



135 Berkshire Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02141

May 2, 2023

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

CONTRACT: Instructional Services

RECOMMENDATION:

That the School Committee approve a contract with the following vendor, funds to be provided in accordance with the budget reference listed below. Procurement procedures for this purchase have complied with Chapter 30B of the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Period of Contract</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Benjamin Franklin Cummings Institute of Technology 41 Berkeley Street Boston, MA 02116	8/15/23 – 6/30/24	\$130,000.00

DESCRIPTION: This contract will cover the tuition and fees for 5-10 CPS secondary students to enroll in the Advanced Standing Associates Program (ASAP). See attached supplemental information for additional details.

SUPPORTING DATA, RULES OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE: Chapter III, Section 12..." motions calling for the appropriation or expenditure of money require the affirmative vote of four members."

BUDGET REFERENCE:

Fund	Account	Dept.	Project
25000 Grant Fund	55107	Instructional Services 869248	Office of Secondary Education/ Partners SC22216 ESSER III

Respectfully Submitted,

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CS Superintendent of Schools

## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: Benjamin Franklin Cummings Institute of Technology

**Purpose:** For the 2023-2024 school year, the Cambridge Public Schools and Benjamin Franklin Cummings Institute of Technology will continue a partnership that provides up to one year of course credits, educational support, and full access the college's services to qualified students at no cost to them. Five - ten students will be enrolled through the Advance Standing Associates Program (ASAP) for summer through spring semesters.

**Amount of Contract:** \$130,000  
(\$13,000 per student)

### **Description/Scope of Services:**

#### Advanced Standing Associates Program (ASAP)

- ASAP will provide information sessions about degree awarding programs onsite at CPS and virtually, along with promotional materials
- Students will receive campus tours and allow them to connect with Program Chairs and other staff or faculty, as needed and appropriate.
- ASAP will provide one year of course credits and educational support.
- ASAP will provide students with free textbooks and access to tools a personalized ASAP pathway, which outlines each class they are required to complete each semester to achieve one year of college education through the program.
- ASAP will Support students' transition to college through high touch advising. Provide students access to all resources available on campus such as: The Academic Success Center and online tutoring, Online Library, online resources, such as Canvas and Institution student email address.