

**APPROVE PAYMENT TO EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES, INC.  
FOR CONSULTING SERVICES (Randolph School)**

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

Approve payment to Educational Resources, Inc. for consulting services provided to Randolph School at a cost not to exceed \$50,000.00. These services were obtained without prior Board approval and the services are completed. The consultant was selected on a non-competitive basis because it is a Direct Instruction Implementation Company that has worked with the school on a limited basis last school year and has a proven record of accomplishment for excellent assistance to schools in implementing their Direct Instruction programs. Information pertinent to this payment is stated below.

**Specification No.: 04-250110**

**CONSULTANT:** Educational Resources, Inc.  
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Molly Blakley – Contact Person  
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**USER:** Randolph School  
7316 S. Hoyne Ave.  
Chicago, IL 60636  
Dr. Joan Forte  
773-535-9015

**TERM:** Services were rendered from July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004.

**SCOPE OF SERVICES:** Consultant provided implementation of the Direct Reading program correlated with Illinois Learning Goals and Standards and Chicago Reading Initiative, emphasizing reading and writing across the curriculum and consistent instructional standards and assessment. The program supported the Chicago Reading Initiative implementation and the Board's Education Plan. Consultant provided in-school workshops and classroom coaching and demonstrations were conducted by ERI coaches who also provided ongoing on-site applied professional development.

**DELIVERABLES:**

1. 40 on-site coaching days.
2. 8 Program in-service training days
3. 9 -16 data analysis/evaluation days (off-site)
4. Assistance in planning school improvement
5. Ongoing reports on activities
6. on-line access to coaches
7. Semester evaluations of program implementation progress
8. Resource Materials

**OUTCOMES:** Consultant's services resulted in (1) an increase of student achievement (2) Teachers' increased clarity and use of data to make instructional decisions and (3) Administrators' development of a structure to provide ongoing support for teacher development.

**COMPENSATION:** Consultant shall be paid as follows: a lump sum not to exceed the sum of \$50,000.00.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** A review of Minority and Women Business Enterprise participation was precluded due to services being completed.

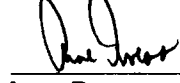
**LSC REVIEW:** This action was approved by the LSC for Randolph School on September 15, 2003.

**FINANCIAL:** Charge to Randolph Elementary School: \$50,000.00      Fiscal Year: 2003-2004  
Budget Classification: 3550-239-860-7862-5400      Source of Funds: Reading First Grant  
Requisition Number: IM2499902

Approved for Consideration:


  
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