Sole Source Notification

Teacher/Principal Evaluation Professional Development

It is the intent of Washington State to promote open competition and transparency for all contracts for goods and services. In accordance with Department of Enterprise Service (DES) policy #DES-140-00, all intended sole source contracts must be made available for public inspection for a period of not less than ten (10) working days before the start date of the contract. This Sole Source Notification satisfies the requirement.

This Sole Source Notification is available at the <u>Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction</u> (OSPI) website and at the Department of Enterprise Services, <u>Washington Electronic Business Solution (WEBS) Procurement website</u> under the following commodity codes: **924-16**: Educational Training Services; **924-64**: Partnering Workshop Facilitation Services; **924-71**: School Operation and Management Services; **958-77**: Project Management Services

The Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) intends to award a \$963,482 sole source contract to the Center for Strengthening the Teaching Profession (CSTP) for the period of July 2024, through June 30, 2025.

The purpose of this contract is to assist the Teacher and Principal Evaluation Program (TPEP) with implementing professional development designed to strengthen TPEP and to ensure fidelity at all levels of the program. The Contractor will provide services to Instructional Framework Leads and Specialists by sustaining their ongoing professional learning. The Contractor shall also further TPEP's focus on developing the understandings and skill of Washington educators in providing culturally responsive education to our students by coordinating statewide book studies, design studios, and teacher residencies.

Specifically, CSTP will support the on-going learning and leadership capacity of Framework Specialists by convening groups of Specialists and Leads to receive the latest updates and resources, engage in dialogue and problem-of-practices discussions around implementation issues in the field, and strategize and coordinate continued support of teacher evaluation.

CSTP will also coordinate up to 25 teacher residencies focused on Culturally Responsive Education Experiences, hosted by Dr. Adeyemi Stembridge for approximately 500 teachers. Following the residencies, CSTP will coordinate a Culturally Responsive Education (CRE) Experiences Leadership Lab focused the learning around and sustainability of CRE in the classroom, and three statewide and month-long book studies for the Washington Educators Read and Discuss Book Club, also facilitated by and focused on Dr. Stembridge's "Brilliant Teaching" and "Culturally Responsive Education in the Classroom" books.



CSTP has been collaborating with and contributing to OSPI's TPEP project since its inception in 2010, and has the necessary understanding and ability to apply the new evaluation criteria for teachers, principals and principal evaluators. In 2012, CSTP was awarded a contract to recruit and train expert practitioners, now known as Instructional Framework Specialists, to support Washington's 2,800+ principals as they navigated and implemented the new evaluation system. CSTP's unique network of teacher leaders and administrators, and wealth of knowledge related to TPEP, makes them perfectly poised to provide the services described above.

Consultants contemplating the above requirements shall submit capability statements detailing their ability to meet the state's requirements **no later than 3:00 pm on June 13, 2024**.

Capability statements must address the following state requirements:

- In-depth knowledge of Washington's educator evaluation system, the Teacher and Principal Evaluation Program (TPEP), specifically, the state's three Instructional Frameworks: CEL 5D+ Teacher Evaluation Rubric 3.0, Charlotte Danielson's Framework for Teaching, and Marzano's Teacher Evaluation Model.
- Knowledge of Instructional Framework Specialists' role.
- Ability to coordinate and provide multiple statewide, large-scale events, including ability
 to make arrangements for and cover costs such as meeting facility, lodging, and meals,
 keynote speaker, technology, and stipends and subcontracts.
- Ability to organize and coordinate three statewide and month-long book studies for educators across Washington, including subcontracting with Dr. Adeyemi Stembridge and providing stipends to book club facilitators.
- Ability to forge connections across a variety of OSPI initiateves.
- Access through established netwoeks with Washington educaotrs in a variety of roles including but not limited to teachers.

In the absence of other qualified sources, and pending approval by the Department of Enterprise Services, it is OSPI's intent to make a sole source award of the contract mentioned above to the Center for Strengthening the Teaching Profession.

Although this Sole Source Notification is not an invitation to bid, if you feel your firm is able to provide the goods or services listed above, you may submit a capability statement to:

Kyla Moore

Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction

Email: contracts@k12.wa.us

In accordance with DES Sole Source policy process #PRO-DES-140-00A, the following documents are attached:

- Attachment 1 A copy of the Sole Source Contract Filing Justification
- Attachment 2 A copy of the proposed draft sole source contract in significantly final form

Attachment 1 – Sole Source Contract Filing Justification

Specific Problem or Need

• What is the business need or problem that requires this contract?

There is a continued need to enhance the statewide systems of support for teachers in their professional development and growth as they implement the Washington's educator evaluation system, and ensure they are connected to up-to-date changes from the instructional Framework Authors.

Since 2010, OSPI has partnered with Washington education organizations to provide professional development training for educators to support Washington's educator evaluation system, the Teacher and Principal Evaluation Program (TPEP), in fulfillment of RCW 28A.405.106 (1), and, per (3) and (8), to update these trainings. This contract will support the ability of the agency to nimbly respond to new standards of practice for cultural competency required by ESSB 5044, passed in the 2021 Legislative Session. It provides professional learning for those who deliver the trainings to ensure they receive, understand, and implement updates to the instructional framework.

This contract also continues the TPEP work to facilitate the growth of educator proficiencies in providing culturally responsive education (CRE) directly. It does this through support for a cadre of "Equity in Your Framework" specialists, three book studies, one CRE and Student Growth Colloquium, one CRE Leadership Lab, and 25 teacher residencies for CRE for educators around the state.

Sole Source Criteria

• Describe the unique features, qualifications, abilities or expertise of the contractor proposed for this sole source contract.

CSTP is uniquely qualified to carry out the duties of this contract for many reasons. CSTP has been actively involved in the TPEP evaluation process since its inception in 2010, and their knowledge base is something that cannot be replicated quickly. Since CSTP has been collaborating with and contributing to OSPI's TPEP project since 2010, they have the necessary understanding and ability to apply any new evaluation criteria for teachers, principals, and principal evaluators. In 2012, CSTP was awarded a contract to recruit and train expert practitioners, now known as Instructional Framework Specialists, to support Washington's 2,800+ principals as they navigated and implemented the new evaluation system. CSTP remains the statewide leader in collaborating with the approved TPEP Framework Authors and Framework Specialists.

They are a non-partisan educational non-profit organization with significant experience in areas of teacher leadership and teacher voice. CSTP is a statewide organization that has pre-existing relationships with the three Instructional Framework Authors, regionand district-based accomplished educators, the business community, and national education organizations. Using their unique network of teacher leaders and administrators and is able to ensure our meetings are well marketed and well attended, even in rural and remote districts. They have the capabilities to facilitate travel and therefore manage barriers some districts may.

- What kind of market research did the agency conduct to conclude that alternative sources were inappropriate or unavailable? Provide a narrative description of the agency's due diligence in determining the basis for the sole source contract, including methods used by the agency to conduct a review of available sources such as researching trade publications, industry newsletters and the internet; contacting similar service providers; and reviewing statewide pricing trends and/or agreements. Include a list of businesses contacted (if you state that no other businesses were contacted, explain why not), date of contact, method of contact (telephone, mail, e-mail, other), and documentation demonstrating an explanation of why those businesses could not or would not, under any circumstances, perform the contract; or an explanation of why the agency has determined that no businesses other than the prospective contractor can perform the contract.
 - In 2015-16, the TPEP office issued a Request for Qualifications and Quotations requesting proposals for this support of Instructional Framework Specialists and CSTP was the only applicant for the instructional framework part of the work. An RFI was conducted in 2014-2015 where two other organizations (Empirical Education [California] and School Improvement Network [Utah]) expressed interest in this work, but they did not respond to the actual 2015-16 RFQQ. Additionally, CSTP successfully carried out these similar duties under a DES-approved sole source contracts in Fiscal Years 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23, and 2023-24. Furthermore, OSPI did not receive any capability statements from other potential, interested bidders in response to any previous Sole Source Notifications for this work, indicating CSTP is the only vendor able and available to provide these services.
- What considerations were given to providing opportunities in this contract for small business, including but not limited to unbundling the goods and/or services acquired.
 The Contractor's WEBS profile indicates they are a 100% female-owned, Washington mini business.
- Provide a detailed and compelling description that includes quantification of the costs and risks mitigated by contracting with this contractor (i.e. learning curve, follow-up nature). No training time will be required to acclimate a new educational organization to our state's evaluation criteria. No time will be wasted developing relationships with a network of teacher leaders to carry out elements of the plan. Also, CSTP has already established the successful model for the instructional framework specialist convenings, residency models, and book studies. OSPI does not have staff with adequate capacity to provide this programming; contracting allows the agency to meet needs flexibly as they change, without committing to the expense of additional staff over the long term.

