



**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 9:00 AM, Thursday, May 17, 2012. Any COC approval will be contingent upon no expressions of interest in performing services by other parties.

Item for Consideration:

1. Teach for America

Service(s): The Office of Teacher Recruitment and Quality (TRQ) is seeking an agreement with Teach for America (TFA) to provide services for alternate route teachers. TFA recruits working professionals and outstanding college graduates of all majors to commit two years to teach in urban and rural public schools. In turn, these individuals receive training and professional development to become certified and eligible for employment in DOE schools. Since Fall 2001, the DOE has subsidized the university component of the TFA Certification program. In the Fall of 2012, TFA expects to place approximately 180 corps members to serve in some of New York City's most hard-to-staff public schools. TFA will provide another 200 corps members in 2013 as well as 2014. Further, the DOE pays \$4,500 to TFA per new teacher recruit for operating services associated with recruiting, selecting, training, and supporting TFA teachers plus \$2,000 in tuition subsidy.

Term: 9/1/12 – 8/31/17

Estimated Contract Cost Not-to-Exceed: \$3,430,000

2. Coro New York Leadership Center

Service(s): The Office of the Deputy Chancellor for Equity and Access is seeking an agreement with Coro New York Leadership Center (CORO) to provide a two year training program in leadership skills to approximately 40 10th and 11th grade NYC public high school students annually.

CORO, in partnership with the Mayor's Youth Leadership Council (MYLC) and the DOE, trains youths in leadership skills. These young people will make recommendations to the Mayor on matters that impact the lives of students who attend New York City Department of Education Public Schools. This program will allow students to work directly with the Mayor and city officials to offer input into NYC policymaking with the purpose of potentially sparking an interest in careers in government.

Coro Contribution: \$100,588

Tax Levy: \$322,752

Term: 7/1/12 – 6/30/14

Total Contract Cost Not-to-Exceed: \$433,340



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3. American Reading Company

Service(s): The Office of School Programs and Partnerships is seeking an agreement with American Reading Company (ARC) to provide expertise in the development of informational text/non-fiction trade book and non-trade book for K-12 classroom selections and libraries.

ARC will research, develop, and propose ten Model Unit Text Collections and supporting materials in Science or Social Studies to align with the Common Core Learning Standards (CCLS). ARC will devise text collections and supporting instructional materials to allow schools to explore a new way of utilizing texts in the classroom. ARC will prepare and maintain reprint permission rights on behalf of the DOE for all selected texts not in the public domain. The experience and information garnered through this pilot program will inform a Request for Proposals for fiscal year 2013.

Term: 5/1/12 – 6/30/12

Total Contract Cost Not-to-Exceed: \$213,000
