AUTHORIZE A NEW AGREEMENT WITH AMPLIFY EDUCATION INC. AND NORTHWEST EVALUATION ASSOCIATION FOR THE PURCHASE OF AN EARLY GRADES ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Authorize new agreements with Amplify Education, Inc. and Northwest Evaluation Association for the purchase of an early grades assessment system at an estimated annual cost set forth in the Compensation Section of this report. Vendors were selected on a competitive basis pursuant to Board Rule 7-2. Written agreements for these services are currently being negotiated. No services may be provided by and no payment shall be made to any Vendor prior to execution of their written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind as to each Vendor in the event their written agreement is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to these agreements is stated below.

Specification Number:

16-350012

Contract Administrator:

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VENDOR:

1) Vendor # 12990 AMPLIFY EDUCATION, INC F/K/A WIRELESS GENERATION, INC. 55 WASHINGTON ST., STE 900 BROOKLYN, NY 11201-1071 Michael Kasloff 212 213-8177

For Profit: Amplify Education Partners -100%

2) Vendor # 43763 NORTHWEST EVALUATION ASSOCIATION 121 NW EVERETT STREET PORTLAND, OR 97209 Jacob Carroll 503 624-1951

Not For Profit

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TERM:

The term of each agreement shall commence on July 1, 2016 shall end June 30, 2018. The agreements shall have two (2) options to renew for periods of two (2) years each.

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT:

The Board shall have the right to terminate each agreement with 30 days written notice.

DESCRIPTION OF PURCHASE:

Vendors will provide an early grades assessment system for approximately 396 schools and the following services:

Assessments: Reliable, valid, research-based screening, diagnostic, and progress monitoring assessment tools for students in kindergarten through grade 2.

Assessment Administration: The capacity for the Board-defined number of schools to administer the assessment.

Professional Development: All necessary professional development to meet the needs of the Board-defined number of schools to implement this system of screening, diagnostic, and progress monitoring assessment or methods.

Technology, Data Collection and Reporting: Vendors will house all associated data and reporting systems. Data reports housed by Vendors will be accessible by the Board. Vendors will provide all raw assessment data to Board in formats compatible with the Board's data systems.

Integrated Program of Assessment and Instruction: Vendors will work with Board and its partners (potentially including curriculum publishers) to identify and develop intervention strategies using supported instructional materials.

Project Management and Personnel Requirements: Vendors will submit a project plan that outlines how it will address all aspects of the project implementation period. Vendors will adhere to Board project management guidelines and expectations including, but not limited to: providing a project manager; participating in periodic status meetings; providing periodic status reports based on project metrics defined by the Board; providing regular financial updates; and responding to issues in a timely manner.

OUTCOMES:

This purchase will enable CPS teachers to develop a system for early instruction and/or intervention to prevent failure in later grades, ensuring that students entering grade 3 have the knowledge and skills to be successful and to ensure that students are on-track in every grade. The vendors' services will result in CPS having; 1) the ability to administer the assessment to the Board-defined number of students; 2) access to valid, reliable assessment data to be used specifically for the purpose of improving instruction and enhancing student achievement; 3) assessment results on a secure, password-protected website that allows teachers and administrators to view, analyze, and manage data; and 4) appropriate professional development to both administer the assessment and use the resulting data to drive instruction.

COMPENSATION:

Vendors shall be paid during the initial term in accordance with the prices specified in their respective written agreement; Estimated aggregate annual costs for this option period are set forth below:\$3,500,000 FY17 and FY18

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 of Teaching and Learning to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate the agreements.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:

The MWBE goals of the solicitation were 30% MBE and 7% WBE. These goals will apply only to the for-profit company which is Amplify. NWEA is a non-profit organization and therefore the district's M/WBE goal requirements do not apply.

LSC REVIEW:

Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL:

Fund 115
Department of Teaching and Learning, Unit 10810
\$1,750,000.00 FY17
\$1,750,000.00 FY18
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:

FORREST CLAYPOOL
Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to Legal Form

RONALD L. MARMER General Counsel