

**AUTHORIZE THE FIRST RENEWAL WITH NATIONAL LOUIS UNIVERSITY FOR CLASS
OBSERVATIONS FOR PRE-K CLASSROOM SERVICES**

THE SUPERINTENDENT/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Authorize the first renewal with National Louis University to provide CLASS Observations for Pre-K Classroom services at an estimated annual cost set forth in the Financial Section of this report. Vendor was selected on a non-competitive basis pursuant to Board Rule 7-6. 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 : Sss-69
Contract Administrator : Whitten, Justin / 773-553-2280

VENDOR:

- Vendor # 48030
1) National Louis University
1000 Capitol Drive
Wheeling, IL 60090
Kathleen Wildman
312 261-3227
Ownership: Not-for-Profit

USER INFORMATION :

Project 11360 - Early Childhood Development
Manager: 42 West Madison Street
Chicago, IL 60602
Bright, Jamie
773-553-2010

ORIGINAL AGREEMENT:The original Agreement (authorized by Board Report 25-0529-PR5) in the amount of \$1,696,606.16 is for a term commencing July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026, with the Board having two (2) options to renew for one (1) year terms. The original agreement was awarded on a non-competitive basis pursuant to Board Rule 7-6.

OPTION PERIOD:The term of this agreement is being renewed for one (1) year commencing July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027.

OPTION PERIODS REMAINING:There is one (1) option period for one (1) year remaining.

SCOPE OF SERVICES:Vendor will continue to provide and conduct classroom observations utilizing the CLASS Observation Tool. National Louis University will project manage the assessment process and cycle; be responsible for professional development of assessors; and provide foundational and interrater reliability training on the dimensions and domains of the CLASS tool to the assessment team. National Louis University will provide monthly and as-requested data reports to CPS. National Louis will share observation data and scores with Chicago Public Schools upon completion of each observation.

DELIVERABLES:Vendor will continue to provide observational data on classroom quality that will be collected from each assigned classroom. Qualitative and quantitative data will be submitted to CPS to facilitate quality support. The Director of Quality Assessment and the Quality Assessment Manager will communicate with stakeholders to determine the number and type of assessments to be completed.

National Louis University will connect via email to schedule an assessment window and exchange needed pre-assessment information. Post-Assessment information will be submitted to CPS via a designated online platform.

OUTCOMES: Vendor will continue to provide services that will result in completion of annual Pre-K CLASS Observations. The data will be used to support teacher's instructional practice within the classroom and oversight of program quality, therefore improving the student outcomes. Vendor's services ensure Chicago Public Schools remain in compliance with state requirements for quality ratings for preschool programs.

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 the Office of Early Childhood to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this option agreement.

BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION: Pursuant to the Remedial Policy for Minority-Owned Business Enterprise (MBE) and Women-Owned Business Enterprise (WBE) participation in Goods and Services contracts. The MBE and WBE Policy, the contract is an excluded transaction pursuant to the Goods and Services Policy, for the aspirational goals of 30% MBE and 7 % WBE, as the organization is a Not-for-Profit organization.

LSC REVIEW: Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL: Fund 362, Unit 11385 - Early Childhood Development - City Wide,

FY27 - \$1,696,606

Not to exceed \$1,696,606 for the one (1) year term. Future year funding is contingent upon budget appropriation and approval

Approved Category Codes for this Board Report:
924.00001 Educational Services - Early Childhood
924.00000 Educational Services - Miscellaneous
918.38000 Professional Development - Teachers

Category Codes may be modified by the Chief Procurement Officer as needed to support the Scope of Services

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 Section 404.2; Ethics provision, in accordance with the Board's Ethics Code as amended, and a Contingent Liability provision.

Approved for Consideration:



PATRICIA HERNANDEZ
Chief Procurement Officer

Approved:



MACQUILINE KING, Ed.D
Superintendent/Chief Executive Officer

Approved: 



ELIZABETH K. BARTON
General Counsel