

Financial Services  
Mr. Ron Y. Steiger, Chief Financial Officer

**SUBJECT:                    AWARD REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NO. RFP-20-066-VF –  
OUTSIDE AGENCIES QUALIFIED TO OPERATE  
ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAMS FOR MIAMI-DADE  
COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS AT-RISK STUDENTS**

**COMMITTEE:                FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY & GOVERNMENT RELATIONS**

**LINK TO STRATEGIC  
PLAN:                        EFFECTIVE AND SUSTAINABLE OPERATIONAL PRACTICES**

Procurement Management Services, at the request of the Office of Alternative Education, released the above-referenced solicitation. The purpose of this Request for Proposals (RFP) is to partner with agencies that will provide educational and wrap-around services which address all critical areas for the education of at-risk students. This RFP was advertised on the Procurement Management Services website, as well as DemandStar. The solicitation was shared with the District's Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO) for additional community outreach.

The initial term of the bid shall be for a three (3) year period, commencing March 9, 2022 through March 8, 2025, and may be extended for two (2) additional one (1) year periods, and if needed, an additional ninety (90) days beyond the expiration of the renewal period, at the District's discretion, pending contract negotiations.

The Goal Setting Committee recommended that this solicitation be open with a 10-point preference for any for-profit SBE/MBE certified firms.

Four (4) vendors responded to this advertised bid. Based on the solicitation criteria, responses in the Q&A session, and the Selection Committee's final scoring, two (2) vendors are being recommended for award, pending contract negotiations.

M-DCPS OEO staff verified the Small, Micro, Veteran and/or M/WBE certification status of the firm(s).

Fund Source  
ESSER

**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida:

1. **AWARD** RFP-20-066-VF – OUTSIDE AGENCIES QUALIFIED TO OPERATE ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAMS FOR MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS AT-RISK STUDENTS, to partner with agencies that will provide educational and wrap-around services which address all critical areas for the education of at-risk students, effective March 9, 2022 through March 8, 2025, and may, by mutual agreement between The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and the successful bidders, be extended for two (2) additional one (1) year periods thereto, and if needed, an additional ninety (90) days beyond the expiration of the renewal period, pending contract negotiations, as follows:

A. AMIKIDS, INC.  
5915 BENJAMIN CENTER DRIVE  
TAMPA, FL 33634  
OWNER/OFFICER: MICHAEL A. THORNTON

**LOCAL ADDRESS:**  
2701 NE 151<sup>st</sup> STREET  
MIAMI, FL 33160 **NORTH**

1820 ARTHUR LAND ROAD  
KEY BISCAYNE, FL 33149 **SOUTH**

B. PACE CENTER FOR GIRLS, INC.  
6745 PHILIPS INDUSTRIAL BOULEVARD  
JACKSONVILLE, FL 32256  
OWNER/OFFICER: MARY MARX

**LOCAL ADDRESS:**  
1400 NW 36<sup>TH</sup> STREET, SUITE 200  
MIAMI, FL 33142

2. **AUTHORIZE** Procurement Management Services to purchase up to a total estimated amount of \$2,550,000 for the initial contract term of three (3) years, and an amount not to exceed \$850,000 for each subsequent one (1) year extension period(s). Board authorization of this recommendation does not mean the amounts shown will be expended.