

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

**SUBJECT: AWARD REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NO. RFP-24-008-VF
- SERVICES FOR AN ALTERNATIVE DROPOUT
PREVENTION SCHOOL (EDUCATIONAL SERVICES FOR
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 School Leadership and Performance, released the above-referenced solicitation on March 12, 2025, with the bid opening subsequently held on April 24, 2025. The purpose of this Request for Proposals (RFP) is to establish a contract with qualified firms and/or individuals to provide dropout prevention services that includes, but is not limited to, course recovery, grade acceleration and other related wraparound services for students at Miami-Dade County Public Schools. This RFP was advertised on the Procurement Management Services website and DemandStar. This contract impacts at-risk students, on an as needed basis and is funded at a minimum of 80% of the Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) and 95 percent of Basic Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) to students in the Department of Juvenile Justice programs . The solicitation was shared with the District's Office of Education and Economic Access (OEEA) for additional community outreach.

The initial term of the bid shall be for a three (3) year period, commencing upon contract execution, 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, and if needed, an additional ninety (90) days beyond the expiration of the renewal period.

Eleven (11) vendors responded to this advertised bid, five (5) of which were deemed non-responsive. Based on the criteria listed in the solicitation and the Selection Committee's consensus recommendation, three (3) vendors are being recommended for award.

This item and all related solicitation components fully comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws.

Fund Source
General

E-144

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

1. **AWARD** REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NO. RFP-24-008-VF – SERVICES FOR AN ALTERNATIVE DROPOUT PREVENTION SCHOOL (EDUCATIONAL SERVICES FOR AT-RISK STUDENTS), to establish a contract with qualified firms and/or individuals to provide dropout prevention services that includes, but is not limited to, course recovery, grade acceleration and other related wraparound services for students at Miami-Dade County Public Schools, for an initial term of three (3) years effective upon contract execution, 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 renewal periods thereto and if needed, an additional ninety (90) days beyond the expiration of the renewal period, pending contract negotiations as follows:

A. ACCELERATION ACADEMIES, LLC
910 WEST VAN BUREN, SUITE 315
CHICAGO, IL 60607
OFFICER: DAVID SUNDSTROM

SUBCONTRACTOR:
AYYM HOLDINGS L.L.C., DBA CULTURE 44
1490 NW 3RD AVENUE, SUITE 106
MIAMI, FL 33136
OFFICER: MYYA PASSMORE

B. AMERICAN HIGHSCHOOL ACADEMY INC.
10300 SW 72ND STREET, SUITE 427
MIAMI, FL 33173
OFFICER: REINALDO R. VALENTINO

C. PROSPERITY SOCIAL & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GROUP, INC.
1175 NE 125TH, SUITE 512
NORTH MIAMI, FL 33161
OFFICER: NADEGE VILSAINT

2. **AUTHORIZE** the Superintendent to purchase up to a total estimated amount of \$3,500,000, for the initial contract term of three (3) years, and an amount not to exceed \$1,166,667, for each subsequent one (1) year extension period(s). Board authorization of this recommendation does not mean the amounts shown will be expended.