



135 Berkshire Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02141

September 5, 2023

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

CONTRACT: Educational Support 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> |
|--|---------------------------|---------------|
| uAspire<br>31 Milk Street, Suite 900<br>Boston, MA 02109 | 9/1/23 – 6/30/24          | \$60,000.00   |

DESCRIPTION: This agreement is for college affordability advice for CRLS students and families.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

This agreement will provide current CRLS students and their families, as well as recent graduates and alumni (for the duration of their college experience), with information on and assistance with college selection, the college admissions process, and completing a college application. The service provider also will provide information on and assistance with applying for financial aid, including assistance with completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), CSS PROFILE, institutional financial aid and other financial aid. The provider also will provide information and teach students and families how to identify and apply for appropriate scholarships.

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 REFERENCE:

| Fund  |              | Account |                        | Dept.  |                         |
|-------|--------------|---------|------------------------|--------|-------------------------|
| 15000 | General Fund | 55107   | Instructional Services | 830255 | CRLS/School Improvement |

Respectfully Submitted,

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