

**AUTHORIZE TUITION PAYMENTS TO ERIKSON INSTITUTE FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD
COURSEWORK LEADING TO THE INFANT TODDLER CREDENTIAL**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Authorize tuition payments to Erikson Institute to not exceed \$2,400,000. Erikson Institute was selected because the institution has approved Illinois State Board of Education certification and credentialing programs. The institution has past experience with the Chicago Board of Education. Information pertinent to this program is stated below.

UNIVERSITY: Erikson Institute
451 N. LaSalle
Chicago, IL 60654
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312-893-7187
Vendor #: 73654

USER: Office of Teaching and Learning
Office of Early Childhood Education, Community Partnership Programs
42 West Madison
Chicago, IL 60603

PAYMENT PERIOD: Tuition payments are authorized for the institution courses scheduled from September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2018.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: Payments cover tuition for authorized Community Based teachers enrolled in courses at a participating institution for the Infant toddler Credential. Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) changed its emphasis from supporting to mandating that teachers in community-based organizations have the Illinois Infant Toddler credential. This mandate was enacted to reflect the new ExceleRate™ Illinois quality rating improvement system that requires that teachers have the Infant Toddler Credential.

PARTICIPANTS: Participants in the program must be current employees of community-based agencies participating in the Community Partnership Program funded through Preschool For All of the Illinois State Board of Education. Each participant must have prior approval of their agency director and must meet all entry criteria of the specific college / university. Applicants must complete application / enrollment documents according to the individual college / university requirements.

OUTCOMES: This program will result in an increased number of credentialed infant toddler staff working in community-based programs funded by the Community Partnership Program of the Chicago Public Schools, which will meet the Illinois State Board of Education requirement.

COMPENSATION: Tuition payments to the institution during the payment period shall not exceed \$2,400,000 in total through August 31, 2018.

AUTHORIZATION: Chief Early Childhood Education Officer is authorized to direct payments to be made to the institution as necessary.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Pursuant to the Remedial Program for Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise Participation in Goods and Services Contracts, this agreement is exempt from MBE/WBE Compliance Review.

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

FINANCIAL:

Fund 362

Office of Early Childhood Education, Unit 11385

\$800,000, FY16

\$800,000, FY17

\$800,000, FY18

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 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.

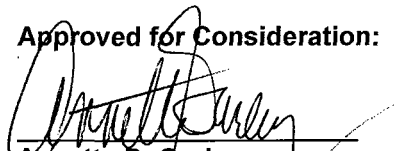
Conflicts – The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their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



Annette D. Gurley
Chief Officer of Teaching and Learning

Approved:



Forrest Claypool
Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to legal form: 



James L. Bebley
General Counsel