

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Recommendation to Approve First Amendment and Renewal 58-036E – Defined Stem License

This request is to approve the First Amendment to Agreement between Defined Learning, LLC and The School Board of Broward County, Florida (SBBC), for one (1) year, starting August 9, 2018 through July 31, 2019. The current agreement was approved on August 8, 2017, SBOM Item EE-10 with an approved spending authority of \$260,000.

Program Details

To improve the quality of the education for Broward County students, the District must focus on the learning artifacts and life behaviors produced by students as well as focus on the feedback students receive from teachers to improve quality work. Multiple-choice tests, while they have a place in education, limit the creativity of students as well as limit a teacher's ability to understand a student's level of mastery and provide appropriate feedback. Performance tasks are used to allow students to engage in complex tasks with an appropriate level of student autonomy as well as include artifact production. The tasks allow students many entry points to solve the problem at hand as well as the creativity to display their knowledge in the form of a presentation, written essay, song/dance, etc. The tasks also provide teachers with a different, more powerful, lens into a student's thinking.

Usage and Performance Data

See highlight of usage report below, with the full report attached for your perusal.

Usage

- The usage below reflects:
 - the access and use of Defined STEM and its content between 6/14/2017 through 6/20/2017
 - the number of times an individual content piece was selected

Building	Performance Tasks	Literacy Tasks	Totals
BROWARD	3994	357	4,351
PLANTATION HIGH SCHOOL	2272	45	2,317
WESTERN HIGH SCHOOL	1770	96	1,866
BEACHSIDE MONTESSORI VILLAGE	839	35	874
DEERFIELD BEACH MIDDLE SCHOOL	737	114	851
MANATEE BAY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	695	12	707
WINSTON PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	474	13	487
COCONUT PALM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	368	90	458
BAYVIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	276	1	277
COLBERT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	199	16	215

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Procurement Method

Pursuant to Purchasing Policy 3320, Section II, H, and pursuant to the Florida Department of Education (FLDOE), Rule 6A-1.012, 11 (b), Florida Administrative Code as authorized by Section 010.04(4) (a), Florida Statutes, the requirement for requesting competitive solicitation for commodities or contractual services from three (3) or more sources is hereby waived as for the District's purchase of computer software, therefore this Agreement was done through direct negotiations.

Financial Impact

The spending authority requested for the additional term of this agreement is \$260,000 (the same as the previous year), as detailed below:

- District-wide licenses
- Jay McTighe Online Professional Development courses
- Up to thirty (30) advanced Train the Trainer course licenses

Upon approval of this item, the new spending authority will be \$520,000.

Approval of this recommendation does not mean the authorized amount will be spent.