARE:** STAR Reading and STAR Math are computer-adaptive interim assessments . Their capabilities include screening, standards benchmarking, and progress monitoring. STAR assessments provide the following: 1) Expanded skill-based reporting capabilities that give educators essential information on students' academic progress and growth. 2) Instructional planning tools and embedded resources to help teachers decide how to use their newly acquired data in their daily classroom teaching. 3) Alignment to the Illinois Reading and Math Assessment Frameworks as well as the Common Core State Standards. 4) Ability to forecast student performance on the Illinois Standards Achievement Tests (ISAT).

**DELIVERABLES:**

Vendor will install the system at all participating schools and train all Board-identified users in the administration and use of the assessments.

**OUTCOMES:**

Option Schools and Programs will have the ability to administer multiple assessment per year in reading and mathematics and to accurately measure student learning growth on the basis of these administrations. Performance measures may include, but are not necessarily be limited to: 1) percent of project milestones met, 2) percent of teachers administering the assessment, 3) utilization rate of reports, and 4) percent of users satisfied with the system.

**COMPENSATION:**

Vendor shall be paid in accordance with the prices contained in the agreement; total for the extended term not to exceed the sum of \$132,160.00.

**REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES:**

None

**AUTHORIZATION:**

Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written amendment. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the amendment. Authorize the Chief Accountability Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:**

Pursuant to section 5.2 of the Remedial Program for Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise Participation in Goods and Services Contracts, this agreement is exempt from MBE/WBE review; as this solution is software based and is not further divisible.

**LSC REVIEW:**

Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

**FINANCIAL:**

Fund 115, Unit 66301, LINC Alternative HS, FY13: \$68,322

Fund 115, Unit 11210, Assessment, FY14: \$63,838

**CFDA#:** Not Applicable

**GENERAL CONDITIONS:**

Inspector General - Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1, the Inspector General of the Chicago Board of Education has the authority to conduct certain investigations and that the Inspector General shall have access to all information and personnel necessary to conduct those investigations.

Conflicts - The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their terms of office.

Indebtedness - The Board's Indebtedness Policy adopted June 26, 1996 (96-0626-PO3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Ethics - The Board's Ethics Code adopted May 25, 2011 (11-0525-PO2), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Contingent Liability - The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:



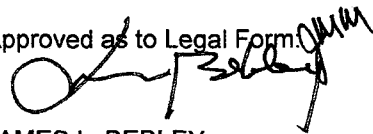
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