

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

### Recommendation of \$500,000 or Greater FY21-050 – Gradebook Software Application

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#### **Introduction**

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

This request is to approve the agreement between Wazzle, LLC and The School Board of Broward County, Florida (SBBC), for three (3) year(s), starting July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023, with an option for two (2) additional one (1) year renewals periods and \$902,781 spending authority to continue utilizing Pinnacle Gradebook software.

The previous agreement bid 55-130E was awarded on June 23, 2015, Regular School Board Meeting with a term of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2018 and \$975,281 spending authority. The first renewal was approved at June 12, 2018, School Board Operational Meeting (SBOM) to extend the term until June 30, 2019, and \$300,927 additional spending authority. The second renewal was approved at April 9, 2019, SBOM, to extend the term until June 30, 2020, and \$300,927, bringing the total previous contract value to \$1,577,135.

The spending authority requested is \$902,781.

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

##### **Responsible: Information Technology (IT)**

The School District has used the Wazzle, LLC Pinnacle Gradebook Software since 1999. Teachers, parents, and students use Pinnacle to track grades, attendance, and schedules. Pinnacle is integrated with the District's Student Information System (SIS) and with Canvas to ensure the synchronization of student attendance and grading information. Teachers are able to electronically send grades recorded in Canvas back to Pinnacle without having to manually enter them a second time. The District also uses Pinnacle to produce elementary interims and report cards for students in Kindergarten through fifth 5<sup>th</sup>-grade. Pinnacle is utilized by many school districts across the country, including Miami-Dade County Schools, the School District of Volusia County, Leon County School District, Polk County Public Schools, and Virginia Beach City Public Schools (amongst others).

Based on the fact that the Canvas Gradebook does not have the functionality to match Pinnacle, and pending the procurement of a replacement of SBBC's existing SIS with a single system that would likely include both SIS and Gradebook functionality, it is in the best interest of SBBC to continue utilizing Pinnacle, for continuity of the product accessed by more users than any other application in the District.

#### **Procurement Method**

##### **Responsible: PWS**

Pursuant to Purchasing Policy 3320, Section II, H, and pursuant to the Department of Education, Rule 6A-1.012, 1 I(b), Florida Administrative Code as authorized by Section I010.04(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 SBBC's purchase of computer software.

#### **Financial Impact**

##### **Responsible: PWS & IT**

The total spending authority requested is \$902,781 (\$300,927 per year) and will be funded by the IT operating budget. Pricing is the same as the previous agreement.

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