

ACTION ON THE REQUEST TO WAIVE ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY 3.09(9)(e) to Enter into Contracts for Screening Assessment and Tier 2 and Tier 3 Interventions

RFP 1035 Authorization to Extend a Contract with Renaissance Learning, Inc. for Universal Screening Assessment

The Administration is requesting authorization to enter a contract with Renaissance Learning, Inc. for STAR 360 universal screening and progress monitoring in mathematics for students in grades 1-12 in both English and Spanish, and in reading for students in grades 4-12 in both English and Spanish. All STAR 360 assessments are norm-referenced aligned to the Common Core State Standards. STAR 360 may also be utilized as a progress monitoring tool for students in Tier 2 interventions at no additional cost. Additionally, Renaissance Learning, Inc. will provide customer support and service with a dedicated project manager, custom data integration, and up to nine hours of professional development sessions are included.

Contractor was chosen pursuant to RFP 1035 which closed on February 15, 2021. The original contract began July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 with the option of two additional one-year terms. The contract was extended for the first and second additional one-year term from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 and July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

The Administration is requesting a waiver of the three-year term limit as a result of the impact of ACT 20 on the reading readiness screener for children in grades K4-3. We are awaiting information from the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction that may not be available until July 2024. Without this critical information, the district is not able to complete an RFP at this time.

This contract will run from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 and will not exceed \$600,000.

Budget Code:

SYS-0-0-AMT-RH-ECTS...(Assessment Contract Services Systemology)..\$600,000.00

Renaissance Learning, Inc.

PRIME CONTRACTOR INFORMATION

Certified HUB Contractor?No
Total # of Employees 1,066
Total # of Minorities 164
Total # of Women638

HUB PARTICIPATION

RequiredN/A
ProposedN/A
\$ ValueN/A

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT – Component A (hours per 12-month contract)

Paid Student Employment Hour Commitment: 400 HOURS
Student Career Awareness Commitment: 10 HOURS

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT – Component B (hours per 12-month contract)

Paid Student Employment Hour Commitment: 200 HOURS

Student Career Awareness Commitment: 10 HOURS

RFP 1040 Authorization to Extend Contracts with Curriculum Associates, LLC and Imagination Stations, Inc. dba iStation for Tier 2 and Tier 3 Interventions

The Administration is requesting authorization to extend a contract with Curriculum Associates, LLC and Imagination Station, Inc. dba iStation for computer-based interventions as Tier 2 and Tier 3 academic supports to meet requirements of Response to Intervention (RtI). The purchase of this software meets the district's need for the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) for evidence and/or research-based interventions, to align with WI DPI's vision for RtI, and to support DPI special education corrective action compliance. The software allows students, families, teachers, school administrators, and district administrators to monitor individual student and school use and progress within the software. Interventions are based online and are available for students to access during the school's identified intervention time, as well as at home, in after school programs, or other settings.

The interventions are all research-based interventions, used by a variety of school districts across the country, in a wide range of settings in kindergarten through 12th grade. The interventions provide additional support to identified students performing below target in the area of math and reading in kindergarten through 12th grade. Use of the intervention with individualized instruction and activities for students based on their individual needs will provide additional support to close academic achievement gaps.

Contractors were chosen pursuant to RFP 1040, which closed on March 8, 2021. The original contract had a term of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 with the option of two additional one-year terms if certain performance metrics were met. The contracts were extended for the first and second additional one-year options to extend from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 and July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

The Administration is requesting a waiver of the three-year term limit for an additional one-year extension of these contracts as a result of the impact of ACT 20 on assessments and interventions. The contract would run from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025. We are awaiting information from Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) that may not be available until July that would indicate the diagnostic for K4-3rd and approved diagnostic assessments. An RFP will be issued in 2024-25 once we have further information on requirements for diagnostics and assessments.

Curriculum Associates, LLC. will provide online licenses as one option for both English and Spanish speaking students in Tier 2 math interventions in grades K5-9 at all schools and Tier 2 reading interventions in grades 4-9 at all schools. The total cost of this portion for these online services will not exceed \$490,896.00.

In addition, Curriculum Associates, LLC will provide ongoing professional development sessions and onsite support partner, which will provide school-based support in the effective delivery and monitoring of online and teacher led interventions. The total cost of this portion will not exceed \$175,000.00.

Curriculum Associates, LLC will also provide teacher-led intervention for schools identified through the Every Student Succeeds Act as Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI), Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI) and Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (ATSI). The total cost of this portion will not exceed \$611,898.00.

The total cost of this contract to Curriculum Associates, LLC will not exceed \$1,277,794.00.

A contract not to exceed \$117,155.00 will be issued to Imagination Station, Inc. dba Istation. This contract will provide online intervention licenses for students, professional learning and webinars for adults, including one webinar for parents for kindergarten-8 grade Spanish speaking students in the area of reading at selected schools.

Istation will also be used as a Spanish reading readiness screener for K4 and K5 ELL students. Utilizing a Spanish reading readiness screener will assist in providing a full picture of reading development that can be used by teachers and shared with families in the students’ language of instruction. This assessment will be additional to the reading screener in English provided by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction under Act 20. The total cost of this portion for the reading readiness Spanish K4/K5 screener will not exceed \$17,565.00.

The total cost of this contract to Istation will not exceed \$117,155.00.

The contracts will run from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 and the total of the contracts will not exceed \$1,394,949.

Budget Code:

OSC-0-S-1T5-RH-ECTS.....\$729,053.00
 SDV-0-S-3Z5-DW-ECTS\$665,896.00

Contractor	Amount
Curriculum Associates, LLC	\$1,277,794.00
Imagination Station, Inc. dba Istation	\$117,155.00

Curriculum Associates, LLC

PRIME CONTRACTOR INFORMATION

Certified HUB VendorNo
 Total # of Employees1,668
 Total # of Minorities437
 Total # of Women1168

HUB PARTICIPATION

RequiredNA
ProposedNA
\$ ValueNA

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT (hours per 12-month contract)

Paid Student Employment Hour Commitment: 300 HOURS
Student Career Awareness Commitment: 20 HOURS

Imagination Station, Inc. dba Istation

PRIME CONTRACTOR INFORMATION

Certified HUB VendorNo
Total # of Employees287
Total # of Minorities89
Total # of Women146

HUB PARTICIPATION

RequiredNA
ProposedNA
\$ ValueNA

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT (hours per 12-month contract)

Paid Student Employment Hour Commitment: 300 HOURS
Student Career Awareness Commitment: 20 HOURS