CAMBRIDGE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

135 Berkshire Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02141



June 3, 2025

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

CONTRACT: Instructional Services (FY26 Contract)

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.

Contractor	Period of Contract	<u>Amount</u>
Benjamin Franklin Cummings	9/01/25 - 6/30/26	\$70,916.00
Institute of Technology		
41 Berkeley Street		
Boston, MA 02116		

DESCRIPTION: This contract will cover the tuition and fees for secondary students to enroll in the Advanced Standing Associates Program (ASAP).

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 require the affirmative vote of four members."

BUDGET REFERENCE:

Fund		Account		Dept.	
	General		Instructional		Office of Secondary
15000	Fund	55107	Services	869248	Education/ Partners

Respectfully Submitted

David Murphy

Interim Superintendent of Schools

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: Benjamin Franklin Cummings Institute of Technology

Purpose: For the 2025-2026 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 to the college's services to qualified students at no cost to them. Up to six students will be enrolled through the Advanced Standing Associates Program (ASAP).

Amount of Contract: \$70,916.00

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 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 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
 with 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
 addresses.