

**APPROVE TUITION PAYMENTS, BOOK FEES AND MATERIALS FEES TO VARIOUS COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES FOR THE EXCEL CAREER PROGRAM**

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

Approve payment of tuition, book and material fees with various colleges and universities for the Excel Career Program. Through the Excel Career Program, universities and colleges will provide after school academic and technical training courses for dual high school elective credit and career college credit to junior and senior level high school students. The cost of the Program will not exceed the aggregate amount of \$282,000. No written agreement is needed for the payment of tuition, book fees, material fees or transportation expenses. Information on this program is further stated below.

**University Participants:**

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| <p>1. City Colleges of Chicago<br/>226 W. Jackson Blvd.<br/>Chicago, IL 60601<br/>Contact: Dr. William McMillan<br/>312-553-2732<br/>Vendor No: 12687</p>        | <p>\$300 per course<br/>Estimated enrollment: 175 students<br/>\$52,500</p> |
| <p>2. DeVry University<br/>3300 North Campbell<br/>Chicago, IL 60618<br/>Contact: Romelia Mercado<br/>773-697-2251<br/>Vendor No: 45930</p>                      | <p>\$670 per course<br/>Estimated enrollment: 60 students<br/>\$40,200</p>  |
| <p>3. Illinois Institute of Art<br/>350 N. Orleans<br/>Chicago, IL 60601<br/>Contact: Michael Gray<br/>312-475-6910<br/>Vendor No: 21039</p>                     | <p>\$650 per course<br/>Estimated enrollment: 20 students<br/>\$13,000</p>  |
| <p>4. Northwestern Business College<br/>4829 N. Lipps Avenue<br/>Chicago, IL 60630<br/>Contact: Lawrence W. Schumacher<br/>708-237-5000<br/>Vendor No: 29200</p> | <p>\$700 per course<br/>Estimated enrollment: 60 students<br/>\$42,000</p>  |
| <p>5. Robert Morris College<br/>401 S. State St.<br/>Chicago, IL 60605<br/>Contact: Angela Jordan<br/>312-935-6867<br/>Vendor No: 30628</p>                      | <p>\$700 per course<br/>Estimated enrollment: 80 students<br/>\$56,000</p>  |
| <p>6. St. Augustine College<br/>1333 West Argyle<br/>Chicago, IL 60640<br/>Contact: Maritza Hidalgo<br/>773-878-8756<br/>Vendor No: 24428</p>                    | <p>\$600 per course<br/>Estimated enrollment: 30 students<br/>\$18,000</p>  |

**USER:** Office of High School Programs  
Department of Postsecondary Education  
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**PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:** The Excel Career Program is designed to serve CPS 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Graders and to encourage them to enroll in courses at selected colleges and universities that are not offered at the high school level. Students meeting the following qualifications may enroll in courses in their career area on a voluntary basis with the permission of the principal and approval of the counselor: junior or senior standing, minimum GPA of 2.5, demonstrated interest in the specific career focus, recommendation of high school counselor, parental permission, 90% attendance record and fulfillment of additional requirements and test scores for individual colleges. All classes will take place after the regular instructional day. Courses will carry ½ elective high school credit at the regular or honors level per semester, and a semester of transferable college credit issued by the college. Students may take one course within their career focus per semester. There will be no waivers of requirements.

**PROGRAM OUTCOMES:** The primary outcomes for the Excel Career Program are to enable qualified participating CPS juniors and seniors to earn transferable college credit and high school elective credit; to enrich their career and vocational training; to increase their opportunities for college acceptance and career entry; and to obtain postsecondary scholarships and funding for high level career training.

**PAYMENT PERIOD:** Tuition, book and material fees are authorized to be paid for the period August 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.

**COMPENSATION:** The estimated cost of tuition, book and material fees is \$282,000. Total costs to be paid to the colleges and universities will not exceed \$282,000.

**AUTHORIZATION:** Authorize the Officer of Office of High School Programs to direct payments to the universities as necessary.

**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 it is for tuition.

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

**FINANCIAL:** Charge to Office of High School Programs: \$282,000      FY 2007  
Budget Classification: 0915-210-389-2665-5940

**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 June 23, 2004 (04-0623-PO4), 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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Barbara Eason-Watkins *KRW*  
Chief Education Officer


Approved:

  
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Arne Duncan  
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:

  
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John Maiorca  
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form: 

  
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Patrick J. Rocks  
General Counsel