## (ATTACHMENT 1) ACTION ON THE AWARD OF EXCEPTION-TO-BID REQUESTS

This item initiated by the Administration.

#### ADMINISTRATION'S RECOMMENDATION

The Administration recommends that the Board approve the following exception-to-bid requests:

## Exception

# Authorization to Contract with College Campus Tours LLC for College and Career Readiness Tour Services

The Administration is requesting authorization to enter into a contract with College Campus Tours LLC for College and Career Readiness Tour Services for 100 students and ten staff members. Contractor will be used to deliver college and career readiness tours activities, including air and ground transportation, teaching aids and professional development, museum, touring and sightseeing services, food and accommodations.

The planned college tours will be directly tied to Academic and Career Planning (ACP) in Milwaukee Public Schools. In addition to organizing the travel and itinerary for the week-long tours, College Campus Tours will also include lessons for staff and students that can be used during designated ACP time at the individual participating Milwaukee Public High Schools. This program has three components: College Readiness, Leadership Development and Life Skills.

College Campus Tours will also create an itinerary to include a visit to a regional business which covers the careers aspect of ACP.

The tour will depart on Monday, March 27, 2023 and return on Thursday March 30, 2023. One hundred students and ten adults will participate. The tour includes stops at Morehouse College, Spelman College, Clark Atlanta University, Alabama State University, Martin Luther King Center, Tuskegee University, Alabama State University, Miles College, the George Washington Carver Museum, the Birmingham Civil Rights Museum, and several other planned events.

The exception to bid has been granted on the basis of one-of-a-kind, in that there are no available competitive alternative contractors that can provide this service (Administrative Policy 3.09(7)(E)(1)(b)(i).

The contract will run from March 26, 2023 through April 2, 2023. The total cost of the contract will not exceed \$138,595.

#### **Budget Code:**

FLD-H-S-9Y-3EO-ECTS..(Curriculum and Instruction – Contracted Services)... \$138,595

College Campus Tours LLC	
HUB PARTICIPATION	
Required	0
Proposed	NA
\$ Value	NA
<b>STUDENT ENGAGEMENT (hours per 12-month contract)</b>	
Paid Student Employment Hour C	ommitment: 0 HOURS
Student Career Awareness Comm	nitment: 0 HOURS

College Campus Tours LLC

## **Exception** Authorization to Contract with Hope Squad for Suicide Prevention Training and Support

The Administration is requesting authorization to enter into a contract with Hope Squad for suicide prevention training and support. Hope Squad shall provide virtual training for 50 MPS pupil services staff on Hope Squad suicide prevention curriculum to implement across 13 schools.

These services are required in order to implement the Hope Squad curriculum in our schools. Hope Squad is a peer-to-peer suicide prevention program, managed by trained, adult Hope Squad advisors. Schools with Hope Squad had significantly less suicide-related stigma, show a significant trend in referring the most high-risk students to trusted adults, and students with suicidal thoughts from Hope Squad schools are more likely than students from non-Hope Squad schools to solicit help from their parents.

Schools being served by this initiative include:

Brown Street Garland Green Tree Prep Hamilton Hartford Humboldt Park Kagel Lincoln Center of the Arts MacDowell Reagan Rogers Street Rufus King

Whitman

The Exception to Bid was granted on the basis of continuity. (Administrative Policy 3.09(7)(E)(1)(b)(iv)).

The contract will run from February 15, 2023 through February 22, 2023. The total cost of the contract will not exceed \$50,300.

The total cost of the contract in the Initial Term will not exceed \$50,300.

### **Budget Code:**

SDV-0S-8I3-DE-ECTS....(Exceptional Education & Supportive Services)........... \$50,300

### **Hope Squad**

## HUB PARTICIPATION

 Required
 0

 Proposed
 NA

 \$ Value
 NA

# STUDENT ENGAGEMENT (hours per 12-month contract)

Paid Student Employment Hour Commitment: 0 HOURS Student Career Awareness Commitment: 0 HOURS