

**NOTICE OF INTENDED DECISION
TO ENTER INTO A SINGLE SOURCE CONTRACT
(PUR 7778)**

This Notice of Intended Decision to Enter into a Single Source Contract is posted in accordance with Rule 60A-1.045, Florida Administrative Code, and section 287.057(3), Florida Statutes.

AGENCY: Early Learning Coalition of Hillsborough County

TITLE: Early Educator INCENTIVES

Short description of the commodity or service desired: Approximately 536 early educators receive award amounts ranging from \$450 to \$5,000 annually based on their level of education and continuous employment at their program as an incentive to further their educational development and add quality to the School Readiness program. Educators can increase their level, which impacts their payment as they complete additional formal education.

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Internal tracking number, if any: N/A

DMS Single Source number, if applicable:

Date posted: 6/27/2024 Time posted:

Commodity or Contractual Service (commodity or United Nation Standard Products and Services Code (UNSPSC), manufacturer, model, and description, as appropriate):

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Requestor (division, bureau, office, individual, as appropriate):

Early Learning Coalition of Hillsborough County

Performance and/or Design Requirements (intended use, function or application, compatibility, requirements; reference to policy, rule, statute or other act of the Legislature, as appropriate):

Design requirements include an application and monitoring process for a large scale award program, approximately 536 educators, with award amounts ranging from \$450 to \$5,000 annually based on their level of education and continuous employment at their program as an incentive to further their educational development and add quality to the School Readiness program. Educators can increase their level, which impacts their payment as they complete

additional formal education. Program must have direct linkages to the TEACH scholarship program.

Intended Single Source:
Children's Forum

Price:
\$500,000

Justification for Single Source Purchase (what is necessary and unique about the commodity, contractual service, or source; steps taken to confirm unavailability of competition, as appropriate):

The Children's Forum is the single source provider of a statewide, large-scale teacher award program with direct linkages to the TEACH scholarship program and has provided these services to the Early Learning Coalition of Hillsborough County since 2019.

Approved By (names & titles, as appropriate, e.g., requestor, requestor management, information systems, budget, purchasing):
Gary Meyer, Chief Financial Officer

Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, or failure to file a bond or other security within the time allowed for filing a bond, shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes. Protests may be filed with the agency by:

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