

**DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS
FOR A
SOLE SOURCE PROCURMENT**

AGENCY: District of Columbia Public Schools, Office of Data & Technology
CAPTION: DCPS COVID-19 Evaluation Deliverable
PROPOSED CONTRACTOR: Education Pioneers
CONTRACT NO.: N/A

FINDINGS

1. AUTHORIZATION:

D.C. Official Codes: § 2-354.04, 27 DCMR, Sections 1304 and 1701

2. MINIMUM NEED:

The Office of Data and Technology (ODT) at DC Public Schools needs expert support in producing a COVID-19 evaluation of the agency's response to the pandemic to assess the organizational efficacy in accomplishing the agency's chosen objectives as the new phase of capital commitment planning begins.

3. ESTIMATED REASONABLE PRICE:

DCPS ODT estimates the cost of these services to be \$99,600.

4. FACTS WHICH JUSTIFY SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT:

Education Pioneers is a nationally recognized and highly reputable organization in the K-12 education sector with a sought-after knowledge and resource base, highly effective recruitment strategy, and top tier talent pool. Since the onset of the pandemic, they've started a COVID-19 Response (now Recovery) program where they fostered work like this deliverable in public school districts across the country. They have a vast knowledge base for DCPS to tap into as well as a wide network to connect with in the completion of this deliverable. They also have an established history of working with DCPS, and several DCPS staff, current and past, are Education Pioneers alumni. They also have a history of working with other DC government agencies, such as the Office of the State Superintendent of Education and the Department of Employment Services. Education Pioneers is an extremely valuable partner in the K-12 sector and would be the ideal support for this deliverable.

5. CERTIFICATION BY PROGRAM DIRECTOR:

I hereby certify that the above findings are true, correct and complete.

Keerthana Hogirala

Office of Data & Technology

June 14, 2022

Date

DETERMINATION

Based on the above certified findings and in accordance with the cited authority, I hereby determine that it is not feasible or practical to invoke the competitive bidding process under Section 402 or 403 of the District of Columbia Procurement Practices Reform Act of 2010 (D.C. Law 18-371; D.C. Official Code § 2-354.04) and 27 DCMR 1304 and 1701. Accordingly, I determine that the District is justified in using the sole source method of procurement.

Deputy Chief, OCBO-OCA

Date