

**AUTHORIZE A NEW AGREEMENT WITH NATIONAL STUDENT CLEARINGHOUSE FOR STUDENT  
POSTSECONDARY DATA**

**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Authorize a new agreement with National Student Clearinghouse (NSC) to provide student diploma verification and postsecondary enrollment and tracking services to the Office of Accountability at a total cost not to exceed \$225,000. Vendor was selected on a non-competitive basis: the sole-source request was presented to the Non-Competitive Procurement Review Committee and approved by Chief Purchasing Officer. 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 execution of the 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 : Flores, Miss Nanzi / 773-553-2280

**VENDOR:**

- 1) Vendor # 39882  
NATIONAL STUDENT CLEARINGHOUSE  
2300 DULLES STATION BLVD.  
HERDON, VA 20171-3280  
Gil Uribe  
703 733-4122

**USER INFORMATION :**

Project  
Manager: 16050 - Accountability  
  
125 S. Clark Street  
  
Chicago, IL 60603  
  
Barker, Mr. John R.  
  
773 553-2560

**TERM:**

The term of this agreement shall commence on the date the agreement is signed and shall end five (5) years thereafter. National Student Clearinghouse began providing services to the district in 2009 through a five (5) year agreement beginning March 5, 2009 and ending March 4, 2014 (Board Report 08-1022-PR19).

**EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT:**

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

**SCOPE OF SERVICES:**

National Student Clearinghouse (NSC) will continue to provide two services: 1. Diploma Verify and 2. EnrollmentSearch. These services will be provided for all CPS high schools, including those that may close and those that may open during the five (5) year agreement term and regardless of enrollment size.

1. DiplomaVerify: NSC will respond, on behalf of the CPS Student Records Department, to requests from prospective employers and postsecondary institutions seeking confirmation that a graduate has received a CPS diploma. Requests for confirmation must be accompanied by written consent from the graduate.

2. EnrollmentSearch: NSC will provide to the Office of Accountability data about verified enrollment of CPS graduates in postsecondary institutions.

**DELIVERABLES:**

**DiplomaVerify:**

- NSC will make available an online database of CPS graduates and will publish the availability of that online database to authorized users in order to check graduation status.
- NSC will provide 24 hour service to respond on behalf of CPS to authorized requests for diploma verification.
- NSC will provide to authorized CPS staff online access to the data needed for CPS to audit all transactions performed by NSC on behalf of CPS.

EnrollmentSearch: NSC will provide verified postsecondary enrollment data for CPS graduates in an electronic file. Data will include:

- Initial enrolled status
- Highest enrolled status
- Postsecondary institution
- Type of institution
- College graduation status
- Type of degree
- College major
- Enrollment history, including transfers

**OUTCOMES:**

Data services provided by NSC support the district's pillar two initiative of ensuring that every student graduates high school with a concrete postsecondary plan. The data will allow for the successful implementation of postsecondary metrics on the district's School Quality Rating Policy. It will also aide the ongoing efforts of the Offices of Accountability and College and Career Success to provide resources to schools to support students' postsecondary success.

**COMPENSATION:**

National Student Clearinghouse (NSC) shall be paid as specified in the agreement; total not to exceed the sum of \$225,000.

**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 Chief Accountability Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:**

Pursuant to Section 5.2 of the Remedial Program for Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise Participation in Goods and Services contracts, MBE/WBE provisions do not apply to those vendors who operate as Not-for-Profit organizations.

**LSC REVIEW:**

Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

**FINANCIAL:**

Fund, 115  
Office of Accountability, 16050  
FY14-FY18, \$45,000 per fiscal year, \$225,000 total

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:



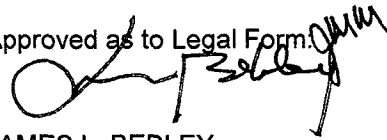
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