

**(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 Extend a Contract with Cooperative Education Service Agency (CESA)#1 for Title IA, Title ID, Title IIA, Title IVA, Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) services and the Governors Emergency Education grant services (GEER)**

The Administration requests authorization to extend a contract with Cooperative Education Service Agency #1 (“CESA”) for Title IA, Title ID, Title IIA, Title IVA, ESSER services and the Governor’s Emergency Education Relief grant services. This contractor will provide Title ID, Title IIA, Title IVA, ESSER, and GEER services at Milwaukee Academy, The contractor will provide Title IA, Title ID, Title IIA, Title IVA, ESSER, and GEER services at St. Rose Youth and Family Center. The Contractor will provide Title IA, Title ID, Title IIA, Title IVA, ESSER, and GEER services at St. Charles Youth and Family Center, Focus Program. The contractor will provide Title IA, Title ID, Title IIA, Title IVA services at Bakari Center. The contract includes the CESA #1 membership and service flat fee.

MPS, as the Local Education Agency, is obligated to provide Title IA, Title ID, Title IIA, Title IVA, ESSER, and GEER services for students at these institutions especially for students at risk of failing. The allocation amounts are provided through the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction and are estimated based on a formula determined by federal law.

The contract provided for two one-year options to extend. This will be the first extension option. This contract extension will run from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

The total cost of the contract in this first extension year will not exceed \$162,646.48.

**Budget Codes:**

<b>Estimated Allocation for CESA Service Fees:</b>		
SCF-0-0-CTG-DW-ECTS	The Basic CESA Membership Fee	\$12,500
SCF-0-0-CTG-DW-ECTS	A Basic Service Flat Fee	\$ 900
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$13,400</b>
<b>Estimated Allocation for CESA Services at Milwaukee Academy</b>		
GOE-0-I-9A2-KY-ECTS	Title ID	\$32,559.00
GOE-0-I-1N2-1S-ECTV	Title IA	\$19,771.65
MSS-0-S-T22-1S-ECTS	Title IIA	\$ 2,209.75
MSS-0-S-4B2-1S-ECTS	Title IVA	\$ 1,458.55
MSS-0-S-6H2-1S-ECTS	<b>ESSER</b>	\$ 2,061.79
GOE-0-I-6Z2-1S-ECTV	<b>GEER</b>	\$ 648.29
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$58,709.03</b>
<b>Estimated Allocation for CESA Services at St. Charles Youth &amp; Family Services</b>		
GOE-0-I-9A2-25-ECTS	Title ID	\$32,567.00
GOE-0-I-1N2-1S-ECTV	Title IA	\$10,356.57
MSS-0-S-T22-1S-ECTS	Title IIA	\$ 1,157.49
MSS-0-S-4B2-1S-ECTS	Title IVA	\$ 764.00
MSS-0-S-6H2-1S-ECTS	<b>ESSER</b>	\$ 2,688.97
GOE-0-I-6Z2-1S-ECTV	<b>GEER</b>	\$ 533.88

<b>Total</b>		<b>\$48,067.91</b>
<b>Estimated Allocation for CESA Services at St. Rose Youth &amp; Family</b>		
GOE-0-I-9A2-57-ECTS	Title ID	\$ 8,909.00
GOE-0-I-1N2-1S-ECTV	Title IA	\$ 2,824.52
MSS-0-S-T22-1S-ECTS	Title IIA	\$ 315.68
MSS-0-S-4B2-1S-ECTS	Title IVA	\$ 208.36
MSS-0-S-6H2-1S-ECTS	<b>ESSER</b>	\$ 1,185.03
GOE-0-I-6Z2-1S-ECTV	<b>GEER</b>	\$ 228.81
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$13,671.40</b>
<b>Estimated Allocation for CESA Services at Bakari Center</b>		
GOE-0-I-9A2-5A-ECTS	Title ID	\$2,2101.00
GOE-0-I-1N2-1S-ECTV	Title IA	\$ 5,649.05
MSS-0-S-T22-1S-ECTS	Title IIA	\$ 631.36
MSS-0-S-4B2-1S-ECTS	Title IVA	\$ 416.73
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$28,798.14</b>
<b>Cooperative Education Service Agency (CESA)</b>		<b>\$162,646.48</b>
<b>CONTRACT NOT TO EXCEED</b>		

**Cooperative Education Service Agency #1**

**HUB PARTICIPATION**

Required.....0%  
Proposed.....0%  
\$ Value.....N/A

**STUDENT ENGAGEMENT (hours per 12-month contract)**

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

**Exception Authorization to Enter into an Agreement with Milwaukee County Youth Education Center for Title ID Services**

The Administration requests authorization to enter into an agreement with Milwaukee County Youth Education Center (MCYEC) for Title I, Part D, Subpart 2 services. This school is an MPS school that provides instruction and continuity of services for a population of Milwaukee County Jail inmates ages 12-20.

MPS, as the Local Education Agency for MCYEC, is obligated to provide these Title ID services for students continuing to learn while incarcerated. The Title ID allocation amount is provided through the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction and is estimated based on a formula determined by federal law.

