

AUTHORIZE NEW AGREEMENTS WITH VARIOUS VENDORS FOR INTERNET CONNECTIVITY AND RELATED SERVICES

THE SUPERINTENDENT/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Authorize a new agreement with T-Mobile USA Inc., Comcast of Illinois XI LLC and RCN Telecom Services of Illinois, LLC, under Chicago Connected for Internet Connectivity and Related Services to the Department of Information & Technology Services at an estimated annual cost set forth in the Compensation Section of this report. Vendors were selected on a non-competitive basis pursuant to Board Rule 7-6. This item was presented to the Single/Sole Source Committee on August 4, 2026, and approved by the committee. Prior to final approval by the Chief Procurement Officer, as a Single Source, the item was published on the Procurement website on August 6, 2026, found here: cps.edu/procurement. The item will remain on the Procurement website until August 27, 2026. This process complies with the independent consultant's recommendations for single source procurements and the Board's "Single/Sole Source Committee Charter." A written agreement for Vendors' services is currently being negotiated. No services shall be provided by Vendors and no payment shall be made to Vendors prior to the execution of their written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written agreement is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

Specification Number : Sss-135
 Contract Administrator : Munoz, Rigoberto / 773-553-2280

VENDOR:

- 1) Vendor # 39935
 Comcast of Illinois XI LLC
 1255 W. NORTH AVENUE
 CHICAGO, IL 60622
 Jason Lunderman 773 394-8687
 Ownership: 100% Comcast Holdings Company

- 2) Vendor # 61212
 T-MOBILE USA, INC.
 1400 OPUS PL STE 600
 DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515
 Maggie Sauder 312 4040520
 Ownership: 52.1% Deutsche Telecom Soft Bank Group,
 8.5% Publicly Traded

- 3) Vendor # 97515
 RCN TELECOM SERVICES OF ILLINOIS, LLC
 2640 W. BRADLEY PL
 CHICAGO, IL 60618
 Tom Mckay 312 955-2273
 Ownership: 100% Radiate Holding LLC

USER INFORMATION :

Project

Manager: 12510 - Information & Technology Services
 42 West Madison Street
 Chicago, IL 60602
 Zalewski, Kathryn Lucille
 773-553-1300

TERM:

The term of this agreement shall commence September 1, 2026 and end August 31, 2028. This agreement shall have three (3) options to renew for periods of one (1) year each.

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT:

The Board shall have the right to terminate this agreement with 30 days written notice.

SCOPE OF SERVICES:

Vendors will provide free internet access and related services to students so they can have access to instruction during the pandemic and beyond. During the previous Agreement, the program was funded by philanthropic organizations and the use of Emergency Connectivity Funds (ECF) dollars. The agreement will be funded through a partnership with the City of Chicago.

DELIVERABLES:

Vendors will provide students with internet connectivity and related services. Via the three vendors, student families will receive internet connectivity hardware, products and services, that are required for remote learning.

OUTCOMES:

Vendor's services will result in the district providing internet connectivity and related services to approximately 60,000 students and families. There would be a large disruption to services if the District cannot establish contracts and appropriate Board authority to pay for these services.

REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES:

None.

AUTHORIZATION:

Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the agreement. Authorize the Chief Information Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION:

Pursuant to the Remedial Policy for Minority-Owned Business Enterprise (MBE) and Women-Owned Business Enterprise (WBE) participation in Goods and Services contracts. The MBE and WBE Policy, the contract is an excluded transaction pursuant to the Goods and Services Policy, for the aspirational goals of 30% MBE and 7% WBE. The MBE and WBE Policy for this contract is an excluded transaction as this agreement is for proprietary Information Technology Software license and/or patented Technological Equipment.

LSC REVIEW:

Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL:

Various Funds, Unit 12510 - Information & Technology Services,

FY27 - \$1,666,670

FY28 - \$2,604,170

FY29 - \$454,160

Not to exceed \$4,725,000 for the two (2) year term. Future year funding is contingent upon budget appropriation and approval.

Approved Category Code for this Board Report

915.76000: Voice and Data Services

Category Codes may be modified by the Chief Procurement Officer as needed to support the Scope of Services.

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

The agreement shall contain general conditions including but not limited to the following: Inspector General provision, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1; Conflicts provision, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3; Indebtedness provision, in accordance with the Board's Indebtedness Policy Section 404.2; Ethics provision, in accordance with the Board's Ethics Code as amended, and a Contingent Liability provision.

Approved for Consideration:



PATRICIA HERNANDEZ
Chief Procurement Officer

Approved:



MACQUELINE KING, Ed.D
Superintendent/Chief Executive Officer

Approved: 



ELIZABETH K. BARTON
General Counsel