

March 24, 2021

**REPORT ON EMERGENCY EXPENDITURES****THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER REPORTS ON THE FOLLOWING EXPENDITURES  
PURSUANT TO 105 ILCS 5/10-20.21 (XIV) AND THE RULES OF THE BOARD, SECTION 7-5,  
EMERGENCY EXPENDITURES:**

1. **Reconditioning and Recertification of Sports Equipment.** The Office of Sports Administration ("OSA") received survey results from schools that recorded inconsistency to maintain sports equipment due to lack of oversight or lack of funding. To maintain the integrity of sports equipment and most importantly, student safety, football helmets and football shoulder pads were reconditioned for recertification or replaced at 62 schools (additional schools may be added if necessary) by the vendors identified below.

Recondition is to inspect, clean, sanitize and repair equipment to the original performance standard of the equipment. Recertify shall mean to test and properly label athletic equipment that has previously met the National Operating Committee on Standards for Athletic Equipment ("NOCSAE") recertification standard. A helmet cannot be recertified without being reconditioned. School inventoried football helmets and/or shoulder pads that do not pass inspection and are deemed unserviceable, will be replaced with new equipment at cost.

This is clearly a student safety issue. A formal bid to solicit these services through our standard Board approval process would take 8 to 10 months. Given the timeframe available to complete this service (4 months) we elected to use this Emergency Authority.

The Vendors will retrieve helmets and shoulder pads from all 62 schools starting November 2, 2020 and return helmets and shoulder pads to each school by January 11, 2021. Vendors will inspect helmets (including facemasks and chinstraps) and shoulder pads and provide the Office of OSA with a complete inventory of helmets and shoulder pads as well as complete price estimates to repair helmets, including facemasks and chin straps or replace shoulder pads.

After Reconditioning of helmets and shoulder pads is complete, Vendors will provide OSA with complete helmet aging (based on the manufacturer's born date) /tracking listed by school.

<b>Amount:</b> \$290,000	<b>Amount:</b> \$210,000
<b>Vendor No.:</b> 33592	<b>Vendor No.:</b> 18996
<b>Vendor Name:</b> Riddell, Inc.	<b>Vendor Name:</b> Kranos Holding Corporation & Subsidiaries DBA Schutt Sports
<b>Vendor Address:</b> 7501 Performance Lane North Ridgeville, OH 44039	<b>Vendor Address:</b> 710 S. Industrial Dr. Litchfield, IL 62056
<b>Purchase Order No.:</b> 3758654	<b>Purchase Order No.:</b> 3758653
<b>Budget Classification:</b> 13737.115.54125.150006.000000.2021	
<b>Source of Funds:</b> Sports Administration and Facilities Management - City Wide	

2. **New Hire Onboarding for Crossing Guards.** As a result of an interagency agreement, the City of Chicago transferred Crossing Guard positions to Chicago Public Schools ("CPS") as Crossing Guard responsibilities directly impact the safety of CPS' students. A total of 750 Crossing Guards transitioned full-time employment effective January 1, 2021. Each employee is required to complete a tuberculosis (TB) test and a drug test prior to being hired. The TB and drug test is typically an expense that must be paid directly by the new hire. Since the Crossing Guards were transferred to the District, the Talent Office opted to cover the cost of each employees' TB and drug test.

<b>Amount:</b> \$35,000
<b>Vendor No.:</b> 18321
<b>Vendor Name:</b> Mercyworks Occupational Medicine/Mercy Hospital & Medical Center
<b>Vendor Address:</b> Department 77-2988 Chicago, IL 60678-2988
<b>Purchase Order No.:</b> 3744761, 3751621, 3753728
<b>Budget Classification:</b> 12470.115.57305.231602.000000.2021
<b>Source of Funds:</b> Pension & Liability Insurance - City Wide

3. **Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA) Administration Services.** This action will allow Chicago Public Schools (CPS) to comply with the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1975 (ERISA), a Federal law that sets standards to protect employee benefits; which requires employers to provide notice to qualified individuals to enroll in COBRA as continuation of health coverage for those who lose their health benefits under the group health plan.

<b>Amount:</b> \$93,000
<b>Vendor No.:</b> 96731
<b>Vendor Name:</b> Payflex Systems USA, Inc.
<b>Vendor Address:</b> 11819 Miami St Suite 200, Omaha, NE 68164
<b>Purchase Order No.:</b> 3754413
<b>Budget Classification:</b> 11010.115.54125.232102.000000.2021
<b>Source of Funds:</b> Talent Office

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