The estimated cost of getting a new contractor up to speed, in addition to their performing the functions detailed in this contract, would exceed the total amount of this contract substantially. To enter into contract with a new contractor, who would need to have 10+ year's worth of knowledge and relationships on which this work relies, it would significantly slow the pace of providing support to schools and districts in the 2023-24 school year. If the work of this contract was handed over to another contractor, it would mean the loss of a year of support to schools and districts in a legislatively required aspect of their work.

- Is the agency proposing this sole source contract because of special circumstances such as confidential investigations, copyright restrictions, etc.? If so, please describe.
 No.
- Is the agency proposing this sole source contract because of unavoidable, critical time delays or issues that prevented the agency from completing this acquisition using a competitive process? If so, please describe. For example, if time constraints are applicable, identify when the agency was on notice of the need for the goods and/or service, the entity that imposed the constraints, explain the authority of that entity to impose them, and provide the timelines within which work must be accomplished.

 No.
- Is the agency proposing this sole source contract because of a geographic limitation? If the proposed contractor is the only source available in the geographical area, state the basis for this conclusion and the rationale for limiting the size of the geographical area selected. No.
- What are the consequences of not having this sole source filing approved? Describe in detail the impact to the agency and to services it provides if this sole source filing is not approved.
 - Through their existing partnership with TPEP Framework Authors, CSTP is poised to seamlessly provide professional development to the Instructional Framework Specialists, teachers, teacher leaders, and administrators in Washington. If this contract is not approved, the agency office will need to invest time and resources toward securing a contractor to support the framework specialist convenings, the teacher residency work, and the collaborative work around equity and CRE in conjunction with the frameworks. This will take an immense amount of time and collaboration. It could result in these groups of educators and administrators not being brought together to receive the latest updates and get access to resource and support structures. The evaluation tools will become outdated and routine, and it's likely they would become a "checklist item" within districts rather than a valuable learning experience.

Reasonableness of Cost

• Since competition was not used as the means for procurement, how did the agency conclude that the costs, fees, or rates negotiated are fair and reasonable? Please make a comparison with comparable contracts, use the results of a market survey, or employ some other appropriate means calculated to make such a determination.

Cost for Activity #1: Framework Specialist Convening \$174,680 (compared to \$194,261 in FY24) covers Framework Specialist stipends, meeting expenses including lodging and meals for 115+ attendees, registration and coordination, technology expenses, and planning, facilitation, and travel time for CSTP staff.

Cost for Activity #2: Culturally Responsive Education Experiences for Educators \$568,150 (compared to \$554,400 in FY24) covers subcontract with Dr. Adeyemi Stembridge, meeting expenses including meals and supplies for 500+ participants statewide, up to 25 post experience follow up alignment sessions with CSTP staff, technology expenses, and planning, facilitation, and travel time for CSTP staff.

Cost for Activity #3: Student Growth Goal/CRE Colloquium \$ 76,186 (compared to \$84,436 in FY24) covers meeting expenses including meals and supplies for teams of teacher participants, substitute reimbursement/relief, stipends for presenting teacher teams, technology expenses, and planning, facilitation, and travel time for CSTP staff.

Cost for Activity #4: Culturally Responsive Education Sustainability and Alignment Conference for 100 educators \$47,696 (compared to \$24,486 in FY24) covers meeting expenses including meals and facility rental, stipends to presenting teams, substitute reimbursement/relief for participating teachers, subcontract with Dr. Adeyemi Stembridge, copies and supplies, and planning, facilitation, and travel time for CSTP staff.

Cost for Activity #6: Statewide Book Club and Book Studies \$30,590 (compared to \$91,768 in FY24) covers stipends for book club facilitators, subcontract with Dr. Adeyemi Stembridge, technology expenses, and planning, facilitation, and travel time for CSTP staff.

Costs are commensurate with those paid under competitive contract 20160183 with CSTP, the sole source contract 20180104 with CTSP (in 2017-18), the sole source contract 20190025 with CSTP (in 2018-19), the sole source contract 20200026 with CSTP (in 2019-20) sole source contract 20210119 with CSTP (in 2020-21), and sole source contract 20220758 (in 2022-23). For further comparison, the most recent contract with CSTP (20230455) for this work in 2022-24 was for \$990,636.

Attachment 2 – Proposed Draft Sole Source Contract

See next page

CONTRACT FOR SERVICES Contract No. 20250077

between

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, STATE OF WASHINGTON

(hereinafter referred to as Superintendent/OSPI)
Old Capitol Building, PO Box 47200
Olympia, WA 98504-7200

and

CENTER FOR STRENGTHENING THE TEACHING PROFESSION

(hereinafter referred to as Contractor)
PO Box 4162
Olympia, WA 98501

Employer Identification #01-3769448 Unified Business Identifier #602-316-410

In consideration of the promises and conditions contained herein, Superintendent and Contractor do mutually agree as follows:

I. DUTIES OF THE CONTRACTOR

A. The general objective of this Contract is as follows:

Contractor shall assist the Teacher and Principal Evaluation Program (TPEP) with implementing professional development designed to strengthen TPEP and to ensure fidelity at all levels of the program. The Contractor shall specifically provide services to Instructional Framework Leads and Specialists by sustaining their ongoing professional learning. The Contractor shall also further TPEP's focus on developing the understandings and skill of Washington educators in providing culturally responsive education to our students by coordinating statewide book studies, design studios, and culturally responsive education experiences for educators with Dr. Adeyemi Stembridge.

B. In order to accomplish the general objective of this Contract, Contractor shall perform the following specific duties to the satisfaction of the OSPI Contract Manager:

Activity #1 - Framework Specialist Convenings

- a. Provide two (2) professional learning community convenings for all Instructional Framework Specialists. Attendance for Framework Specialists shall be required.
 - Convening 1: A half day virtual convening with all Specialists and Leads.
 - Convening 2: A full one- (1-) day meeting with all Specialists and Leads.
- b. Provide professional learning logistics for convenings and ensure access of materials to all in the professional learning community.
- c. Provide stipends for all Instructional Framework Specialists.
- d. Subcontract with keynote speaker for Convening 2.

Activity #2 – Culturally Responsive Education (CRE) Experiences for Educators

- a. Subcontract with Dr. Adeyemi Stembridge to provide up to twenty-five (25) Culturally Responsive Education Experiences, with each experience having up to twenty (20) educators for up to eighteen (18) hours.
- b. Recruit districts to participate in the CRE Experiences.
- c. Provide a ninety- (90-) minute follow-up session per completed residency to facilitate a reflection and crosswalk discussion about how the district implemented the information given at the residency and the district's instructional framework.
- d. Communicate and coordinate with Dr. Stembridge and participants while providing support throughout the CRE Experiences.

Activity #3 - Student Growth Goal Colloquium

- a. Organize teams of educators leading in the year of preparation of the revised student growth goals to come together and prepare ignite presentations and learning sessions for participants.
- b. Provide one (1) colloquium for participants to learn about the revised student growth goals.
 - Colloquium will include ignite presentations and breakout sessions by framework.
- c. Provide stipends to presenting teams.
- d. Provide professional learning logistics for event and ensure access of materials to all in the professional learning community.

Activity #4 - Culturally Responsive Education (CRE) Sustainability and Alignment Conference

- a. Provide one (1) Conference for up to one hundred (100) participants focused the learning around and sustainability of CRE in the classroom as well as alignment between the CRE Framework, the instructional framework, and the implementation of the new student growth goals.
 - Connect the theme of the conference with inclusive practices and multitiered systems of support.
- b. Recruit presenting teams and assist with content and presentation development.
- c. Provide professional learning logistics for sessions and ensure access of materials to all in the professional learning community.
- d. Provide stipends for all presenting teacher teams.

Activity #5 - Statewide Book Club and Book Studies

- a. Organize and coordinate three (3) statewide and month-long book studies for the Washington Educators Read and Discuss Book Club.
 - Book Study #1 will utilize "Brilliant Teaching" written by Dr. Adeyemi Stembridge.
 - Book Study #2 will utilize "Culturally Responsive Education in the Classroom" written by Dr. Adeyemi Stembridge.
 - Book Study #3 may repeat a book from Book Study #1 or #2 depending on demand or may utilize another book chosen by Dr. Stembridge and OSPI staff.
- b. Subcontract with Dr. Stembridge to lead and facilitate the three (3) book studies.

