



# City of San Antonio

## Agenda Memorandum

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**In Control:** Early Childhood Education Municipal Development Corporation Board of Directors

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**DEPARTMENT:** Pre-K 4 SA

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Kathy Bruck, CEO

### **SUBJECT:**

Teaching Strategies Contract Renewal

### **SUMMARY:**

Possible Board action to approve for Pre-K 4 SA to amend the current contract for support curriculum with Teaching Strategies, LLP from \$78,098.05 to \$105,000.00 and to exercise a one-year renewal to last through June 30, 2016 [Kathy Bruck, Pre-K 4 SA CEO]

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

On May 21, 2013, the Board approved to enter into contract with Teaching Strategies, LLP for support curriculum for an amount not to exceed \$28,100.00 for the 2013-2014 school year. In July 2014, Pre-K 4 SA entered into a revised contract with Teaching Strategies to obtain necessary supplies for the East and West Education Centers and additional classrooms for an amount not to exceed \$49,998.05. The current contract is set to expire on June 30, 2015. During the November 4, 2014 meeting, the Board approved to issue a renewal letter to extend a one-year renewal for the current contract.

For the 2015-2016 school year, Teaching Strategies will provide 1,850 Gold Online Assessment student portfolios, archive 3,350 existing portfolios, online basic professional development and inter-rater reliability certification for a total cost of \$22,422.75.

### **ISSUE:**

In order to fund Gold assessment portfolios for incoming students, archives for current students, online basic professional development, and inter-rater reliability certification for the upcoming year, Pre-K 4 SA will need to increase the total dollar value of the contract. Staff is requesting that in addition to exercising the second

renewal option for the contract to last through June 30, 2016, Pre-K 4 SA can increase the total value of the contract not to exceed \$105,000.00.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

If the Board does not approve to amend the current total value of the contract with Teaching Strategies, Pre-K 4 SA will not be able to track student progress utilizing the Gold Assessment that was used in Years 1 and 2 of the program. Edvance will not have access to the Gold Assessment results to analyze as a component of the independent evaluation as in the first two years of the program.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Funding in the amount of \$22,422.75 is available in the FY 2016 Pre-K 4 SA Operating Fund.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the Board approve for Pre-K 4 SA to amend the current contract with Teaching Strategies, LLP from \$78,098.05 to \$105,000.00 and exercise a one-year renewal to last through June 30, 2016.