

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
County of Cook and State of Illinois

TESTING MATERIALS
ALL COLLEGES

(Amend Board Report # 28111 adopted June 20,2007)

REPORTS THE CHANCELLOR
that in Fiscal Year 2007 Board Report#28111 gives approval to purchase various testing materials which include but are not limited to the T.A.B.E. test, G.E.D. Practice test, and B.E.S.T. test, B.E.S.T. Plus for Adult Education and other educational units for the District; and

that there is a need to add the Center for Applied Linquistics to the approved list of testing material for the Adult education program in order to obtain the internet/electronic version of the B.E.S.T test; and

that based on the state requirements for testing and materials the staff recommends approval to purchase the various testing materials which are procurable only through the vendors listed through June 30, 2008:

Association of Classroom Teachers Testers	\$ 10,500
Mid-American Publishers	\$ 15,000
Curriculum Publications Clearinghouse	\$ 60,000
CTB/McGraw Hill (plus subsidiaries)	\$ 350,000
Steck Vaughn	\$ 100,000
Scantron	\$ 150,000
*Center for Applied Linquistics	<u>\$ 50,000</u>
Total	\$ 735,500

(* denotes change)

that this sole source purchase is exempt from the District's competitive bidding requirements; and

that the Office of M/WBE Contract Compliance has reviewed the above referenced purchase order for required testing materials, and since each of these vendors are a sole source for their respective testing materials, it is recommended that a waiver from compliance from the Board approved Participation Plan be granted.

RECOMMENDS THE CHANCELLOR
that the Board of Trustees approves the additional funds in amount of \$50,000 for the issuance of purchase orders on as needed basis to the Center for Applied Linquistics identified above for the purchase of the required testing materials through June 30, 2008.

FINANCIAL Not to exceed \$50,000 – Educational and/or Grant Funds – Various Colleges- Account 541200

Respectfully submitted:

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Chancellor