

(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 Enter into a Contract with Reading & Math, Inc. d/b/a Wisconsin Reading Corps for Tutoring Services

The Administration is requesting authorization to enter into a contract with Reading & Math, Inc. d/b/a Wisconsin Reading Corps for tutoring services. Wisconsin Reading Corps focuses on boosting literacy success to grade level achievement through tutor training; coaching; assessment; interventions which focus on building the five key skills of phonics, phonemic awareness, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension.

The 16 schools that will receive tutoring services are: Forest Home Avenue School, Lincoln Avenue School, H.W. Longfellow School, Wisconsin Conservatory of Lifelong Learning (WCLL), Walt Whitman School, Auer Avenue School, Luther Burbank School, Cass Street School, Doerfler School, Hopkins Lloyd Community School, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. School, Milwaukee Parkside School for the Arts, O.W. Holmes School, Parkview School, Escuela Vieau, and La Escuela Fratney.

The exception from the requirement of a competitive procurement process for this contract has been granted on the basis of continuity. (Administrative Policy 3.09 (7) (e)(b) (iv)).

The contract will run from November 1, 2022, through June 18, 2023 and will not exceed \$210,000.00

Budget Code:

DTI-0-S-8F3-CI-ECTS..... \$210,000.00

Reading & Math, Inc. d/b/a Wisconsin Reading Corps
HUB PARTICIPATION

Required0%
ProposedN/A
\$ ValueN/A

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT (hours per 12-month contract)

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

Exception Authorization to Issue a Purchase Order to Tools for Schools Inc for Book Creator Premium Licenses

Authorization to issue a purchase order to Tools for Schools Inc for Book Creator premium licenses.

Tools for Schools Inc will provide the 24-month subscription for Book Creator 1000 premium license for 5000 teachers, as well as professional development support.

Book Creator supports the District’s effort to promote Ambitious Instruction in the areas of reading and writing by giving students a platform for their voice and allowing them to

become creative authors of their own digital books.

With over 50,000,000 eBooks created, Book Creator is the interactive digital notebook for the 21st century and is transforming teaching and learning around the world.

The Exception to Bid has been approved on the basis of one-of-a-kind: The goods have no available competitive product alternatives (Administrative Policy 3.09(7)(E)(1)(b)(i)).

The subscription will run from November 1, 2022 through October 31, 2024 and will not exceed \$171,000.00.

Budget Code:

DTI-0-S-8G3-CI-ETRS..... \$171,000.00

Tools for Schools Inc

HUB PARTICIPATION

Required0%

Proposed0%

\$ ValueN/A

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT (hours per 12-month contract)

Paid Student Employment Hour Commitment: 0 HOURS

Student Career Awareness Commitment: 0 HOURS

Exception Authorization to Contract with Wisconsin Center District for Graduation Ceremonies

The Administration is requesting authorization to enter into a contract with Wisconsin Center District for in-person graduation ceremonies for 16 MPS high schools which will be split between two weeks. Contractor will be used to deliver services including setting up, cleaning, staffing, video and sound for all ceremonies.

The Panther Arena will host our MPS graduations for our 16 largest high schools with live streaming available through the MPS YouTube channel. The Panther Arena also offers guests the ability to physically distance.

The contract will run from May 24, 2023 through May 25, 2023. The total cost of the contract will not exceed \$76,058.85 as a credit of \$6,780.02 from 2022 is being applied to the full amount of \$82,838.87.

The request for exception to bid has been granted on the basis of MPS Standard: The services provided by this vendor comply with an established MPS standard (Administrative Policy 3.09(7)(e)(1)(b)(vi)).

Budget Code:

OGA-0-0-ADS-LS-ECTS..(Leadership Services – Contracted Services).. \$76,058.85

Wisconsin Center District

HUB PARTICIPATION

RequiredNA

ProposedNA

\$ ValueNA

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT (hours per 12-month contract)

Paid Student Employment Hour Commitment: 0 HOURS

Student Career Awareness Commitment: 0 HOURS

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The contract will run from May 30, 2023 through May 31, 2023. The total cost of the contract will not exceed \$76,058.85.

The request for exception to bid has been granted on the basis of MPS Standard: The services provided by this vendor comply with an established MPS standard (Administrative Policy 3.09(7)(e)(1)(b)(vi)).

Budget Code:

OGA-0-0-ADS-LS-ECTS. (Leadership Services – Contracted Services).. \$76,058.85

Wisconsin Center District

HUB PARTICIPATION

RequiredNA

ProposedNA

\$ ValueNA

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT (hours per 12-month contract)

Paid Student Employment Hour Commitment: 0 HOURS

Student Career Awareness Commitment: 0 HOURS

Exception Authorization to Contract with United Negro College Fund Inc for Empower Me Tour (EMT)©

The Administration is requesting authorization to enter into a contract with The United Negro College Fund Inc (UNCF) Empower Me Tour (EMT)©. The United Negro College Fund Empower Me Tour is a free, in-person college fair with educational sessions and motivational speakers for MPS seniors. The UNCF EMT is a national series established to inspire and motivate high school students, college students and recent college graduates toward academic excellence, career success and personal responsibility. The UNCF is the only organization that is able to provide MPS students the opportunity to meet with its thirty-seven (37) Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) that belong to the UNCF network of member institutions, along with local colleges, institutions, and universities at the Wisconsin Center. The Empower Me Tour usually makes four stops per year in selected cities, but this year they are selecting Milwaukee Public Schools as their only EMT stop in the United States based on the overwhelming response from MPS students and families in 2018 and 2019.

Hosted in Milwaukee, Wisconsin in partnership with Milwaukee Public Schools, this year's EMT provides the opportunity for high school seniors to gain acceptance into undergraduate schools, earn scholarship funds and/or secure jobs and internships on location. Participants and parents/family attend a series of presentations, panels and interactive workshops offered through two distinct tracks—a college-readiness program and a career-readiness program—to help them get successfully to and through college and obtain meaningful employment thereafter.

On November 10, 2022, MPS parents will participate in an interactive session discussing ways to pay for college, understanding the admissions process, and seeing their students to and through college

On November 11, 2022, MPS high school seniors will have the opportunity to experience the tour firsthand. The event will take place at the Wisconsin Center. MPS students attending the UNCF Empower Me Tour also has a chance to qualify for the EMT Merit Scholarship. Students will submit their application on site and winners will be announced during the day of the tour.

The Exception to Bid has been approved on the basis of one-of-a-kind (Administrative Policy 3.09(7)(E)(1)(b)(i)).

The contract will run from November 9, 2022 through January 31, 2023. The total cost of the contract will not exceed \$200,000.00.

Budget Code:

FLD-H-S-9Y3-EO-ECTS..... \$200,000.00

United Negro College Fund Inc

HUB PARTICIPATION

RequiredNA

ProposedNA

\$ ValueNA

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT (hours per 12-month contract)

Paid Student Employment Hour Commitment: 0 HOURS

Student Career Awareness: 0 HOURS