- c. Provide stipends for book club facilitators.
- d. Provide stipends for book club facilitators post book club check-in.
- e. Provide professional learning logistics for sessions and ensure access of materials to all in the professional learning community.

Activity #7 – State Business Oversight

- a. Attend all State Framework Author and Framework Leads meetings during the 2024-2025 school year and provide recommendations to participants.
- C. The Contractor shall provide the following deliverables to the OSPI Contract Manager by the dates indicated below:

SCHEDULE OF DELIVERABLES			
Deliverable	Due Date		
Activity #1: Framework Specialist Convenings	Convening 1 : By June 30, 2025 Convening 2 : By June 30, 2025		
Activity #2: CRE Experiences	Completed by June 30, 2025		
Activity #3: SGG Colloquium	Completed by June 30, 2025		
Activity #4: CRE Sustainability and Alignment Conference	Completed by June 30, 2025		
Activity #5: Statewide Book Club and Book Studies	Book Study 1: June 30, 2025 Book Study 2: June 30, 2025 Book Study 3: June 30, 2025		
Activity #6: State Business Oversight	Ongoing, through June 30, 2025		

- D. This Contract is subject to compliance tracking using the State's business diversity management system, Access Equity (B2Gnow). The Contractor and all Subcontractors shall report and confirm receipt of payments made to the Contractor and each Subcontractor through the Access Equity system, per Subcontractor Payment Reporting requirements within Attachment A General Terms and Conditions.
 - Within fifteen (15) days of contract commencement, the Contractor shall register and enter all required subcontractor information into the Access Equity system.
 - Within twenty (20) days of contract commencement, the Contractor shall complete the required user training.
 - Within thirty (30) days of payment from OSPI to the Contractor, the Contractor shall report the amount and date of all payments (i) received from the Superintendent, and (ii) paid to Subcontractors.

As such, OSPI hereby acknowledges Contractor will utilize the following subcontractors. Any additional subcontractors/substitutions of subcontractors shall be submitted to the OSPI Contract Manager in writing before performing any duties related to this Contract.

• Dr. Adevemi Stembridge

II. CONDITIONS OF COMMENCEMENT OF PERFORMANCE AND SCHEDULE OF PERFORMANCE

Contractor shall not commence performance, or be entitled to compensation or reimbursement for any services rendered, prior to the occurrence of each of the following conditions: (1) This

Contract must be executed by a representative of the Contractor and the Superintendent; (2) Provisions of Chapter 39.26 RCW require the Agency to file this sole source Contract with the Department of Enterprise Services (DES) for approval; no Contract so filed is effective nor shall work commence under it until the tenth (10th) working day following the date of filing, subject to DES approval. In the event DES fails to approve the Contract, the Contract shall be null and void; and, (3) Contract Manager must confirm the occurrence of conditions number one (1) and two (2) and notify the Contractor to commence performance.

The schedule of performance of Contractor's duties is as follows subject, however, to the three (3) prior conditions to commencement of performance set forth immediately above:

July 15, 2024, date of approval by DES, or date of execution, whichever is later, through June 30, 2025.

III. DUTIES OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

A. In consideration of Contractor's satisfactory performance of the duties set forth herein, Superintendent shall compensate Contractor in an amount not to exceed a total of nine hundred sixty-three thousand, four hundred eighty-two dollars (\$963,482) as noted below in part B, Schedule of Payments. Payment for satisfactory performance shall not exceed this amount unless the parties mutually agree to a higher amount prior to the commencement of any work, which will cause the maximum payment to be increased.

Funds for the payment of this Contract are provided by state dollars.

B. Payment shall be made to the Contractor as follows:

Periodically (not more often than monthly), in the form of progress payments in the amounts and for the stages of partial performance set forth below:

SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS				
Deliverable	Due Date	Payment		
Activity #1: Framework Specialist Convenings	Convening 1 : By June 30, 2025 Convening 2 : By June 30, 2025	\$174,680 (\$22,385 / convening 1) (\$152,295 / convening 2)		
Activity #2: CRE Experiences	Completed by June 30, 2025	\$568,150 (\$22,726 / experience)		
Activity #3: SGG Colloquium	Completed by June 30, 2025	\$76,186		
Activity #4: CRE Sustainability and Alignment Conference	Completed by June 30, 2025	\$47,696		
Activity #5: Statewide Book Club and Book Studies	Book Study 1: June 30, 2025 Book Study 2: June 30, 2025 Book Study 3: June 30, 2025	\$91,770 (\$30,590 / book study)		
Activity #6: State Business Oversight	Ongoing, through June 30, 2025	\$5,000		

The invoices shall include the Contract number, and document to the OSPI Contract Manager's satisfaction a description of the work performed and payment requested. Within approximately thirty (30) calendar days of the OSPI Contract Manager receiving and approving the invoice, payment will be mailed or electronically transferred to the Contractor by Agency Financial Services, OSPI.

If errors are found in the submitted invoice or supporting documents, the OSPI Contract Manager will notify the Contractor. In order to receive payment, it shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to make corrections in a timely manner, resubmit the invoice and/or supporting documentation as requested, and notify the OSPI Contract Manager.

C. Final payment shall be made after acceptance by the OSPI Contract Manager if received by the OSPI Contract Manager within ninety (90) days after the contract expiration date, unless negotiated with the OSPI Contract Manager and the Fiscal Budget Analyst.

IV. CONTRACT MANAGEMENT

The following shall be the contact person for all communications and billings regarding the performance of this contract. Any changes to this information shall be communicated to the other party in writing as soon as reasonably possible.

CSTP	OSPI

V. INCORPORATION OF ATTACHMENTS AND ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

Each of the attachments listed below is by this reference hereby incorporated into this Contract. In the event of an inconsistency in this Contract, the inconsistency shall be resolved by giving precedence in the following order:

- Applicable Federal and state of Washington statutes and regulations
- Special Terms and Conditions as contained in this basic contract instrument
- Attachment A Contract for Services, General Terms and Conditions
- Attachment B Scope of Work and Budget
- Any other provision, term or material incorporated herein by reference or otherwise incorporated.

VI. APPROVAL

This Contract shall be subject to the written approval of the Superintendent's authorized representative and shall not be binding until so approved. The Contract may be altered, amended, or waived only by a written amendment executed by both parties.

We the undersigned agree to the terms of the foregoing Contract.

Center for Strengthening the Teaching Profession	Superintendent of Public Instruction State of Washington
Signature	Kyla L. Moore, Contracts Administrator
Printed Name	Date
Title	
Date	
Who certifies that he/she is the Contractor identified herein, OR a person duly qualified and authorized to bind the Contractor so identified to the foregoing Agreement.	Approved as to FORM ONLY by the Assistant Attorney General

Attachment A Contract for Services GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS,

Definitions. As used throughout this Contract and General Terms and Conditions, the following terms shall have the meaning set forth below:

"Contract" or "Agreement" means the entire written agreement between OSPI and the Contractor, including any attachments, exhibits, documents, or materials incorporated by reference. Contract and Agreement may be used interchangeably.

"Contractor" shall mean that firm, provider, organization, individual, or other entity performing service(s) under this Contract, and shall include all employees of the Contractor.

"Services" means all work performed or provided by Contractor pursuant to this Contract.

"Statement of Work" or "SOW" or "Scope of Work" means a detailed description of the work activities the Contractor is required to perform under the terms and conditions of this Contract, including the deliverables and timeline.

"Subcontractor" shall mean one not in the employment of the Contractor, who is performing all or part of those services under this Contract under a separate contract with the Contractor. The terms "Subcontractor" and "Subcontractors" means Subcontractor(s) in any tier.

"Superintendent" shall mean the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) of the State of Washington, any division, section, office, unit or other entity of the Superintendent, or any of the officers or other officials lawfully representing the Superintendent. Superintendent and OSPI may be used interchangeably.

- 1. Access to Data. In compliance with Chapter 39.26 RCW, the Contractor shall provide access to data generated under this Contract to the Superintendent, the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee, and the State Auditor at no additional cost. This includes access to all information that supports the findings, conclusions, and recommendations of the Contractor's reports, including computer models and methodology for those models.
- 2. Alterations and Amendments. This Contract may be amended only by mutual agreement of the parties. Such amendments shall not be binding unless they are in writing and signed by personnel authorized to bind each of the parties.
- 3. Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, Public Law 101-336, also referred to as the "ADA" 28 CFR Part 35. The Contractor must comply with the ADA, which provides comprehensive civil rights protection to individuals with disabilities in the areas of employment, public accommodations, state and local government services, and telecommunications.
- **4. Assignment.** Neither this Contract, nor any claim arising under this Contract, shall be transferred or assigned by the Contractor without prior written consent of the Superintendent.
- **5. Assurances.** The Superintendent and the Contractor agree that all activity pursuant to this Contract will be in accordance with all applicable current federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations.

