Request for Information No. II RFP No. 20/21-03 Social and Emotional Learning Assessment System

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Response to Proposers' Questions

Question: MyLife for Schools reports back anonymous emotional data back to a Teacher, Principal, and Administrator. In other words you can know the emotional climate of a classroom, but you cannot know Courtney Montpas emotional climate. We purposefully keep their emotional checks ins anonymous to ensure students are being as honest and truthful as possible. Therefore, we would have no way to report back to a Student Information System to allow you to tie back to a Universal Screener. Does this disqualify us as an option for this RFP? I am happy to jump on a call if it is easier.

Answer: A solution that offers only anonymous reporting would not qualify for award for sections 3.2 Assessment Results and Reports, 3.3 Integrations and Data Analysis, or 3.4 Response and Intervention. However, they may qualify for award for section 3.1 Assessment, as long as all essential criteria are met for Sections 1, 2, and 3.1 and terms and conditions are agreed to.

2.2 **Question**: Regarding RFP No. 20/21-03 Social and Emotional Learning Assessment System, would Teaching Strategies meet the definition of "eligible entity" per RFP language on page 5?

"For purposes of this RFP, Eligible Entities are: (a) all California public school districts, county offices of education, and community college districts, and (b) any other public agency in the United States whose procurement rules, whether internal rules or rules enacted pursuant to statute, allow them to purchase goods or services through a procurement vehicle such as Ed Tech JPA."

Teaching Strategies is a privately held company who provides curriculum, assessment, professional development, and family engagement resources to programs serving children from birth through third grade.

Answer: Section 1.5 of the RFP addresses entities that may leverage finalized agreements with prevailing vendors. Eligible entities are limited to public entities (such as school districts, county offices of education, and community college districts), pursuant to procurement law. If a vendor plans to submit a proposal they should be aware that their submissions will be made available to current Ed Tech JPA members and other Eligible Entities who elect to join the JPA.

2.3 **Question**: Proposal Submission Checklist, page 45. The "Administrative Fee Acknowledgement" form is not listed on the Proposal Submission Checklist. Please confirm where in the order of materials this document should be included in the vendor's response.

Answer: The Administrative Fee Acknowledgement is listed after the Minimum Price Guarantee Acknowledgement in Appendix B: Required Forms (page 44), and on the Proposal Submission Checklist

(page 45). Vendors should include the signed Administrative Fee Acknowledgement after the Minimum Price Guarantee Acknowledgement.

Question: Appendix E: Standard Student Data Privacy Agreement (CA-NDPA Standard). Please confirm whether or not vendors need to complete this document as part of their bid submission, if yes, please clarify the column headings in Exhibit B (page 85+) and the first column heading in Exhibit F (pages 94-95).

Answer: A completed CA-NDPA-Standard is not required upon submission of a proposal. Vendors should agree to complete the CA-NDPA Standard after award. The column headings in Exhibit B are as listed: "Category of Data", "Elements", and "Check if Used By Your System". The column headings in Exhibit F are as listed: blank (with checkboxes provided below), "Maintaining Organization/Group", and "Framework(s)".