

**AUTHORIZE ALL RENEWAL AGREEMENTS WITH FOUR VENDORS FOR
VIRTUAL LEARNING ONLINE COURSES AND SUPPORT SERVICES**

THE CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Authorize all renewal agreements with four Vendors to provide Online Courses and Support Services for the Virtual Learning Program of the Chicago Public Schools at a total cost for the option period not to exceed \$3,500,000. Written documents exercising these options are currently being negotiated. No services shall be provided by and no payment shall be made to any Vendor during the option period prior to execution of their written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind as to each Vendor in the event their written document is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this option is stated below.

USER INFORMATION:

Project
Manager: 10840 - Educational Tools and Technology
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ORIGINAL AGREEMENT:

The original Agreement (authorized by Board Report #11-1214-PR8 as amended by 12-0125-PR10 and 12-1219-PR3) in the amount of \$2,526,607 are for a term commencing on the date each agreement is signed and ending December 31, 2013, with the Board having two (2) options to renew for one (1) year terms. The original agreement was awarded on a competitive basis pursuant to Board Rule 7-2.

OPTION PERIOD:

The two options to renew are being exercised simultaneously and the term of each agreement is being renewed for a two (2) year period commencing January 1, 2014 and ending December 31, 2015.

OPTION PERIODS REMAINING:

There are no option periods remaining.

SCOPE OF SERVICES:

Vendors will continue to provide online courses as part of a key strategy to ensure that students can have anytime access to CPS high school graduation courses and requirements. Enrollment will be based upon school and student needs. CPS students have used online courses to fulfill core course requirements, elective course requirements, Advanced Placement courses, credit recovery courses and Advanced Placement Exam Review. Online courses will be offered to students in middle school and high school for any or all of the following reasons: to make up a course that they have failed; to complete a course requirement for a course that is not offered at their current or former school; to complete a course that conflicts with their schedule; to attain credit for graduation requirements; to have access to advanced level courses; and, to provide short-term educational content and skills instruction during periods of transition, illness or other temporary school enrollment scenarios. The CPS Virtual High School, now the Virtual Learning Program, currently works in conjunction with several CPS departments to offer the best use of online learning to provide a valuable option to meet student need. Additionally, CPS will have access to ACT Preparation, AP Preparation, middle school and primary school courses and digital curriculum for blended learning options with CPS teachers (CTV & CTA for Apex Learning).

DELIVERABLES:

1. Vendors shall continue to offer high quality and engaging online coursework that is aligned with Illinois State Learning Standards (<http://www.isbe.net/ils/default.htm>) and Common Core State Standards (http://www.isbe.net/common_core/default.htm);
2. Vendors shall continue to provide appropriate staff & communication in a timely manner;
3. Vendors will continue to provide training, monitoring, data reporting and course implementation & training;
4. Vendors will continue to deliver ongoing training and support; and
5. Vendors will continue to provide performance and account management and measureable performance objectives as outlined in their scopes of service.

OUTCOMES:

Outcomes will be measured based on the Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for the Virtual Learning Program which include, but are not limited to:

- Total number of students served;
- Percentage of students who complete courses;
- Percentage of students who recover or attain course credit with online courses;
- Number of students who meet graduation requirements and graduated upon completion of online courses with the Virtual Learning Program; and
- Number of students who are back on track to graduate upon completion of program/courses with the Virtual Learning Program.

COMPENSATION:

Vendors shall be paid as specified in their respective renewal agreement; the total compensation for all Vendors during this option period shall not exceed the aggregate sum of \$3,500,000.

AUTHORIZATION:

Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written option documents. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the option documents. Authorize Chief Teaching and Learning Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this option.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:

The supplier diversity goals for this agreement include 15% MBE and 5% WBE participation. Pursuant to the Remedial Program for Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise Participation in Goods and Services Contracts, the Category Goals method for M/WBE participation will be utilized. Aggregated compliance of the vendors in the pool will be reported on a quarterly basis.

LSC REVIEW:

Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL:

Various Funds
All Schools and Departments
\$3,500,000, FY14 and FY15

Future year funding is contingent upon budget appropriation and approval.

CFDA#: Not Applicable

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 May 25, 2011 (11-0525-PO2), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

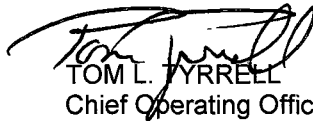
Contingent Liability - The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:



SÉBASTIEN de LONGEAUX
Chief Procurement Officer

Approved:



TOM L. TYRRELL
Chief Operating Officer

Approved as to Legal Form. 

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