- **6. Attorney's Fees.** In the event of litigation or other action brought to enforce contract terms, each party agrees to bear its own attorney's fees and costs.
- 7. Audit Requirements. If the Contractor is a Subrecipient of federal awards as defined by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) CFR, Part 200, Subpart F, and expends seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$750,000) or more in federal awards (does not apply to contracts for goods and services) from all federal sources in any fiscal year beginning on or after December 26, 2014, the Contractor shall procure at their expense a single or program-specific audit for that year. The Contractor shall incorporate OMB CFR, Part 200, Subpart F audit requirements into all contracts between the Contractor and its Subcontractors who are Subrecipients of federal awards. The Contractor shall comply with any future amendments to OMB and any successor or replacement Circular or regulation.
- **8. Budget Revisions.** Any monetary amount budgeted by the terms of this Contract for various activities and line-item objects of expenditure may be revised without prior written approval of Superintendent, so long as the revision is no more than ten percent (10%) of the original line item amount and the increase in an amount is offset by a decrease in one or more other amounts equal to or greater than the increase. All other budget revisions exceeding ten percent (10%) shall only be made with the prior written approval of the Superintendent.
- 9. Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Ineligibility. The Contractor certifies that neither it nor its principals are debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or voluntarily excluded from participation in transactions by any federal department or agency. The Contractor further certifies that they will ensure that potential subcontractors or any of their principals are not debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or voluntarily excluded from participation in covered transactions by any federal department or agency. "Covered transactions" include procurement contracts for goods that are expected to equal or exceed twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000). Contractor may do so by obtaining a certification statement from the potential subcontractor or subrecipient or by checking online at the System for Award Management (SAM), Excluded Parties List. The Contractor shall immediately notify the Superintendent if, during the term of this contract, Contractor becomes debarred. The Superintendent may immediately terminate this Contract by providing Contractor written notice if Contractor becomes debarred during the term of this Contract.

The Contractor also certifies that neither it nor its principals are debarred, suspended, or proposed for debarment from participation in transactions by any state department or agency. The Contractor further certifies that they will ensure that potential subcontractors or any of their principals are not debarred, suspended, or proposed for debarment from participation in covered transactions by any state department or agency.

10. Certification Regarding Lobbying. The Contractor certifies that Federal-appropriated funds will not be used to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress or an employee of a member of Congress in obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 USC 1352. Contractor must also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Contractor shall require its subcontractors to certify compliance with this provision.

11. Certification Regarding Wage Violations. The Contractor certifies that within three (3) years prior to the date of execution of this Contract, Contractor has not been determined by a final and binding citation and notice of assessment issued by the Washington Department of Labor and Industries or through a civil judgment entered by a court of limited or general jurisdiction to have willfully violated, as defined in RCW 49.48.082, any provision of RCW chapters 49.46, 49.48, or 49.52.

The Contractor further certifies that it will remain in compliance with these requirements during the term of this Contract. Contractor will immediately notify the Superintendent of any finding of a willful violation entered by the Washington Department of Labor and Industries or through a civil judgment entered by a court of limited or general jurisdiction entered during the term of this Contract.

- **12. Change in Status.** In the event of substantive change in the legal status, organizational structure, or fiscal reporting responsibility of the Contractor, Contractor agrees to notify the Superintendent of the change. Contractor shall provide notice as soon as practicable, but no later than thirty (30) days after such a change takes effect.
- 13. Confidentiality. The Contractor acknowledges that all of the data, material and information which originates from this Contract, and any student assessment data, material and information which will come into its possession in connection with performance under this Contract, consists of confidential data owned by the Superintendent or confidential personally identifiable data subject to the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) (20 U.S.C. § 1232g; 34 CFR Part 99) or other privacy laws, and that the data must be secured and protected from unauthorized disclosure by the Contractor. The Contractor is wholly responsible for compliance with FERPA requirements.

The Contractor, therefore, agrees to hold all such material and information in strictest confidence, not to make use thereof other than for the performance of this Contract, to release it only to authorized employees and agents requiring such information and not release or disclose it to any other party. The Contractor agrees to release such information or material only to employees and agents who have signed a written agreement expressly prohibiting disclosure or usages not specifically authorized by this Contract.

14. Copyright Provisions. Unless otherwise provided, all Materials produced under this Contract shall be considered "works for hire" as defined by the U.S. Copyright Act and copyright shall be owned by the Superintendent. The Superintendent shall be considered the author of such Materials. If Materials are not considered "works for hire", Contractor hereby irrevocably assigns all right, title, and interest in Materials, including all intellectual property rights, to the Superintendent effective from the moment of creation of such Materials.

Materials means all items in any format and includes, but is not limited to, data, reports, documents, pamphlets, advertisements, books, magazines, surveys, studies, computer programs, films, tapes, and/or sound reproductions. Copyright ownership includes the right to patent, register and the ability to transfer these rights.

Contractor understands that, except where otherwise agreed to in writing or approved by the Superintendent or designee, all original works of authorship produced under this Contract shall carry a <u>Creative Commons Attribution License</u>, version 4.0 or later.

All Materials the Contractor has adapted from others' existing openly licensed resources must be licensed with the least restrictive open license possible that is not in conflict with existing licenses.

For Materials that are delivered under the Contract, but that incorporate pre-existing materials not produced under the Contract, Contractor will license the materials to allow others to translate, reproduce, distribute, prepare derivative works, publicly perform, and publicly display. If the Contractor would like to limit these pre-existing portions of the work to non-commercial use, the Creative Commons Attribution-NonCommercial (preferred) or Creative Commons Attribution-NonCommercial-ShareAlike licenses, version 4.0 or later, are acceptable for these specific sections.

The Contractor warrants and represents that Contractor has all rights and permissions, including intellectual property rights, moral rights and rights of publicity, necessary to apply such a license.

The Contractor shall exert all reasonable effort to advise the Superintendent, at the time of delivery of data furnished under this Contract, of all known or potential invasions of privacy contained therein and of any portion of such document which was not produced in the performance of this Contract. The Superintendent shall receive prompt written notice of each notice or claim of infringement received by the Contractor with respect to any data delivered under this Contract. The Superintendent shall have the right to modify or remove any restrictive markings placed upon the data by the Contractor.

- 15. Covenant Against Contingent Fees. The Contractor warrants that no person or selling agent has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees or bona fide established agent maintained by the Contractor for the purpose of securing business. The Superintendent shall have the right, in the event of breach of this clause by the Contractor, to annul this Contract without liability or, in its discretion, to deduct from the contract price or consideration or recover by other means the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fees.
- 16. Disputes. In the event that a dispute arises under this Contract, it shall be determined by a Dispute Board in the following manner: (1) The Superintendent shall appoint a member to the Dispute Board; (2) the Contractor shall appoint a member to the Dispute Board; (3) the Superintendent and the Contractor shall jointly appoint a member to the Dispute Board; (4) the Dispute Board shall evaluate the dispute and make a determination of the dispute; and, the determination of the Dispute Board shall be final and binding on the parties hereto.

As alternatives to the above Dispute Board process: (1) if the dispute is between two or more state agencies, any one of the agencies may request intervention by the Governor, as provided by 43.17.330 RCW, in which event the Governor's process shall control; and, (2) if the dispute is between a non-state agency and another state agency or non-state agency party to this Contract, all the disputing parties may mutually agree to mediation prior to submitting the dispute to a Dispute Board in the event the dispute is not resolved pursuant to mediation within an agreed-upon time period.

17. Duplicate Payment. The Superintendent shall not pay the Contractor, if the Contractor has charged or will charge the state of Washington or any other party under any other contract or agreement, for the same services or expenses.

- **18. Electronic signature.** Any signature page delivered via fax machine or electronic image scan, receipt acknowledged in each case, shall be binding to the same extent as an original, wet ink signature page. Any Party who delivers such a signature page agrees to later deliver an original counterpart to any Party which requests it.
- **19. Entire Agreement.** This Contract contains all the terms and conditions agreed upon by the parties. No other understandings, oral or otherwise, regarding the subject matter of this Contract shall be deemed to exist or to bind any of the parties hereto.
- **20. Ethical Conduct.** Neither the Contractor nor any employee or agent of the Contractor shall participate in the performance of any duty or service in whole or part under this Contract in violation of, or in a manner that violates any provision of the Ethics in Public Service law at Chapter 42.52 RCW, RCW 42.17A.550, RCW 42.17A.555, and 41.06.250 prohibiting the use of public resources for political purposes.

