

**AUTHORIZE A NEW AGREEMENT WITH AMERICAN INSTITUTES FOR RESEARCH IN THE
BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES FOR EVALUATION SERVICES TO SUPPORT THE SUSTAINABLE
COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (SCS)**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Authorize a new agreement with American Institutes for Research in the Behavioral Sciences to provide Evaluation Services to Support the Sustainable Community Schools (SCS) to Office of Student Support and Engagement at an estimated annual cost set forth in the Compensation Section of this report. Vendor was selected on a competitive basis pursuant to Board Rule 7-3. 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.

Specification Number : 20-1208-Cpor-7631

Contract Administrator : Gonzalez, Ms. Cristina / 773-553-2280

VENDOR:

- 1) Vendor # 68697
American Institutes for Research in the
Behavioral Sciences
1000 THOMAS JEFFERSON STREET., NW
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Ownership: Not-For-Profit

USER INFORMATION :

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TERM:

The term of this agreement shall commence on February 1, 2021 and shall end June 30, 2022. This agreement shall have one (1) option to renew for a period of one (1) year.

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT:

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

SCOPE OF SERVICES:

The multi year analysis will focus on evaluating the impact of the SCS Pillars and Principles in the 20 school cohort. To assess what impact SCS has on students and families who participate in SCS programs, Vendor will use a comparative interrupted time series (CITS) study design (Bloom, 2003; Shadish et al., 2002). The CITS design is one of the most rigorous methods for establishing program impact when an experimental study is not possible. The research design uses the pre-intervention trend line of an outcome variable (e.g., 5Essential survey scores) as a comparison for the outcome measurements obtained after the intervention is implemented. Changes in the overall level of the outcome (intercept change) or its slope over time, following the intervention, will provide evidence about whether the SCS initiative is having an impact on key school outcomes. Vendor will also examine the extent to which the activities and services funded through the SCS initiative align with the key components of the SCS logic model.

DELIVERABLES:

Vendor will deliver various analyses, plans, findings and reports.

OUTCOMES:

Vendor will develop several forms of reporting activities, including ongoing monthly calls and quarterly taskforce meetings

Annual Reports. Results from each year of the evaluation will be summarized in annual reports that present a broader perspective on the evaluation. For example, the Year 1 report will describe the program and its potential impact relating to academic and behavioral outcomes, and the Year 2 report will describe the implementation of the program and any emerging best practices from the high-implementation schools. In addition, the evaluation team will share any recommendations for improvement relating to implementation fidelity or initiative outcomes.

Presentation of Findings. At the end of Year 2, Vendor will provide an in-person presentation of findings, including a set of field-friendly materials for broader dissemination within CPS. Vendor will work with the taskforce and evaluation subcommittee to make determinations on the types of materials that would be most useful, but these may include a field-friendly brief describing the evaluation approach, findings, and any initiative recommendations; a public-facing slide deck summarizing evaluation approach and findings; and executive summaries for the Year 1 and Year 2 reports.

COMPENSATION:

Vendor shall be paid as follows:

Estimated annual costs for the term are set forth below:

\$209,391 FY22

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 the Chief Officer of College and Career Success 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 Good and Services contracts, (M/WBE Program), this contract is exempt as this agreement is for a Not-for-Profit organization.

LSC REVIEW:

Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL:

Fund 115, Student Support and Engagement, Unit 11371

\$209,391, FY22

Not to exceed \$209,391 for the term.

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:




JONATHAN MAPLES
Chief Procurement Officer

Approved:



JANICE K. JACKSON
Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to Legal Form: 



JOSEPH T. MORIARTY
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