

AUTHORIZE A NEW AGREEMENT WITH TEACHING STRATEGIES, LLC FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD CURRICULUM AND ASSESSMENT SERVICES

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Authorize a new agreement with Teaching Strategies, LLC. to provide Early Childhood curriculum and assessment services to the Office of Early Childhood Education at an estimated annual cost set forth in the Compensation Section of this report. Vendor was selected on a non-competitive basis. This item was presented to the Single/Sole Source Committee on April 20, 2022 and approved by the Chief Procurement Officer. Prior to approval as a Single Source, the item was published on the Procurement website on April 20, 2022, found here: cps.edu/procurement. The item will remain on the Procurement website until the May 25, 2022 Board Meeting. This process complies with the independent consultant's recommendations for sole source procurements and the Board's "Single/Sole Source Committee Charter." A written agreement for Vendor's services is currently being negotiated. No services shall be provided by Vendor and no payment shall be made to Vendor prior to the execution of their written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written agreement is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

Contract Administrator : Simpkins, Morgan A. / 773-553-2280

VENDOR:

- 1) Vendor # 90907
 TEACHING STRATEGIES, LLC
 4500 EAST-WEST HIGHWAY#300
 BETHESDA, MD 20814

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Limited Liability Company - 100% owned by
UTJ Holdco Inc.

USER INFORMATION :

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TERM:

The term of this agreement shall commence on June 1, 2022 and shall end July 31, 2025. This agreement shall have two (2) options to renew for periods of one (1) year each.

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT:

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

SCOPE OF SERVICES:

Vendor will provide the Creative Curriculum (preschool curriculum) and assessment services that are aligned to the curriculum. The City's preschool programs operated under the City's Department of Family Support Services use the same assessment services and curriculum, allowing for consistent data collection and reporting among preschool education providers. Additionally, Vendor shall continue to provide training and technical support to CPS teachers on how to use the curriculum and assessment services and how to input qualitative data.

DELIVERABLES:

Vendor will provide Creative Curriculum guided editions and the Creative Curriculum Cloud. Vendor will provide observational data on individual child development and data will continue to be collected on children in CPS preschool classrooms funded by ISBE. Qualitative data will continue to be entered by CPS teachers into the Teaching Strategies GOLD system to report on child outcomes. Training and technical support, data collection procedures, monitoring and reporting, and data elements will also be provided.

OUTCOMES:

Vendor's services will result in preschool teachers having access to city wide preschool curriculum in both digital and non-digital formats. CPS will also have access to observational data on individual child development that is collected, stored and reported from the vendor's system. Additionally, the vendor will provide training and technical support for CPS OECE staff, teachers, and administrators. Teachers will enter on an on-going basis, individual child observational data - including documentation and artifacts - into the TSG system. OECE staff, school administration, and classroom teachers will have access as appropriate to their role.

COMPENSATION:

Vendor shall be paid as follows:

Estimated annual costs for the three (3) year and two (2) month term are set forth below:

FY22 \$2,000,000

FY23 \$500,000

FY24 \$2,500,000

FY25 \$300,000

REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES:

None

AUTHORIZATION:

Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the agreement. Authorize Acting Chief, Early Childhood Education to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:

Pursuant to the Remedial Program for Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Participation in Goods and Services contracts, (M/WBE Program), this contract is exempt because this program is grant-funded.

LSC REVIEW:

Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report

FINANCIAL:

Fund 362, Early Childhood Education, Unit 11385

FY22 \$2,000,000

FY23 \$500,000

FY24 \$2,500,000

FY25 \$300,000

Not to exceed \$5,300,000 for the three (3) year and two (2) month term.
Future year funding is contingent upon budget approval and appropriation.

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:



CHARLES E. MAYFIELD
Chief Procurement Officer

Approved:



PEDRO MARTINEZ
Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to Legal Form:



JOSEPH T. MORIARTY
General Counsel