Contractor represents and warrants that it complies fully with all applicable procurement ethics restrictions including, but not limited to, restrictions against Contractor providing gifts or anything of economic value, directly or indirectly, to the Superintendent's employees.

- **21. Governing Law and Venue.** This Contract shall be construed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Washington and the venue of any action brought hereunder shall be in Superior Court for Thurston County.
- 22. Indemnification. To the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Superintendent and all officials, agents, and employees of the Superintendent, from and against all claims for injuries or death arising out of or resulting from the performance of this Contract. "Claim" as used in this Contract, means any financial loss, claim, suit, action, damage, or expense, including but not limited to attorney's fees, attributable for bodily injury, sickness, disease, or death, or injury to or destruction of tangible property including loss of use resulting therefrom. Additionally, "claims" shall include but not be limited to, assertions that the use or transfer of any software, book, document, report, film, tape or sound reproduction or material of any kind, delivered hereunder, constitutes an infringement of any copyright, patent, trademark, trade name, or otherwise results in an unfair trade practice or in unlawful restraint of competition. Contractor's obligation to indemnify, defend and hold harmless includes any claim by Contractor's agents, employees, representatives, or any subcontractor or its employees.

Contractor expressly agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Superintendent for any and all claims, costs, charges, penalties, demands, losses, liabilities, damages, judgments, or fines out of or incident to Contractor's or subcontractor's performance or failure to perform the Contract. Contractor's obligation to indemnify, defend, or hold harmless the Superintendent shall not be eliminated or reduced by any actual or alleged concurrent negligence by Superintendent or its agents, employees, or officials.

Contractor waives its immunity under Title 51 RCW to the extent it is required to indemnify, defend and hold harmless Superintendent and its agents, employees, or officials.

23. Independent Capacity of the Contractor. The parties intend that an independent Contractor relationship will be created by this Contract. The Contractor and his/her employees or agents performing under this Contract are not employees or agents of the Superintendent. The Contractor will not hold himself/herself out as nor claim to be an officer or employee of the

Superintendent or of the state of Washington by reason hereof, nor will the Contractor make any claim or right, privilege, or benefit which would accrue to such employee under law. Conduct and control of the work will be solely with the Contractor.

24. Insurance.

- a. Worker's Compensation Coverage. The Contractor shall at all times comply with all applicable worker's compensation, occupational disease, and occupational health and safety laws, statutes, and regulations to the fullest extent applicable. This requirement includes the purchase of industrial insurance coverage for the Contractor's employees, as may now hereafter be required of an "employer" as defined in Title 51 RCW. Such worker's compensation and occupational disease requirements shall include coverage for all employees of the Contractor, and for all employees of any subcontract retained by the Contractor, suffering bodily injury (including death) by accident or disease, which arises out of or in connection with the performance of this Contract. Satisfaction of these requirements shall include, but shall not be limited to:
 - Full participation in any required governmental occupational injury and/or disease insurance program, to the extent participation in such a program is mandatory in any jurisdiction;
 - Purchase worker's compensation and occupational disease insurance benefits to employees in full compliance with all applicable laws, statutes, and regulations, but only to the extent such coverage is not provided under mandatory governmental program in "a" above, and/or;
 - 3) Maintenance of a legally permitted and governmentally approved program of self-insurance for worker's compensation and occupational disease.

Except to the extent prohibited by law, the program of the Contractor's compliance with worker's compensation and occupational disease laws, statutes, and regulations in 1), 2), and 3) above shall provide for a full waiver of rights of subrogation against the Superintendent, its directors, officers, and employees.

If the Contractor, or any subcontractor retained by the Contractor, fails to effect and maintain a program of compliance with applicable worker's compensation and occupational disease laws, statutes, and regulations and the Superintendent incurs fines or is required by law to provide benefits to such employees, to obtain coverage for such employees, the Contractor will indemnify the Superintendent for such fines, payment of benefits to Contractor or subcontractor employees or their heirs or legal representatives, and/or the cost of effecting coverage on behalf of such employees. Any amount owed the Superintendent by the Contractor pursuant to the indemnity may be deducted from any payments owed by the Superintendent to the Contractor for the performance of this Contract.

b. **Automobile Insurance.** In the event that services delivered pursuant to this Contract involve the use of vehicles, owned or operated by the Contractor, automobile liability insurance shall be required. The minimum limit for automobile liability is:

\$1,000,000 per accident or occurrence, using a Combined Single Limit for bodily injury and property damage.

- c. Business Automobile Insurance. In the event that services performed under this Contract involve the use of vehicles or the transportation of clients, automobile liability insurance shall be required. If Contractor-owned personal vehicles are used, a Business Automobile policy covering a minimum Code 2 "owned autos only" must be secured. If the Contractor's employees' vehicles are used, the Contractor must also include under the Business Automobile policy Code 9, coverage for "non-owned autos." The minimum limits for automobile liability is:
 - \$1,000,000 per accident or occurrence, using a Combined Single Limit for bodily injury and property damage.
- d. Public Liability Insurance/General Liability. The Contractor shall at all times during the term of this Contract, at its cost and expense, carry and maintain general public liability insurance, including contractual liability, against claims for bodily injury, personal injury, death, or property damage occurring or arising out of services provided under this Contract. This insurance shall cover such claims as may be caused by any act, omission, or negligence of the Contractor or its officers, agents, representatives, assigns or servants. The limits of liability insurance, which may be increased from time to time as deemed necessary by the Superintendent, with the approval of the Contractor (which shall not be unreasonably withheld), shall not be less than as follows:

Each Occurrence	\$1,	000,000
General Aggregate Limits (other than products-completed operations)	\$2,	000,000
Products-Completed Operations Limit		000,000
Personal and Advertising Injury Limit	\$1,	000,000
Fire Damage Limit (any one fire)	\$	50,000
Medical Expense Limit (any one person)	\$	5,000

- e. Additional Insured. The State of Washington, Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, shall be specifically named as an additional insured on all policies except for liability insurance on privately-owned vehicles, and all policies shall be primary to any other valid and collectible insurance. The Superintendent may waive this requirement at its discretion. Policies and certificates of insurance shall include the contract reference number.
- f. **Proof of Insurance.** Certificates and or evidence satisfactory to the Superintendent confirming the existence, terms and conditions of all insurance required above shall be delivered to the Superintendent within five (5) days of the Contractor's receipt of Authorization to Proceed.
- g. General Insurance Requirements. Contractor shall, at all times during the term of the Contract and at its cost and expense, buy and maintain insurance of the types and amounts listed above. Failure to buy and maintain the required insurance may result in the termination of the Contract at the Superintendent's option. By requiring insurance herein, Superintendent does not represent that coverage and limits will be adequate to protect Contractor and such coverage and limits shall not limit Contractor's liability under the indemnities and reimbursements granted to the Superintendent in this Contract.

Contractor shall include all subcontractors as insureds under all required insurance policies, or shall furnish proof of insurance and endorsements for each subcontractor. Subcontractor(s) must comply fully with all insurance requirements stated herein. Failure of subcontractor(s) to comply with insurance requirements does not limit Contractor's liability or responsibility.

- **25. Licensing and Accreditation Standards.** The Contractor shall comply with all applicable local, state, and federal licensing, accreditation and registration requirements/standards, necessary to the performance of this Contract.
- **26. Limitation of Authority.** Only the Superintendent or the Superintendent's delegate by writing (delegation to be made prior to action) shall have the express, implied, or apparent authority to alter, amend, modify, or waive any clause or condition of this Contract. Furthermore, any alteration, amendment, modification, or waiver or any clause or condition of this Contract is not effective or binding unless made in writing and signed by the Superintendent.

