

**AMEND BOARD REPORT 05-0427-PR12**  
**AMEND BOARD REPORT 04-0825-PR38**  
**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AGREEMENTS WITH VARIOUS PRIVATE CLUSTER SCHOOLS**  
**TO PROVIDE CLUSTER PROGRAM SERVICES**

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

Approve entering into agreements with those Private Cluster School Providers ("Providers") listed on Exhibit "A" at a cost not to exceed the aggregate amount of \$50,000,000.00 for cluster program expenses over a two-year period. These payments are reimbursed through the Illinois State Board of Education. Providers were selected on a competitive basis pursuant to a duly advertised Request for Proposal (Specification number 04-250018). Written agreements for these Providers are currently being negotiated. No payment will be made to any Provider prior to the execution of that Provider's written agreement. The authority granted herein will automatically rescind as to each Provider in the event a written agreement for such Provider is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to these agreements is stated below.

This amendment is necessary to reinstate Special Education Services, formerly known as Hillside (The Menta Group) as a Cluster School Provider. The Board rescinded its approval of this provider on November 17, 2004 (Board Report No. 04-1117-AR1-II-2) because they were unable to provide the required services at that time. They are now able to provide the required services. A written agreement with Special Education Services is currently being negotiated. No payment will be made to Special Education Services prior to execution of the written agreement. The authority granted herein will automatically rescind in the event a written agreement for this provider is not executed within 90 days of this amended Board Report.

The reinstatement of Special Education Services as a Cluster School Provider was subsequently automatically rescinded July 27, 2005 (Board Report No. 05-0427-PR12) because the opening of their Chicago facility was delayed. The Office of Specialized Services has conducted a physical inspection of Special Education Services' new Chicago facility and has confirmed that they now are able to provide the required services.

This second amendment is necessary to reinstate Special Education Services as a Cluster School Provider. The reinstatement of this provider will not affect the overall value of this Board Report. A written agreement with Special Education Services is currently being negotiated. No payment will be made to Special Education Services prior to execution of the written agreement. The authority granted herein will automatically rescind in the event a written agreement for this provider is not executed within 90 days of this amended Board Report.

**Specification No.: 04-250018**

**PROVIDERS:** See Exhibit "A"

**USER:** Office of Specialized Services  
Citywide Instruction Support  
125 S. Clark Street, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Chicago, IL 60603  
Contact: Renee Grant-Mitchell, Ed.D (773) 553-1800

**TERM:** The term of each agreement will commence July 1, 2004, and will end July 31, 2006. Each agreement will have two (2) options to renew for periods of one (1) year each.

**SCOPE OF SERVICES:** Providers will serve CPS students with emotional disorders in one or more of six Cluster areas designated by the Board. These services will include providing age-appropriate educational programs and IEP-mandated services to the students, and providing programming to prepare students for their successful and timely return to their neighborhood public schools. In addition, Providers will work with CPS schools, community agencies and family groups to build more effective networks of support services and advance a least restrictive environment for the students.

**DELIVERABLES:** Providers will furnish age-appropriate programs, related services, tests, program notes, HSMP reports, and other reports required by the Office of Specialized Services.

**OUTCOMES:** Services provided by Private Cluster Schools will enable CPS to achieve the following:

1. Decrease the number of students having a primary classification of “emotionally disturbed” who attend private schools by 800 over the next five years.
2. Develop quality private school resources within each of the six CPS Clusters aligned with the programmatic needs of each Cluster.
3. Establish coordinated, innovative practices between the public schools of a specific Cluster and the assigned Private Cluster School Provider to (a) reduce the referral rate of special education students to private schools; (b) maximize available support services for students and their families; and (c) facilitate the transition of private school students returning to public school.
4. Create a method of payment for private schools that is consistent with maintaining quality education programs, providing appropriate supportive services to students and their families, and returning students to public school.

**COMPENSATION:** Each Provider will be allocated a certain number of ‘Reserved Seats’ and will be paid a negotiated rate for these Reserved Seats for each scheduled school day. For any additional students placed at the designated Private Cluster School, each Provider shall be paid the rate identified by the Illinois Purchased Care Review Board, not to exceed, in the aggregate, the sum of \$50,000,000.00 over a two-year period. It is anticipated that costs during the first year will not exceed \$25,000,000.00 Each agreement will contain a non appropriation clause and will provide that the Board may increase or decrease the number of Reserved Seats by giving a negotiated number of days written notice.

**AUTHORIZATION:** Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written agreements. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the agreements. Authorize the Chief Specialized Services Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate these student placements and agreements, including but not limited to the Nonpublic Facility Placement contracts required by ISBE.

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

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

**FINANCIAL:** Charge to: Citywide/School support - \$50,000,000.00

Budget Classifications:	0966-210-014-7073-5560	\$25,000,000.00 – Fund 210-Gen.Ed.(FY05)
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**GENERAL CONDITIONS:**

Inspector General – Each Party to the agreements 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.

Conflict – The agreements 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 their terms of office.

Indebtedness – The Board of Education 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 agreements.


Ethics – The Board’s Ethics Code adopted September 27, 1995 (95-0727-RU3), as amended from time to time shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreements.

Contingent Liability – The agreements 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).

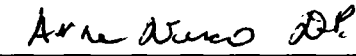
**PRIVATE CLUSTER SCHOOLS**

1. **Banner School**  
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Chicago, IL 60628  
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Vendor No. 20029
  
2. **Infinity School of Chicago South**  
4611 S. Ellis Avenue,  
Chicago, IL 60653  
Contact Person: Suzyn Jacobson  
Telephone No. 773-536-5259 Fax No. 773-536-5017  
Vendor No. 22182
  
3. **Lawrence Hall Youth Services**  
4833 N. Francisco  
Chicago, IL 60625  
Contact Person: Mike Oliver  
Telephone No. 773-769-3500 Ext. 260 Fax No. 773-769-5334  
Vendor No. 39644
  
4. **Uhlich**  
217 N. Jefferson Street  
Chicago, IL 60606  
Contact Person: Zachary W. Schrantz  
Telephone No. 312-669-8200 Ext. 2487 Fax No. 312-669-1512  
Vendor No. 12392
  
5. **Jewish Children's Bureau**  
216 W. Jackson, Ste. 800  
Chicago, IL 60606  
Contact Person: Julia Mellow  
Telephone No. 312-673-2714 Fax No. 312-553-5531  
Vendor No. 20973
  
6. **Special Education Services**  
1720 N. Randall Road,  
Aurora, IL 60506  
Contact Person: Kenneth J. Carwell  
Telephone No. 630-990-1720 Fax No. 630-907-0197  
Vendor No. 15770
  
7. **South Central Community**  
8316 S. Ellis Ave.  
Chicago, IL 60619  
Contact Person: Gregory E. Amos  
Telephone No. 773-617-5328 Fax No. 773-483-9097  
Vendor No. 35476
  
8. **Beacon Therapeutic**  
1912 W. 103<sup>rd</sup> Street  
Chicago IL 60643  
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Vendor No. 31488

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