The exception from the requirement of a competitive procurement process for this contract has been granted on the basis that the services under this contract are required via a grant (Title ID grant funding) (Administrative Policy 3.09(2)(c))

This agreement will run from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. The total cost of the agreement in this term will not exceed \$28,356.24.

**Budget Codes:**

GOE-0-I-9A2-MY-ECTS.....(Title ID).....\$28,356.24

**Milwaukee County Youth Education Center**

**HUB PARTICIPATION**

Required.....0%

Proposed.....0%  
 \$ Value.....N/A  
**STUDENT ENGAGEMENT (hours per 12-month contract)**  
 Paid Student Employment Hour Commitment: 0  
 Student Career Awareness Commitment: 0

**Exception Authorization to Contract with Wisconsin Center District for MPS High School Graduation Ceremonies**

The Administration is requesting authorization to enter into a contract with Wisconsin Center District “WCD” for in-person graduation ceremonies for 16 MPS high schools. Contractor will be used to deliver in person graduation ceremonies for 16 high schools with an approved safety plan for gatherings of over 250 people from the Milwaukee Health Department. Services include setting up, cleaning, staffing, video and sound for all ceremonies.

Under the current COVID-19 restrictions in the City of Milwaukee, all gatherings over 250 people must have an approved plan from the Milwaukee Health Dept. With the ability to physically distance the guests at the ceremony, The Panther Arena will host the graduations for the 16 largest MPS high schools with a maximum capacity of 1800 in attendance per ceremony. Therefore, the exception from the requirement of a competitive procurement process for this contract has been granted on the basis that the services under this contract meet a the unique design required by the City of Milwaukee (Administrative Policy 3.09(7)(e)(1)(b)(vi))

The contract will run from June 1, 2021 through June 4, 2021. The total cost of the contract will not exceed \$146,318.28.

**Budget Code:**  
 OGA-0-0-ADS-LS-ECTS.....(School Administration – Contract Services).....\$146,316.28

**Wisconsin Center District**  
**HUB PARTICIPATION**  
 Required .....N/A  
 Proposed .....N/A  
 \$ Value .....N/A  
**STUDENT ENGAGEMENT (hours per 12-month contract)**  
 Paid Student Employment Hour Commitment: 0  
 Student Career Awareness Commitment: 0

**Exception Authorization to Issue a Purchase Order to Teachers’ Curriculum Institute, LLC for Online Teacher Licenses**

The Administration is requesting authorization to issue purchase orders to Teachers’ Curriculum Institute, LLC (“TCI”) for previously adopted teacher online program subscriptions.

The purchase of 420 teacher licenses is needed to continue district-wide support for K5-5<sup>th</sup> grade social studies. TCI provides social studies standards-aligned, online resources for students in grades K5-5<sup>th</sup> grade. These resources are the foundation for social studies instruction in the above stated grades including summer school. The last adoption for K5-5<sup>th</sup> grade social studies was in 2009 and this two-year request for subscriptions will service students until the next social studies adoption.

The exception from the requirement of a competitive procurement process for these purchases have been granted on the basis of continuity of goods (Administrative Policy 3.09(7)(e)(1)(b)(iv)).

The license period will be from May 1, 2021, through April 30, 2023.

The total cost of the goods purchased will not exceed \$68,460.

**Budget Code:**

GEN-0-0-INV-DW-ENTB.....(Instructional Resources – Non Textbooks).....\$68,460

**Teachers’ Curriculum Institute, LLC**

**HUB PARTICIPATION**

Required .....N/A

Proposed .....N/A

\$ Value .....N/A

**STUDENT ENGAGEMENT (hours per 12-month contract)**

Paid Student Employment Hour Commitment: 0

Student Career Awareness Commitment: 0

**Exception Authorization to Issue a Purchase Order to Learning A-Z, LLC for Online Resource Licenses**

The Administration is requesting authorization to issue a purchase order, on the basis of continuity, to Learning A-Z, LLC for 3,580 online resource licenses for the following products: Reading A-Z, RAZ-Kids (RAZ Plus); Science A-Z; Vocabulary A-Z and Headsprout.

Learning A-Z resources (Reading A-Z, RAZ-Kids/RAZ Plus; Science A-Z; Vocabulary A-Z, and Headsprout) are impactful for a broad range of students, encompass best practices in education, and support key instructional elements such as the Wisconsin Common Core State Standards (CCSS), Differentiated Instruction, Personalized Learning, and Tiered Instruction. Learning A-Z addresses these key instructional resources for the district to save teachers time and increase students’ performance.

Reading A-Z provides: differentiated reading instruction during all parts of the instructional block to supplement and align to adopted resources; differentiated leveled practice to support independent work for all learners; differentiated homework practice that motivates and builds better readers and writers; and progress monitoring tools for teachers to monitor student achievement and plan for explicit small group instruction.