27. Nondiscrimination.

- a. Nondiscrimination Requirement. During the term of this Contract, the Contractor, including any subcontractor, shall comply with all the federal and state nondiscrimination laws, regulations and policies, which are otherwise applicable to the Superintendent. Accordingly, on the bases enumerated at RCW 49.60.530(3), no person shall, on the ground of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, marital status, families with children, age, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression, gender identity, disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal, be unlawfully excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any activity performed by the Contractor and its agents under this Contract. In addition, Contractor, including any subcontractor, shall give written notice of this nondiscrimination requirement to any labor organizations with which Contractor, or subcontractor, has a collective bargaining or other agreement.
- b. **Obligation to Cooperate.** Contractor, including any subcontractor, shall cooperate and comply with any Washington state agency investigation regarding any allegation that Contractor, including any subcontractor, has engaged in discrimination prohibited by this Contract pursuant to RCW 49.60.530(3).
- c. **Default.** Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, the Superintendent may suspend Contractor, including any subcontractor, upon notice of a failure to participate and cooperate with any state agency investigation into alleged discrimination prohibited by this Contract, pursuant to RCW 49.60.530(3). Any such suspension will remain in place until Superintendent receives notification that Contractor, including any subcontractor, is cooperating with the investigating state agency. In the event Contractor, or subcontractor, is determined to have engaged in discrimination identified at RCW 49.60.530(3), the Superintendent may terminate this Contract in whole or in part, and Contractor, subcontractor, or both, may be referred for debarment as provided in RCW 39.26.200. Contractor or subcontractor may be given a reasonable time in which to cure this noncompliance, including implementing conditions consistent with any court-ordered injunctive relief or settlement agreement.

- d. Remedies for Breach. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, in the event of Contract termination or suspension for engaging in discrimination, Contractor, subcontractor, or both, shall be liable for contract damages as authorized by law including, but not limited to, any cost difference between the original contract and the replacement or cover contract and all administrative costs directly related to the replacement contract, which damages are distinct from any penalties imposed under Chapter 49.60, RCW. The Superintendent shall have the right to deduct from any monies due to Contractor or subcontractor, or that thereafter become due, an amount for damages Contractor or subcontractor will owe the Superintendent for default under this provision.
- **28. Overpayments.** Contractor shall refund to Superintendent the full amount of any overpayment under this Contract within thirty (30) calendar days of written notice. If Contractor fails to make a prompt refund, Superintendent may charge Contractor one percent (1%) per month on the amount due until paid in full.
- 29. Payments. No payments in advance or in anticipation of services or supplies to be provided under this Contract shall be made by the Superintendent. All payments to the Contractor are conditioned upon (1) Contractor's submission of a properly executed and supported invoice for payment, including such supporting documentation of performance and supporting documentation of costs incurred or paid, or both as is otherwise provided for in the body of this Contract, and (2) Acceptance and certification by the OSPI Contract Manager or designee of satisfactory performance by the Contractor.

Except as otherwise provided in this Contract, (1) All approvable invoices for payment due to the Contractor shall be paid within thirty (30) calendar days of their submission by the Contractor and acceptance and certification by the OSPI Contract Manager or designee, and (2) All expenses necessary to the Contractor's performance of this Contract not specifically mentioned in the Contract shall be borne in full by the Contractor.

- 30. Public Disclosure. Contractor acknowledges that the Superintendent is subject to the Washington State Public Records Act, Chapter 42.56 RCW, and that this Contract shall be a public record as defined in RCW 42.56. Any specific information that is claimed by the Contractor to be confidential or proprietary must be clearly identified as such by the Contractor. To the extent consistent with chapter 42.56 RCW, the Superintendent shall maintain the confidentiality of all such information marked confidential or proprietary. If a request is made to view the Contractor's information, the Superintendent will notify the Contractor of the request and the date that such records will be released to the requester unless Contractor obtains a court order enjoining that disclosure. If the Contractor fails to obtain the court order enjoining disclosure, the Superintendent will release the requested information on the date specified.
- **31. Publicity.** The Contractor agrees to submit to the Superintendent all advertising and publicity matters relating to this Contract which in the Superintendent's judgment, Superintendent's name can be implied or is specifically mentioned. The Contractor agrees not to publish or use such advertising and publicity matters without the prior written consent of the Superintendent.
- **32. Registration with Department of Revenue.** The Contractor shall complete registration with the Department of Revenue and be responsible for payment of all taxes due on payments made under this Contract.

33. Records Maintenance. The Contractor shall maintain all books, records, documents, data and other evidence relating to this Contract and performance of the services described herein, including but not limited to accounting procedures and practices which sufficiently and properly reflect all direct and indirect costs of any nature expended in the performance of this Contract. Contractor shall retain such records for a period of six years following the date of final payment. At no additional cost, these records, including materials generated under the Contract, shall be subject at all reasonable times to inspection, review or audit by the Superintendent, personnel duly authorized by the Superintendent, the Office of the State Auditor, and federal and state officials so authorized by law, regulation or agreement.

If any litigation, claim or audit is started before the expiration of the six (6) year period, the records shall be retained until all litigation, claims, or audit findings involving the records have been resolved.

- **34. Right of Inspection.** The Contractor shall provide right of access to its facilities to the Superintendent or any of its officers at all reasonable times, in order to monitor and evaluate performance, compliance, and/or quality assurance under this Contract on behalf of the Superintendent. All inspections and evaluations shall be performed in such a manner that will not unduly interfere with the Contractor's business or work hereunder.
- **35. Severability.** The provisions of this Contract are intended to be severable. If any term or provision is illegal or invalid for any reason whatsoever, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect the validity of the remainder of the Contract.
- **36. Site Security.** While on Superintendent premises, Contractor, its agents, employees, or subcontractors shall conform in all respects with physical, fire or other security policies or regulations.
- 37. Subcontracting. Neither the Contractor nor any subcontractor shall enter into subcontracts for any of the work contemplated under this Contract without obtaining prior written approval of the Superintendent. Contractor is responsible to ensure that all terms, conditions, assurances and certifications set forth in this Contract are included in any and all Subcontracts. In no event shall the existence of the subcontract operate to release or reduce liability of the Contractor to the Superintendent for any breach in the performance of the Contractor's duties. This clause does not include contracts of employment between the Contractor and personnel assigned to work under this Contract.
 - If, at any time during the progress of the work, the Superintendent determines in its sole judgment that any subcontractor is incompetent, the Superintendent shall notify the Contractor, and the Contractor shall take immediate steps to terminate the subcontractor's involvement in the work. The rejection or approval by the Superintendent of any subcontractor or the termination of a subcontractor shall not relieve the Contractor of any of its responsibilities under the Contract, nor be the basis for additional charges to the Superintendent.
- 38. Subcontractor Payment Reporting. If a subcontractor is used to is perform all or part of the services under this Contract under a separate contract with the Contractor, this Contract is subject to compliance tracking using the State's business diversity management system, Access Equity (B2Gnow). The Contractor and all Subcontractors shall report and confirm receipt of payments made to the Contractor and each Subcontractor through the Access

Equity system. User guides and documentation related to Contractor and Subcontractor access to and use of Access Equity are provided by the Office of Minority and Women's Business Enterprises in the Access Equity Help Center. The Superintendent reserves the right to withhold payments from the Contractor for non-compliance with this section. For purposes of this section, Subcontractor means any subcontractor working on the Contract, at any tier and regardless of status as certified woman and/or minority business (WMBE) or Non-WMBE. The Contractor shall:

- a. Register and enter all required Subcontractor information into Access Equity no later than fifteen (15) days after the Superintendent creates the Contract Record.
- b. Complete the required user training (two (2) one- (1-) hour online sessions) no later than twenty (20) days after the Superintendent creates the Contract Record.
- c. Report the amount and date of all payments (i) received from the Superintendent, and (ii) paid to Subcontractors, no later than thirty (30) days, issuance of each payment made by the Superintendent to the Contractor, unless otherwise specified in writing by the Superintendent, except that the Contractor shall mark as "Final" and report the final Subcontractor payments) into Access Equity no later than thirty (30) days after the final payment is due the Subcontractor(s) under the Contract, with all payment information entered no later than sixty (60) days after end of fiscal year.
- Monitor contract payments and respond promptly to any requests or instructions from the Superintendent or system-generated messages to check or provide information in Access Equity.
- e. Coordinate with Subcontractors, or Superintendent, when necessary, to resolve promptly any discrepancies between reported and received payments.
- f. Require each Subcontractor to: (i) register in Access Equity and complete the required user training; (ii) verify the amount and date of receipt of each payment from the Contractor or a higher tier Subcontractor, if applicable, through Access Equity; (iii) report payments made to any lower tier Subcontractors, if any, in the same manner as specified herein; (iv) respond promptly to any requests or instructions from the Contractor or system-generated messages to check or provide information in Access Equity; and (v) coordinate with Contractor, or Superintendent when necessary, to resolve promptly any discrepancies between reported and received payments.
- **39. Taxes.** All payments accrued on account of payroll taxes, unemployment contributions, any other taxes, insurance or other expenses for the Contractor or its staff shall be the sole responsibility of the Contractor.
- **40. Technology Security Requirements**. The security requirements in this document reflect the applicable <u>requirements of Standard 141.10 of the Office of the Chief Information Officer</u> (OCIO) for the state of Washington, which by this reference are incorporated into this agreement.

