



135 Berkshire Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02141

August 8, 2023

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

CONTRACT: Professional Development

RECOMMENDATION:

That the School Committee approve a contract with the following vendor, funds to be provided from the General Fund. 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> |
|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Lesley University | 7/1/23 – 6/30/24 | \$159,000.00 |
| 29 Everett Street | 7/1/21 – 6/30/22 | \$171,190.00 |
| Cambridge, MA 02138 | 7/1/22 – 6/30/23 | <u>\$ 76,710.00</u> |
| | | \$406,900.00 |

DESCRIPTION: This contract is for the professional development services. CPS has partnered with Lesley University to provide a M.Ed. degree program and initial licensure in English as a Second Language for CPS staff.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

See the 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 I require the affirmative vote of four members."

BUDGET REFERENCES:

| Fund | | Account | | Dept. | |
|-------------|--------------|----------------|--------------------------|--------------|--|
| 15000 | General Fund | 53107 | Professional Development | 898660 | Human Resources Professional Development |

Respectfully Submitted,

Victoria L. Greer, PhD
Superintendent of Schools

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: Lesley University

Purpose: Educator Pathway Program

Amount of Contract: \$406,900

FY24-\$159,000

FY25- \$171,191

FY26- \$ 76,710

Description/Scope of Services:

The Educator Pathway Program (EPP) is a CPS program intended to celebrate, grow and cultivate the talent within our current school communities. EPP is a part of a larger strategic effort to recruit and retain a significant number of effective educators who represent the diversity within our community. In FY 2021, CPS launched a partnership with Lesley University to provide CPS staff a non-cost opportunity to pursue an Elementary Education Initial licensure through the university's three year M.Ed. program. The first cohort has completed the program.

In FY 2024 through FY 2026, the Lesley University partnership will continue with a second cohort of 18 employees who will pursue their teaching licenses and Masters in Education in English as a Second Language (ESL) at Lesley University. The program will encompass three academic years:

1. Academic Year 1 (2023-2024): Six 3 credit hour courses (18 credit hours).
2. Academic Year 2 (2024-2025): Five 3 credit hours courses and one 4 credit hour course (19 credit hours).
3. Academic Year 3 (2025-2026): One three-credit course and one six-credit practicum seminar (9 credit hours).