



VIRGINIA BEACH CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

CHARTING THE COURSE

OFFICE OF PURCHASING SERVICES
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PUBLIC NOTICE

SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT

Date:	May 15, 2020
Vendor/Contractor:	Voyager Sopris Learning
Contract Amount:	\$51,984
Description of Services:	Essential professional learning in the area of K-5 Language Arts.
Sole Source Determination:	Sole provider of LETRS, Language Essentials for Teachers of Reach and Spelling for elementary literacy leaders.
Date of Award:	TBD

J. Kevin Beardsley
Director of Purchasing
5/15/2020 12:45PM



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MEMORANDUM

TO: J. Kevin Beardsley
Office of Purchasing Services

FROM: Kipp D. Rogers, Ph.D., Chief Academic Officer
Danielle Colucci, Executive Director of Elementary Teaching and Learning
Abigail Dougherty, Language Arts Coordinator

VENDOR: **Voyager Sopris Learning**

DOLLAR AMOUNT: \$51,984.00

REQUISITION: DTAL-20-0362790

DATE: May 12, 2020

This memorandum is to certify that Voyager Sopris Learning is the sole provider of LETRS, Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling for elementary literacy leaders. LETRS provides essential professional learning in the area of K-5 Language Arts and is directly aligned with current research around the science of reading. The purchase of this resource will support the instructional program of Virginia Beach City Public Schools by building literacy leader capacity to support teachers and students and advance our efforts to improve student achievement in the area of Language Arts. LETRS training includes both virtual, live webinars and in-depth online modules that are self-paced and highly interactive.

LETRS training is designed to increase student achievement in Language Arts and prevent struggling readers by ensuring research-based instructional routines are utilized in every K-5 classroom. Since 2018, it has been utilized by the Virginia Department of Education as professional learning for division dyslexia advisors and select reading specialists. Literacy leaders participating in LETRS will use this professional knowledge to coach classroom and special education teachers, lead building and division-wide professional learning and provide interventions to struggling readers. LETRS supports Compass to 2020 Goal 1: High Academic Expectations, and Goal 4: Culture of Growth and Excellence.

If you need additional information, please contact Abigail Dougherty via email Abigail.Dougherty@vbschools.com.

Approved

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J. Kevin Beardsley

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Director of Purchasing

Date