The Contractor acknowledges it is required to comply with WaTech OCIO IT Security Policy 141 and OCIO IT Security Standard 141.10, Securing Information Technology Assets. OCIO IT Security Standard 141.10, Securing Information Technology Assets, applies to all Superintendent assets stored as part of a service, application, data, system, portal, module, components or plug-in product(s) that are secured as defined by the WaTech OCIO's IT

Security Policy 141 and OCIO IT Security Standard 141.10, Securing Information Technology Assets.

As part of OCIO IT Security Standard 141.10, a design review checklist and/or other action may be required. These activities will be managed and coordinated between Superintendent and the Contractor. Any related costs to performing these activities shall be at the expense of the Contractor. Any such activities and resulting checklist and/or other products must be shared with the Superintendent's Information Technology Services.

- **41. Termination for Convenience.** Except as otherwise provided in this Contract, the Superintendent or Superintendent's Designee may, by ten (10) days written notice, beginning on the second day after the mailing, terminate this Contract in whole or in part. The notice shall specify the date of termination and shall be conclusively deemed to have been delivered to and received by the Contractor as of midnight the second day of mailing in the absence of proof of actual delivery to and receipt by the Contractor. If this Contract is so terminated, the Superintendent shall be liable only for payment required under the terms of the Contract for services rendered or goods delivered prior to the effective date of termination.
- 42. Termination for Default. In the event the Superintendent determines the Contractor has failed to comply with the conditions of this Contract in a timely manner, the Superintendent has the right to suspend or terminate this Contract. The Superintendent shall notify the Contractor in writing of the need to take corrective action. If corrective action is not taken within thirty (30) days, the Contract may be terminated. The Superintendent reserves the right to suspend all or part of the Contract, withhold further payments, or prohibit the Contractor from incurring additional obligations of funds during investigation of the alleged compliance breach and pending corrective action by the Contractor or a decision by the Superintendent to terminate the Contract. In the event of termination, the Contractor shall be liable for damages as authorized by law including, but not limited to, any cost difference between the original Contract and the replacement or cover Contract and all administrative costs directly related to the replacement Contract, e.g., cost of the competitive bidding, mailing, advertising and staff time. The termination shall be deemed to be a "Termination for Convenience" if it is determined that the Contractor: (1) was not in default; or (2) failure to perform was outside of his or her control, fault or negligence. The rights and remedies of the Superintendent provided in this Contract are not exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law.
- **43. Termination Due to Funding Limitations or Contract Renegotiation, Suspension.** In the event funding from state, federal, or other sources is withdrawn, reduced, or limited in any way after the effective date of this Contract and prior to normal completion of this Contract, with the notice specified below and without liability for damages:
 - a. At Superintendent's discretion, the Superintendent may give written notice of intent to renegotiate the Contract under the revised funding conditions.
 - b. At Superintendent's discretion, the Superintendent may give written notice to Contractor to suspend performance when Superintendent determines there is reasonable likelihood that the funding insufficiency may be resolved in a timeframe that would allow Contractor's performance to be resumed.

- (1) During the period of suspension of performance, each party will inform the other of any conditions that may reasonably affect the potential for resumption of performance.
- (2) When Superintendent determines that the funding insufficiency is resolved, it will give the Contractor written notice to resume performance, and Contractor shall resume performance.
- (3) Upon the receipt of notice under b. (2), if Contractor is unable to resume performance of this Contract or if the Contractor's proposed resumption date is not acceptable to Superintendent and an acceptable date cannot be negotiated, Superintendent may terminate the Contract by giving written notice to the Contractor. The parties agree that the Contract will be terminated retroactive to the date of the notice of suspension. Superintendent shall be liable only for payment in accordance with the terms of this Contract for services rendered prior to the retroactive date of termination.
- c. Superintendent may immediately terminate this Contract by providing written notice to the Contractor. The termination shall be effective on the date specified in the termination notice. Superintendent shall be liable only for payment in accordance with the terms of this Contract for services rendered prior to the effective date of termination. No penalty shall accrue to Superintendent in the event the termination option in this section is exercised.
- d. For purposes of this section, "written notice" may include email.
- **44. Termination Procedure.** Upon termination of this Contract the Superintendent, in addition to other rights provided in this Contract, may require the Contractor to deliver to the Superintendent any property specifically produced or acquired for the performance of such part of this Contract as has been terminated. The provisions of the "Treatment of Assets" clause shall apply in such property transfer.

The Superintendent shall pay to the Contractor the agreed upon price, if separately stated, for completed work and services accepted by the Superintendent and the amount agreed upon by the Contractor and the Superintendent for (a) completed work and services for which no separate price is stated, (b) partially completed work and services, (c) other property or services which are accepted by the Superintendent, and (d) the protection and preservation of the property, unless the termination is for default, in which case the Superintendent shall determine the extent of the liability. Failure to agree with such determination shall be a dispute within the meaning of the "Disputes" clause for this Contract. The Superintendent may withhold from any amounts due to the Contractor such sum as the Superintendent determines to be necessary to protect the Superintendent against potential loss or liability.

The rights and remedies of the Superintendent provided in this section shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law under this Contract.

After receipt of a notice of termination, and except as otherwise directed by the Superintendent, the Contractor shall:

- a. Stop work under this Contract on the date and to the extent specified, in the notice.
- b. Place no further orders or subcontractors for materials, services or facilities except as may be necessary for completion of such portion of the work under the Contract that is not terminated:
- c. Assign to the Superintendent, in the manner, at the times, and to the extent directed by the Superintendent, all rights, title, and interest of the Contractor under the orders and subcontracts in which case the Superintendent has the right, at its discretion, to settle or pay any or all claims arising out of the termination of such orders and subcontracts:
- d. Settle all outstanding liabilities and all claims arising out of such termination of orders and subcontracts, with the approval or ratification of the Superintendent to the extent the Superintendent may require, which approval or ratification shall be final for all the purposes of this clause;
- e. Transfer title to the Superintendent and deliver, in the manner, at the times and to the extent as directed by the Superintendent, any property which, if the Contract had been completed, would have been required to be furnished to the Superintendent;
- f. Complete performance of such part of the work not terminated by the Superintendent;
 and
- g. Take such action as may be necessary, or as the Superintendent may direct, for the protection and preservation of the property related to this Contract which, in is in the possession of the Contractor and in which the Superintendent has or may acquire an interest.
- **45. Treatment of Assets.** Except as otherwise provided for in the Contract, the ownership and title to all real property and all personal property purchased by the Contractor in the course of performing this Contract with moneys paid by the Superintendent shall vest in the Superintendent, except for supplies consumed in performing this Contract. The Contractor shall (1) maintain a current inventory of all the real and personal property; (2) label all the property "State of Washington, Superintendent of Public Instruction"; and, (3) surrender property and title to the Superintendent without charge prior to settlement upon completion, termination or cancellation of this Contract.

Any property of the Superintendent furnished to the Contractor shall, unless otherwise provided herein, or approved by the Superintendent, be used only for the performance of the Contract.

The Contractor shall be responsible for any loss or damage to property of the Superintendent which results from the negligence of the Contractor which results from the failure on the part of the Contractor to maintain and administer that property in accordance with sound management practices.

If any property is lost, destroyed, or damaged, the Contractor shall notify the Superintendent and take all reasonable steps to protect the property from further damage.

All reference to the Contractor under this clause shall include Contractor's employees, agents and subcontractors.

46. Waiver. A failure by either party to exercise its rights under this Agreement shall not preclude that party from subsequent exercise of such rights and shall not constitute a waiver of any other rights under this agreement. Waiver of any default or breach shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any subsequent default or breach. Any waiver shall not be construed to be a modification of the terms of this Agreement unless stated to be such in writing and signed by personnel authorized to bind each of the parties.



Attachment B Scope of Work and Budget

TO: Katie Taylor, OSPI Educator Effectiveness Office

FROM: Lindsey Stevens, Center for Strengthening the Teaching Profession

RE: Proposal for 2024-2025

DATE: April 23, 2024

Below please see CSTP's proposal for our work with the Educator Effectiveness Office for the 2024-2025 school year. The body of work and the calculations are based on previous events and activities we've performed in contracts to support and promote cross-district, cross-region and cross-state dialogue and discussion about the successes and challenges in making educator evaluation system shifts. This proposal also considers the current situation and need around learning acceleration, the new student growth goal implementation and builds upon the strong work already in place for the Framework Leads and Specialists (FS) and growing culturally responsive education through Dr. Stembridge's work.

