

June 23, 2021

**AUTHORIZE NEW AGREEMENTS WITH VARIOUS VENDORS FOR UNIVERSAL SCREENING, DIAGNOSTIC, PROGRESS MONITORING ASSESSMENT AND MTSS PLATFORM SERVICES**

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

Authorize new agreements with various vendors to provide a suite of screening, diagnostic, and progress monitoring assessments through a Multi-Tier Support System (MTSS) platform, and associated services to the Office of Teaching and Learning at an estimated annual cost set forth in the Compensation Section of this report. Vendors were selected on a competitive basis pursuant to Board Rule 7-3. Written agreements for Vendor's services are currently being negotiated. No services shall be provided by a Vendor and no payment shall be made to a Vendor prior to the execution of their written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind as to a Vendor in the event that Vendor's 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 : 21-350029

Contract Administrator : Hinton-Knowles, Miss Demetra / 773-553-2280

**VENDOR:**

- 1) Vendor # 31854  
Branching Minds, Inc.  
157 Columbus Avenue  
New York, NY 10023  
David Magier  
646 450-5174

Ownership: David Magier 29.886%, Maya  
Gat 38.462%

- 2) Vendor # 11291  
RENAISSANCE LEARNING, INC.  
2911 PEACH STREET  
WISCONSIN RAPIDS, WI 54495-8036  
Debra C. Scheonick  
800 200-4848

Ownership: RL Co-Investor Aggregator L.P.  
40.51%, Francisco Partners V, LP 26.92%,  
Francisco Partners V-A, LP 12.55%, The  
Rise Fund Raichu, LP - 15.77%

**USER INFORMATION :**

Project  
Manager: 11210 - Assessment  
42 West Madison Street  
Chicago, IL 60602  
Leonard, Mr. Peter J.  
773-553-2430

**PM Contact:**

10810 - Teaching and Learning Office  
42 West Madison Street  
Chicago, IL 60602  
Chavarria, Miss Sherly  
773-553-1216

**TERM:**

The term of each agreement shall commence on June 24, 2021 and shall end June 23, 2024. Each agreement shall have one (1) option to renew for a period of three (3) years.

**EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT:**

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

**SCOPE OF SERVICES:**

Vendors will provide assessments, intervention libraries, reporting tools, professional development, consulting services and implementation support as a part of a suite assessments and comprehensive MTSS intervention platform that enables schools to identify and respond to students needs. Additional services provided may include, but are not limited to, technical support, project management, problem resolution and training, technology support and guidance from content and measurement experts. These programs serve schools in grades K-12 in district-managed schools.

**DELIVERABLES:**

The Vendors will install and manage the assessment suite and MTSS platform at all participating schools and will train all Board identified users in the appropriate use of the tools.

**OUTCOMES:**

Vendor's services will result in the Board having the ability to administer math and reading assessments designed to identify and progress monitor the development of key skills. The Board will also gain the ability to implement and monitor a comprehensive and equitable MTSS system, providing students with appropriate interventions and instructional supports. Performance measure may include by are not limited to:

- Percent of milestones met
- Percent of teachers utilizing the systems
- Utilization rate of reports
- Rate of use satisfaction

**COMPENSATION:**

Vendor shall be paid as set forth in their respective agreements:

Compensation for the initial three (3) year term shall not exceed the following aggregate amount for all Vendors:

\$4,540,000 FY22  
\$4,600,000 FY23  
\$4,640,000 FY24

**REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES:**

None

**AUTHORIZATION:**

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

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:**

Pursuant to the Remedial Program for Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Participation in Goods and Services Contracts (M/WBE Program), the goals for this contract are 30% MBE and 7% WBE. The Office of Business Diversity has granted a partial waiver and the Prime vendors have committed to the participation goals of 30% MBE and 7% WBE of applicable spend.

**LSC REVIEW:**

Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

**FINANCIAL:**

Fund 115, 370 Department of Student Assessment, Unit 11210 Office of Teaching and Learning, Unit 10810

\$4,540,000 FY22 \$4,600,000 FY23 \$4,640,000 FY24

Not to exceed 13,780,000 for the three (3) year 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.

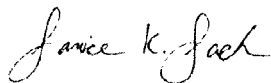
Contingent Liability - The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:

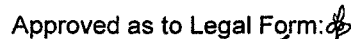


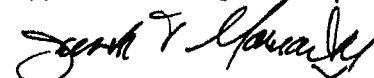
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