



**Department of
Education**
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Committee on Contracts Agenda

The Department of Education's (DOE) Chancellor's Committee on Contracts (COC) has been asked for approval to enter into contract negotiations with the following organization(s) for the services described below. Other organizations interested in providing these services to the DOE are invited to indicate their ability to do so in writing to Jay G. Miller at 65 Court Street, Room 1201, Brooklyn, NY, 11201. Responses should be received no later than 10:00 AM, Tuesday, January 31, 2012. Any COC approval will be contingent upon no expressions of interest in performing services by other parties.

Items for Consideration:

1. iMentor

Service(s): Ten schools within the New Visions Partnership Support Organization seek to enter into an agreement with iMentor, a not-for-profit organization providing 1:1 mentoring services to low-income, high school students so that they graduate with the required skills to succeed in college. iMentor's program will connect high school students with college educated mentors who will support students through graduation and transition to college. The \$1.1 million DOE contribution will represent less than 10% of the program's annual cost. iMentor and New Visions will fund the rest.

Term: 7/1/12 – 6/30/17

Total Contract Cost Not-to-Exceed: \$1,120,000

2. Relay Graduate School of Education

Service(s): The Office of Teacher Recruitment and Quality (TRQ) is seeking an agreement with Relay Graduate School of Education (RGSE), a graduate school that offers a master's degree program designed to respond to the need for effective teachers in low-income communities. RGSE will deliver Master's and Certification Services to Alternate Route Teachers in high need subject and geographic areas in NYC's public schools. The Master's degree would include coursework and adjunct faculty visitation, in accordance with the New York State Education Department regulations for Transitional B certificate holders.

Term: 6/1/12 – 5/31/14

Estimated Contract Cost: \$780,000

3. American Museum of Natural History

Service(s): The Division of School Support Services is seeking an agreement with the American Museum of Natural History (AMNH) for the Urban Advantage Middle School Science Program (UA). UA aims to develop schools' capacity to provide resources for students and teachers to implement science investigations and intensify science content knowledge. It includes collaborations with the Brooklyn and New York Botanical Gardens, and the Wildlife Conservation Society's Bronx Zoo, New York Aquarium and the Staten Island Zoo. The program includes classroom materials and equipment, professional development that promotes teaching and learning of scientific inquiry and investigation, access to UA institutions through free school and family trips and the development of lead teachers and demonstration schools.

DOE: \$999,277

City Counsel Allocation: \$1,884,666

Term: 7/1/11 – 6/30/12

Total Contract Cost Not-to-Exceed: \$2,883,944



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4. Publicolor, Inc.

Service(s): The Office of the Deputy Chancellor for Finance and Administration is seeking an agreement with Publicolor, Inc. to continue to provide school enhancement services. Publicolor is a not-for-profit organization which provides enhancement and beautification services to New York City schools, primarily funded by private monies. Students paint school interiors and exteriors according to plans that are jointly developed with the building principal and student leaders. Publicolor also provides internships and training to student leaders who in turn, through the Paint Club, help other schools transform their buildings. Publicolor provides approximately five dollars for every one dollar provided by a DOE school.

Term: 3/1/12 – 2/28/14

Estimated Contract Cost: \$520,000