Activity #1: Framework Specialist Convening

During the last few contract years, we were able to convene Framework Specialist both virtually and in person. We heard from many of them that this was a great balance between the convenience of being able to participate without travel and the energy and momentum built from collaborating face to face. In this section, based on this experience we outlined two Convenings — one in the fall and one in the winter / early spring and are thinking about how to best balance the convenience of virtual convenings with the camaraderie, connection and community that is built when specialists are able to meet face to face. We have also included stipend support for the Danielson Framework Specialists to come together around the framework updates specifically.

Fall and Late Winter/Early Spring Convenings: The convenings of Specialists and Leads will be an opportunity for everyone to receive the latest updates and resources, engage in dialogue and problem-of-practices discussions around implementation issues, and strategize and coordinate continued support of teacher evaluation. Specifically, for the fall convening, there will be a focus on setting educators up for success with the new growth goals, as well as framework updates and changes.

Through CSTP's zoom accounts, we can operate a large group meeting and breakouts into Framework-specific groupings. We are currently planning for one virtual meeting in the fall and one larger in person convening in the spring.

Our current proposal for these convenings is:

- Meeting 1: We would offer a half day virtual convening utilizing our ability to facilitate meetings and break out rooms with ease over zoom.
- Meeting 2: A full day meeting on one day, with a dinner and session the night previous, with all
 Specialists and Leads. This option is efficient and will meet the needs of the specialist as a
 community coming together. This last year we were able to work with our Leads to
 accommodate as many specialists as possible. This option would best meet the different needs
 of the specialists across the state and dealing with different factors but would require travel and



planning. This event will include presentations, breakout sessions by framework, and could include keynote address contracted through CSTP.

CSTP will coordinate the logistics for the convenings including compensating the FS, registration and communication to FS and coordination with Leads and OSPI. The budget is based on the need to increase the participants to up to 100 specialists.

Costs include:

- Stipends for FW Specialists
- Meeting expenses, lodging and meals
- Technology
- Subcontract with key note speaker
- CSTP staff time, travel and indirect
- ** Leads will be paid from their contract with OSPI.

PROPOSED COSTS = \$174,680.00

Activity #2: Culturally Responsive Education Experiences for Educators

CSTP will subcontract with Dr. Yemi Stembridge to provide up to 25 Culturally Responsive Education Experiences for educators across the state. Each experience would engage up to 20 educators, primarily classroom teachers. Depending on the needs of the districts the residencies could be made up of teachers from one school, district, or a mix of schools and districts from a region. Each experience consists of around 18 hours of in person learning, planning, experiencing, and reflecting on the Culturally Responsive Teaching Framework. We may also break up the 18 hours to form shorter design studio experiences for teams or educators who have had a residency experience they wish to build upon.

CSTP has become quite adept at not only recruiting districts and teams, communicating, and coordinating with participants, Dr. Stembridge and/or his representative, providing virtual and in person support, soliciting follow up feedback and evaluation of project impact but also at aiding in the facilitation and planning involved during these experiences. In order to spread the CRE model even farther across the state and have the capacity to keep up with interest Dr. Stembridge is planning to utilize co-facilitators when needed and available. All experiences would include some time with Dr. Stembridge himself, but some time may be spent being supported or facilitated by one of these trained representatives. At times these co-facilitators may be a CSTP staff person, or another of Dr. Stembridge's appointed consultants. As the CSTP staff has continued to become more integral to the many pieces of the CRE experience Dr. Stembridge has expressed interest in having all the experiences run through CSTP to streamline the coordination and learning between sights.

Each residency experience will also include a 90-minute follow-up session about a month out from the experience. During this session CSTP will facilitate a reflection and crosswalk discussion about how the school/s have implemented what they learned as well as how the work is connected to their instructional frameworks and the new student growth goals.

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Cost per residency: 22,726.00

Costs include:

- Dr. Yemi Stembridge subcontract for CRE Experiences
- Travel Stipend for Dr. Stembridge and/or his representative.
- Participant meals and supplies
- Technology
- CSTP staff or Co-facilitator costs
- CSTP staff time, travel and indirect
- Up to 25 post experience follow up alignment sessions with CSTP staff.

PROPOSED COSTS = \$568,150.00

Activity #3: Student Growth Goal Implementation Colloquium

During the 24-25 school year the state will be in its first year of implementation of the new student growth goals. There is no doubt that this will lead to great learning that should be leveraged, shared and scaled throughout the state.

CSTP proposes leveraging this learning for as many educators as possible through a fall statewide colloquium event for up to 200 educators. We would gather teams of educators who were leading in the year of preparation to prepare presentations and learning sessions for participants that could help them to implement the new growth goals. We would also concentrate on the "just in time" questions administrators and districts may have as they begin to finally dive in statewide. We would highlight those who were able to pilot the student growth goal process within their districts TPEP framework, as well as those who have created solid systems for implementation through the change.

This event will include presentations from OPSI staff and breakout sessions by framework and various roles.

Costs include:

- Meeting expenses, supplies, and meals
- Technology
- Presenting teams stipends, travel, and subs
- Substitute reimbursements for teachers
- Presenting and planning teams accommodations and pre-event meals
- CSTP staff time, travel and indirect

PROPOSED COSTS = \$ 76,186.00

Activity #4: Culturally Responsive Education Sustainability and Alignment Conference



CSTP proposes offering a CRE Sustainability and Alignment Conference for up to 100 educators. This event will focus on the learning around and sustainability of Culturally Responsive Education in the Classroom as well as alignment between the CRE Framework, instructional frameworks, and implementation of the new student growth goals. The conference will be built around the themes and lessons learned as we are engaging in conversation and follow-up sessions with each of the residency sites. This will be different from the SGG colloquium as it will focus heavily on making the connections between CRE and the instructional frameworks directly. We will highlight breakout sessions for each of the instructional frameworks and begin to recruit our possible session leads/facilitators as soon as the CRE experiences begin in the fall. This will be a highly responsive event as we work with residency and design studio sights who can help us to amplify the CRE and TPEP framework connection. We will also work to connect this learning and practices with other work happening across the state such as inclusive practices or other pieces of multi-tiered systems of support.

CSTP will recruit presenting/facilitating teams and work with them on the content and presentation material as well as facilitate the experience. CSTP will also handle registration and logistics for the event.

This event would include presentations, breakout sessions by framework, and a keynote address by Dr. Stembridge.

Costs include:

- Meeting space and meals
- Stipends to presenting teams.
- Substitute reimbursement for teachers.
- Subcontract with Dr. Stembridge
- Copies and supplies
- CSTP staff time and travel

PROPOSED COSTS = \$47,696.00

Activity #5: Statewide Book Club and Book Studies

CSTP will organize and coordinate with OSPI, three statewide book studies for the WERD Book Club, which stands for WA Educators Read & Discuss. We are excited to propose that two these book studies be on Dr. Stembridge's books, "Culturally Responsive Education in the Classroom" and "Brilliant Teaching". These would then be followed by a third book study that may be a repeat of one of his books, if the demand is high, or a third book chosen by Dr. Stembridge, OSPI and the CSTP team. These book studies will be led by Dr. Stembridge as well as utilize educator-facilitators for small group discussions.

CSTP will advertise and market the WERD Book Club statewide and utilize partnerships with education organizations and associations to spread the word. CSTP will recruit the book club educator-facilitators and set up book club sessions for statewide participation, run the registration, facilitation and offer clock hours.

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Cost per book study: \$30,590.00

Costs include:

- Stipends for book club facilitators
- Stipends for book club facilitators post book club small group check in.
- Subcontract to Dr. Stembridge
- Technology
- CSTP staff time and indirect

The total for this proposed body of work is \$ 91,770.00.

Activity #6: State Business Oversight

CSTP staff will attend all state business oversight meetings with OSPI and Leads during the 2024-2025 school year. We assume these meetings will take place online and have not included any funds for travel expenses.

Costs include:

CSTP staff time

PROPOSED COSTS = \$5,000

Full Proposal -

Activity	Estimated
	Cost
Activity #1: Framework Specialist Convening	\$ 174,680.00
Activity #2: Culturally Responsive Education Experiences for Educators	\$ 568,150.00
Activity #3: Student Growth Goal Implementation Colloquium	\$ 76,186.00
Activity #4: Culturally Responsive Education Sustainability and Alignment	\$ 47,696.00
Conference	
Activity #5: Statewide Book Club and Book Studies	\$91,770.00
Activity #6: State Business Oversight	\$5,000.00
TOTAL	\$ 963,482.00