

**RATIFY ENTERING INTO TWO AGREEMENTS WITH THE COLLEGE BOARD
FOR MATERIALS AND SERVICES RELATING TO THE EXCELERATOR SCHOOLS PROJECT**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Ratify entering into two agreements with the College Board to provide materials and services to support the implementation and operation of the College Board EXCELErator Schools Program Model (Program or EXCELErator Program) in eight CPS high schools: (Cohort I) Al Raby, Kennedy, Morgan Park, and Roosevelt; and (Cohort II) Chicago Discovery Academy, Clemente, Curie, and Simeon. The aggregate amount for these two agreements will not exceed \$150,000. The first agreement (Contract #1) is for the Cohort I schools and is in an amount not to exceed \$75,000.00 in the aggregate. The second agreement (Contract #2) is for the Cohort II schools and is an amount not to exceed \$75,000.00 in the aggregate. The costs associated with each agreement will be paid by the schools participating in the associated Cohort. These materials and services were obtained without prior Board approval. Written agreements for materials and services are currently being negotiated. No payments under an agreement will be made to the College Board prior to the execution of that written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind as to each agreement in the event that such agreement is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to these agreements is stated below.

VENDOR: The College Board
45 Columbus Avenue
New York, New York 10023
Contact: Lori Mei, Senior Director
Phone: (212) 713-8000
Vendor # 22907

USERS: Office of High Schools and High School Programs
125 South Clark Street, 12th Floor
Chicago, Illinois 60603
Contact: Dr. Afina S. Lockhart, Program Manager
Phone: 773-553-2096

The additional Users for each Cohort are listed on the attached page.

TERM: The Term of Contract #1 shall commence on March 1, 2006 and shall end June 30, 2009. The Term of Contract #2 shall commence on March 1, 2007 and shall end June 30, 2010.

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT: Each party shall have the right to terminate these agreements for cause with 30 days written notice.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: The College Board was awarded a grant to subsidize the implementation and operation of its EXCELErator Schools Model in several school districts, including the Chicago Public Schools. The College Board will serve as the fiscal agent of these grant funds. Some Program costs will be borne by the District and some will be borne by the College Board, with the District's share increasing for each year of the Program. With respect to Contract #1, the District's share of these costs has been finalized for the first two years of the term. Costs for the third year of the term will be finalized prior to the commencement of the third year. With respect to Contract #2, the District's share of these costs has been finalized for the first year. Costs for the second and third year of the Term will be finalized prior to the commencement of such year. The College Board will fund the position of the CPS EXCELErator Program District Coach (a CPS employee) who will oversee the activities of each Cohort. In addition, College Board will provide the following services to the Cohort I and Cohort II schools:

- Overall management of the EXCELErator Program, fiscal management of the grant(s) that College Board receives to fund implementation of the EXCELErator Program in the District as specified herein, and subcontracting with AVID Center and other partners, as necessary.
- Professional Development - Curriculum and data training, Program management training, and leadership development.
- Support for the integration and alignment of the College Board instructional goals and materials in mathematics and language arts within the current District instructional plan.

In addition to providing services to the Cohort I and Cohort II schools, the College Board will use a third-party evaluator to research and evaluate the effectiveness of the Program in the Cohort I and Cohort II schools, and determine whether the Program needs to be modified. This research and evaluation project will be conducted only after it has been approved by the CPS Research Review Board.

DELIVERABLES: College Board will provide the following deliverables to the Cohort I and Cohort II schools: AP Exams for students enrolled in Advanced Placement (AP) courses; AP Course Materials (textbooks, lab equipment, etc), PSAT and SAT study guides and exams, SAT licenses, CollegeED workbooks, and materials for new AP courses, Pre-AP materials, professional development workshops and other trainings.

COMPENSATION: College Board shall be paid an amount not to exceed \$150,000 in the aggregate -- \$75,000.00 in the aggregate for Contract #1 and \$75,000.00 in the aggregate for Contract #2.

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 Officer of the Office of High Schools and High School Programs to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate these agreements.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Pursuant to Section 5.2 of the Revised Remedial Plan for Minority and Women Business Enterprise Economic Participation (M/WBE Plan), the participation goal provision of the plan do not apply to transactions where the vendor is a not-for-profit organization. Services herein classify as an instance where the nature of the services makes it inappropriate to apply vendor selection criteria.

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

FINANCIAL:

Contract #1 (Cohort I): Charge to:

Al Raby, Kennedy, Morgan Park, and Roosevelt:	\$0	Fiscal Year: 2007
	\$0	Fiscal Year: 2008
	\$75,000	Fiscal Year: 2009

Contract #2 (Cohort II) Charge to:

Chicago Discovery Academy, Clemente, Curie, and Simeon:	\$0	Fiscal Year: 2008
	\$0	Fiscal Year: 2009
	\$75,000	Fiscal Year: 2010

Budget Classifications: To be determined Source of Funds: To be determined

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.

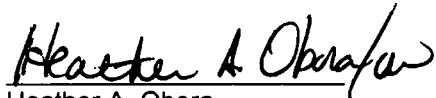
Conflicts – The agreements shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of agreements to, former Board members during the one-year period following expiration or other termination of their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

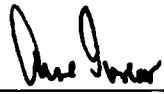
Ethics – The Board's Ethics Code adopted June 23, 2004 (04-0623-PO4), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreements.

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).

Approved for Consideration:


Heather A. Obora
Chief Purchasing Officer

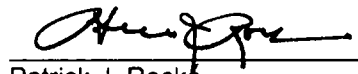
Approved:


Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:


John Maiorca
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form: 


Patrick J. Rocks
General Counsel

Additional Users for each Cohort

Cohort I Schools:

Al Raby High School for Community and
Environment-Flower Campus
3545 West Fulton
Chicago, Illinois 60624
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Phone: 773-553-2096

John F. Kennedy High School
6325 West 56th Street
Chicago, Illinois 60638
Contact: Dr. Afina S. Lockhart, Program Manager
Phone: 773-553-2096

Morgan Park High School
1744 West Pryor Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60643
Contact: Dr. Afina S. Lockhart, Program Manager
Phone: 773-553-2096

Theodore Roosevelt High School
3436 West Wilson Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60625
Contact: Dr. Afina S. Lockhart, Program Manager
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Cohort II Schools:

Chicago Discover Academy-Bowen Campus
2710 East 89th Street
Chicago, Illinois 60617
Contact: Dr. Afina S. Lockhart, Program Manager
Phone: 773-553-2096

Clemente Community Academy
1147 North Western Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60622
Contact: Dr. Afina S. Lockhart, Program Manager
Phone: 773-553-2096

Marie Sklodowska Curie Metropolitan High School
4959 South Archer Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60632
Contact: Dr. Afina S. Lockhart, Program Manager
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Simeon Career Academy
8235 South Vincennes
Chicago, Illinois 60620
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