

**AUTHORIZE TUITION PAYMENTS TO ASSOCIATED COLLEGES OF ILLINOIS
FOR A FIRST CLASS SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER TRAINEES**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Authorize tuition payments to Associated Colleges of Illinois (ACI) for a First Class Special Education Program (formerly known as FACE) for Special Education Teacher Trainees at a cost not to exceed \$314,375.00. ACI was selected because it offers courses leading to the Type 10 Learning and Behavior Specialist I (LBSI) certification over a six semester period. No written agreement is required for tuition payments. Information pertinent to this matter is stated below.

Specification Number: 04-250187

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AUTHORIZATION PERIOD: These tuition payments are authorized for the period commencing January 1, 2005 and ending December 31, 2006.

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT: 60 days notice by the Board.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: ACI shall offer eleven graduate courses totaling 39 credit hours leading to Learning Behavior Specialist I certification for Special Education Teacher Trainees working in Chicago Public Schools (job code #14).

PARTICIPANTS: All Special Education Teacher Trainees shall have passed the Illinois State Board of Education Basic Skills Test before being accepted into the First Class Special Education Program. Participants shall reimburse the Board in the amount of \$7,500.00 through payroll deduction over the course of the program for a total reimbursement of \$187,500.00. Each Participant shall sign an agreement that commits him/her to work in CPS special education position for a period of not less than three years after completing the Program and obtaining their certification, if such positions are offered to them. Participants who fail to fulfill these requirements will be required to repay the Board in full for tuition payments made on their behalf under the Program. The repayment amount will be established by a *pro rata* formula developed by the Board's Alternative Certification Program Manager.

DELIVERABLES: ACI shall offer a core curriculum restricted to First Class Special Education Teacher Trainees for a total of 39 credit hours. The courses shall be offered from the Spring 2005 term through the Fall 2006 term.

OUTCOMES: A maximum of 25 CPS Special Education Teacher Trainees will fulfill course requirements to receive an LBSI Certificate. In turn, the Special Education Teacher Trainees will fill critical CPS teacher shortages in the area of Special Education.

COMPENSATION: ACI will be compensated on a per teacher-intern basis at the rate of \$12,575.00 per Special Education Teacher Trainees at a total cost not to exceed \$314,375.00. Each teacher-intern will be required to

reimburse the Board, through payroll deduction, the sum of \$7,500.00 for a total reimbursement of \$187,500.00. The Board will require any Special Education Teacher Trainees who fails to fulfill the requirements of the Program to repay the Board in full for the tuition payments made by the Board on such Special Education Teacher Trainee's behalf. From January 1, 2005 through June 30, 2005, tuition payments to ACI shall not exceed \$77,500.00. It is anticipated that tuition payments from July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006 shall not exceed \$141,250.00 and tuition payments for the remainder of the contract term shall not exceed \$95,625.00.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the Chief Human Resources Officer to direct tuition payments to ACI as necessary.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Pursuant to section 3.7 of the Revised Remedial Plan for Minority and Business Enterprise Contract Participation (M/WBE Plan) this contract is exempt from review because the contract is for tuition payment.

LSC REVIEW: Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL: Charge to Department of Human Resources:	\$314,375.00	
	\$ 77,500.00	Fiscal Year: FY2005
	\$141,250.00	Fiscal Year: FY2006
	\$ 95,625.00	Fiscal Year: FY2007

Budget Classification: 0710-253-132-1575-5560

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 July 26, 1995 (95-0726-EX3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Ethics – The Board's Ethics Code adopted September 27, 1995 (95-0927-RU3), 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:

Approved:



Barbara Eason-Watkins, Ed.D.
Chief Education Officer



Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:

Approved as to legal form:



John Maiorca
Chief Financial Officer



Ruth M. Moscovitch
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