



# **VIRGINIA BEACH CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

## **CHARTING THE COURSE**

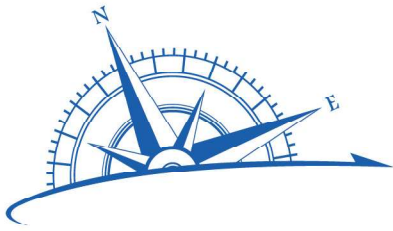
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### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

### **SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT**

Date:	January 20, 2021
Vendor/Contractor:	Riverside Insight
Contract Amount:	\$110,000
Description of Services:	Cognitive Ability Test
Sole Source Determination:	Copyrighted materials purchased from the only available source.
Date of Award:	TBD

**J. Kevin Beardsley**  
Director of Purchasing  
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### *Department of Teaching and Learning*

#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO: J. Kevin Beardsley, Director of Purchasing Services

FROM: Kipp D. Rogers, Ph. D., Chief Academic Officer   
Nicole M. DeVries, Ph.D., Director of K-12 and Gifted Programs NDV  
Kipp Rogers (Jan 13, 2021 15:56 EST)

SUBJECT: **SOLE SOURCE JUSTIFICATION – RIVERSIDE INSIGHTS**

DATE: January 13, 2021

REQUISITION #: TBD

TOP DOLLAR AMOUNT: \$110,000.00

#### JUSTIFICATION OF SOLE SOURCE:

This memorandum is to certify that Riverside Insights, formerly Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, is the copyright holder and sole provider of the Cognitive Abilities Test, Cogat. The use of these materials is essential to the assessment, review and identification of students to receive gifted education program services within Virginia Beach City Public Schools.

These group ability tests are used, as outlined in the Virginia Beach City Public Schools Local Plan for the Education of the Gifted, to measure abstract thinking and reasoning ability of students referred as candidates for gifted identification. The results of these testing instruments, in conjunction with additional qualitative and quantitative data gathered through the assessment process, are reviewed by the eligibility committee to determine student eligibility for gifted program services.

This purchase will be partially funded by federal dollars. Of the \$110,000 total purchase price, \$70,000 will be funded by the FY21 CARES Act ESSER award that has a FY21 budget of \$10,141,569.51.

The purchase and use of these assessment materials will further support the mission and goals of the Virginia Beach City Public Schools and K-12 and Gifted Programs.

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**J. Kevin Beardsley**  
  
Approved: J. Kevin Beardsley (Jan 20, 2021 08:54 EST)

Date: Jan 20, 2021