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**ADOPTED – BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
JULY 13, 2021**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES DISTRICT NO. 508
COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS**

**College Placement Testing
McGraw Hill Global Educational Holdings, LLC
OFFICE OF ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT
DISTRICT WIDE**

THE CHANCELLOR RECOMMENDS:

That the Board of Trustees authorizes the Chair, upon final approval of the General Counsel as to the legal form of such agreement, to execute an agreement with McGraw Hill Global Educational Holdings, LLC to provide college placement math services for the period commencing July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024, at a total cost not to exceed \$1,125,000.

VENDOR: McGraw Hill Global Educational Holdings, LLC (McGraw-Hill)
2 Penn Plaza
New York, New York, 10121

USER: District Wide

TERM:

The term of this agreement shall commence no sooner than July 1, 2021 and continue through June 30, 2024, with an option to renew for two (2) one- year periods.

SCOPE OF SERVICES:

McGraw will continue to provide ALEKS PPL, a computer adaptive math testing for credit student placement of new students. ALEKS PPL has demonstrated great accuracy and predictive validity in math placement and provides multiple opportunities for students to learn and improve their scores.

BENEFIT TO CITY COLLEGES OF CHICAGO:

ALEKS PPL provides not only placement indication for math but diagnostics that allow instructors to not only know that a student should be placed in Math 118 but that the student requires additional help with solving linear equations.

VENDOR SELECTION CRITERIA:

Specifications were prepared by District Procurement staff and Request for Proposals (RFP #SH2105) were publicly advertised on April 9, 2021. The RFP was sent to five (5) companies and a pre-proposal conference was held on April 15, 2021. The following three (3) firms responded on April 30, 2021: (1) McCann Associates; (2) McGraw-Hill; and (3) College Board. The firm's proposals were reviewed, evaluated and

ranked by staff which included Faculty, Office of Enrollment Management and Office of Information Technology based upon the following evaluation criteria:

The evaluation criteria included:

1. Relevant Experience
2. Requirements
3. Client Portfolio
4. Fee/Cost Proposal
5. MBE/WBE Compliance Plan

Based on the evaluation scoring, staff recommended the acceptance of the proposal from McGraw Hill-ALEKS PPL to provide College Placement Test Services. McGraw Hill-ALEKS PPL allows for online testing and has open-ended questions which interface with CCC's systems.

MBE / WBE COMPLIANCE:

The Office of MBE/WBE compliance has reviewed the above-referenced agreement and recommends a waiver of the Board Approved Participation Plan due to the nature of the services ("diagnostic placement tool for mathematics") and the absence of subcontracting opportunities.

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

Inspector General – It shall be the duty of each party to the agreement to cooperate with the inspector General for City Colleges of Chicago in any investigation conducted pursuant to the Inspector General's authority under Article 2, Section 2.7.4(b) of the Board Bylaws.

Ethics – It shall be the duty of each party to the agreement to comply with the applicable provisions of the Board's Ethics policy adopted January 7, 1993, and as amended by the Board.

Contingent Liability – Pursuant to Section 7-14 of the Illinois Public Community College Act, all agreements authorized herein shall contain a clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year.

FINANCIAL:

Total: \$1,125,000

Charge to: Enrollment Management

Sources of Funds: Education Fund

FY22: 530000-00003-0017015-80000

Respectfully submitted,

**Juan Salgado
Chancellor**

July 13, 2021 – Enrollment Management