

Addendum #1

Contract Services for K-12 Social Emotional Support Professionals (Non-Public)

Issue Date: Wednesday, July 12, 2023

Bids Due: Thursday, July 20, 2023 at 1:00PM

The bid opening date for this solicitation has been extended until **Thursday, July 20, 2023** at 1:00PM. Bids must be submitted in accordance with the instructions on page 1 of the solicitation. No electronic bids will be accepted

- 1. Are the services requested currently being provided either within the District or in partnership with any community agencies? If so, can you provide additional information on the current structure of the program in place?**

This RFP is for Non-Public Schools in Providence. They operate separately from the Providence Public School Department (PPSD), however PPSD procures the Title I - IV goods and services for non-public schools. Currently, PPSD does not contract out for any social workers, counselors, mental health clinicians, SEL specialists or MTSS coaches.

- 2. What funding source is being used for this contract?**

The non-public schools requesting services are electing to use Title II and Title IV funding.

- 3. What is the total budget allotted for this contract?**

Contracts will be awarded that are specific to the needs of the non-public school requesting services so multiple vendors may be awarded contracts, and each contract will vary. Schools have allocated between \$4,000 and \$20,000 for part time school counselors, social workers, and SEL coaches/PD leaders.

- 4. Are vendors required to bill Medicaid, insurance, or any other third-party directly for any services rendered?**

This is not a requirement.

- 5. What rates is the District currently paying vendors in each of the bid categories (Social Workers, Psychologist, Counselor, Licensed Mental Health Clinician, Social and Emotional Learning Instructional Specialist/Coach, MTSS Coach/Coordinator, Hiring Agency)?**

PPSD does not have contracted social workers, counselors, etc.

- 6. Will the District provide laptops and necessary supplies to perform the scope of work?**

No, the district will not provide laptops or supplies for this work.

- 7. Will the District provide assessments, protocols, and evaluation tools to perform the scope of work?**

No, the consultant should provide their own assessments, protocols and evaluation tools unless the non-public school has any specific requests.

Program Specific Questions

- 8. Approximately how many students need services in each bid category?**

This is not known, but the total combined enrollment of all four schools seeking services is 1,963. Three of the schools have smaller enrollments averaging 188, while there is one larger school.

- 9. How many non-public District locations fall under the scope of this RFP?**

There are four schools interested in these services and all are located in Providence. However, there may be an additional non-public school interested in these services.

- 10. Does the District envision these services to support all students (Tier I, II, or III based on the MTSS), or are you seeking more intensive intervention at the Tier II or Tier III levels?**

To the best of our knowledge, the non-public schools anticipate these services supporting all students.

- 11. Will the District accept behavior-related professionals, such as BCBA's and RBTs, to perform the scope of work?**

Yes, these professionals would be considered, however it is important to note that scope of work is across all tiers of students and needs. Many of the expected services should be applicable to all students.

12. How does this RFP differ from the expectations in the RFP for Community Partners (due back in April), which covers Mental Health and Social Emotional Support?

This RFP is for non-public schools not for PPSD.