



Board of Education

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Board Report

25-0529-PR10

Agenda Date: 5/29/2025

AUTHORIZE THE FIRST RENEWAL AGREEMENT WITH CURRICULUM ASSOCIATES, LLC FOR K-2 READING AND MATHEMATIC ASSESSMENT SERVICES

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Authorize the first renewal agreement with Curriculum Associates, LLC to provide K-2 Reading and Mathematic Assessment services to the Office of Teaching and Learning at an estimated annual cost set forth in the Financial Section of this report. A written document exercising this option is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to Curriculum Associates, LLC during the option period prior to execution of the written document. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written document is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this option is stated below.

Specification Number: 21-345

Contract Administrator: Museitef, Suzanne S / 773-553-2280

VENDOR:

1) Vendor # 38873
CURRICULUM ASSOCIATES, LLC
153 Rangeway Rd
North Billerica, MA 01860

Donald Masters
800 2250248

Ownership: CRC Holdco LLC 100%

USER INFORMATION:

Project
Manager: 11210 - Student Assessment and MTSS
42 West Madison Street
Chicago, IL 60602

Leonard, Peter J
773-553-2430

ORIGINAL AGREEMENT:

The original Agreement (authorized by Board Report 22-0427-PR3) in the amount of \$6,750,000 is for a term

commencing May 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2025, with the Board having two (2) options to renew for two (2) year terms. The original agreement was awarded on a competitive basis pursuant to Board Rule 7-3.

OPTION PERIOD:

The term of this agreement is being renewed for two (2) years commencing July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2027.

OPTION PERIODS REMAINING:

There is one (1) option period for two (2) years remaining.

SCOPE OF SERVICES:

Vendor will continue to provide assessments, administration support, professional development, data collection, reporting, and project management to support the creation and maintenance of a comprehensive K-2 assessment system.

DELIVERABLES:

Vendor will continue to provide an early grades assessment system for schools. Vendors will continue to provide administration support, professional development, data collection, reporting, and project management to support the creation and maintenance of a comprehensive K-2 assessment system.

OUTCOMES:

Vendor's services will result in enabling 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 vendor's 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.

AUTHORIZATION:

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

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:

Pursuant to the Remedial Policy for Minority-Owned Business Enterprise (MBE) and Women-Owned Business Enterprise (WBE) policy participation in Goods and Services contracts, with aspirational goals of 30% MBE and 7% WBE. The Office of Business Diversity has granted a qualified exclusion and the Prime vendor has committed to 37% MBE of the addressable spend with their strategic plan and subcontractors. Congruent with the marketplace for this category of products and services, the MBE and WBE Policy, the adjustment to the aspirational goals is warranted and merited by the Office of Business Diversity,

LSC REVIEW:

Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL:

Fund 115 , Unit 11210 - Student Assessment and MTSS, 10810 - Teaching and Learning Office

FY26 - \$1,125,000

FY27 - \$1,125,000

Not to exceed \$2,250,000 for the two (2) year term. Future year funding is contingent upon budget appropriation and

approval.

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

The agreement shall contain general conditions including but not limited to the following: Inspector General provision, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1; Conflicts provision, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3; Indebtedness provision, in accordance with the Board's Indebtedness Policy adopted June 26, 1996 pursuant to Board Report 96-0626-PO3; Ethics provision, in accordance with the Board's Ethics Code as amended; and, Contingent Liability provision.

Approved for Consideration:



PATRICIA HERNANDEZ
Chief Procurement Officer

Approved:



PEDRO MARTINEZ
Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to Legal Form: 



RUCHI VERMA
General Counsel