

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

### Direct Negotiation Agreement FY20-112 – Digital Mathematics Curriculum Program (IMACS)

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#### **Introduction**

**Responsible: Procurement & Warehousing Services (PWS)**

This request is to approve the agreement between Institute of Mathematics and Computer Science of South Florida, Inc. (IMACS) and The School Board of Broward County, Florida (SBBC), for one (1) year, starting July 23, 2019 through August 1, 2020.

#### **Goods/Services Description**

**Responsible: Secondary Learning**

IMACS of South Florida, Inc. provides a rigorous digital mathematics curriculum to qualified middle school students. After successful completion of this digital, self-paced, highly accelerated mathematics program, students will have developed an ability to think abstractly, quantitatively, and logically.

A talented and motivated student who begins the Elements of Mathematics Foundations (EMF) program in sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) grade will, by the end of eighth (8<sup>th</sup>) grade, have completed all of middle and high school mathematics up to but not including Calculus.

Students are given access to a preliminary module prior to entrance in sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) grade. This will determine if each student has a positive experience with the digital EMF curriculum before officially enrolling as a sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) grade EMF student.

The contract provides details of support for SBBC students and teachers in the implementation of the accelerated EMF curriculum.

#### Schools Included

The proposed program would benefit mathematics students District-wide.

#### Alignment to Strategic Goals

EMF mathematics is aligned to the District's Strategic Plan under Goal 1: High-Quality Instruction, particularly middle school mathematics.

#### **Procurement Method**

**Responsible: PWS**

Direct negotiation was conducted with the vendor based on Purchasing Policy 3320. Pursuant to the Department of Education, Rule 6A-1.012, 11(b), Florida Administrative Code as authorized by Section 1010.04(4)(a), Florida Statutes, and Purchasing Policy 3320, Section II, H, the requirement for requesting competitive solicitation for commodities or contractual services from three (3) or more sources is hereby waived as for the SBBC's purchase of educational services.

#### **Financial Impact**

**Responsible: PWS and Secondary Learning**

There is no financial impact to the District.