Raz-Kids is an award-winning resource that provides a library of differentiated books at 29 levels of difficulty students use to practice reading in school, at home, or on the go. Digital and mobile access means that students get the personalized reading practice they need anytime, anywhere. And with easy-to-use online controls, teachers can quickly manage and track their students’ reading progress in a matter of minutes. It provides meaningful online reading practice on computers and mobile devices with hundreds of leveled books and corresponding quizzes offered at 29 levels of reading difficulty. Raz-Kids encourages close reading skills and the reading and writing connection with interactive tools and constructed response quiz questions. Raz-Kids Make practicing reading fun with the engaging Kids A-Z eLearning environment, which includes built-in motivational rewards and allows parents, students and teachers to easily track individual and class-wide progress with digital reports.

Science A-Z provides: embedded literacy in the content area classroom science instruction; and provide content area teachers differentiated resources to provide instruction and reinforce literacy skills and strategies that are effective for their subject areas to have students read like subject-area experts.

Vocabulary A-Z provides differentiated vocabulary and word work instruction during the small group teacher- led reading group that aligns to adopted resources; and differentiated vocabulary and word work leveled practice for independent work at the vocabulary and word work literacy work station.

The exception from the requirement of a competitive procurement process for these purchases have been granted on the basis of continuity of goods (Administrative Policy 3.09(7)(e)(1)(b)(iv)).

The license period will be from July 15, 2021, through July 14, 2022. Included with the cost of the licenses are onsite and webinar trainings, as needed.

The total cost of this purchase will not exceed \$937,078.

**Budget Code:**

GEN-0-0-INV-DW-ENTB.....(Instructional Resources – Non Textbooks).....\$937,078

**Learning A-Z, LLC**  
**HUB PARTICIPATION**

Required .....0%  
Proposed .....0%  
\$ Value ..... N/A

**STUDENT ENGAGEMENT (hours per 12-month contract)**

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

**Exception Authorization to Renew Virtual Library Services Subscriptions with Various Vendors**

The Administration is requesting authorization to purchase one-year renewal subscriptions for district-wide virtual library services. The current virtual library databases offer continuity in the District’s overall plan to invest in library staffing and technology and continue to be a core resource for the library skills (research and inquiry) curriculum. Digital resources allow students to engage in research/inquiry to investigate topics and provide experiences for self-directed, real-life investigations.

These purchases will be paid for with Common School Funds. The Common School Fund provides annual library aid support to all Wisconsin public school districts. Each district must spend its total Library Aid allocation for appropriate library materials by June 30 of that same year. Digital, video-streamed, or web-based resources are earmarked materials that support the school library media program.

The exception from the requirement of a competitive procurement process for these purchases have been granted on the basis of continuity of goods (Administrative Policy 3.09(7)(e)(1)(b)(iv)).

The District’s collection of digital resources provides equity to all MPS sites. Additionally, full access to all databases is available from home on a 24/7 basis. On-site and online professional development is available to all MPS educators for all resources. The database renewal costs are outlined below:

<b>Vendor</b>	<b>Products</b>	<b>Subscription Period</b>	<b>Area of Focus</b>	<b>Amount</b>
BrainPOP	BP, JR, ELL, Espanol, Creative Coding	Oct. 1, 2021-Sept. 30, 2022	K4-12	\$290,718.00
Capstone	Pebble Go	June 30, 2021-June 30, 2022	K4-3	\$124,768.95
Cengage Learning	Biography in Context/	June 30, 2021 June 29, 2022	5-12	\$50,460.90
Cengage Learning	Gale in Context MS /Opposing Viewpoints in Context	June 30, 2021 June 29, 2022	7-12	\$43,209.86
Defined Learning	Defined STEM	August 1, 2021-July 31, 2022	K-12	\$277,860.00
Discovery Education	DE Curriculum Services (Streaming)	July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022	K4-12	\$377,786.28
Nearpod	Flocabulary	August 5, 2021-August 4, 2022	K4-12	\$123,042.44
Follett	Library Manager	August 30, 2021-August 31, 2022	K4-12	\$151,672.74
Follett	Resource Manager	August 30, 2021-August 31, 2022	K4-12	\$52,845.01
OverDrive	Digital Library, eBooks, Video, and Audio	August 1, 2021-July 31, 2022	K-12	\$70,000.00
Proquest	SIRS Discoverer/SIRS Issues Researcher	August 1, 2021-July 31, 2022	6-12	\$21,927.46
Proquest	Culture Grams Online	July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022	3-12	\$57,416.32
Texthelp, Inc.	Read & Write Google/Snapverter	August 1, 2021-August 1, 2022	K4-12	\$125,627.40
World Book Inc.	Digital Subscription	July 2, 2021-July 2, 2022	K4-12	\$ 35,078.00
Xello {Career Cruising}	Xello for Elementary School	Oct. 1, 2021-Sept. 30, 2022	K-12	\$52,500.00

The subscription renewals will be paid for with Common School Funds and textbook funds, and the total cost of subscription services will not exceed \$1,854,913.36

**Budget Code(s):**

SLB-0S-CSF-DW-ESWR.....(School Library - Non-Textbooks).....\$1,802,068.35  
 GEN-00-INV-DW-ETXB.....(Textbook Funds – for Resource Manager)..... \$52,845.01