

**DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS  
FOR A  
SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT**

<b>CONTRACT NO:</b> CW51691
<b>CAPTION:</b> Pearson Test Administration and Services for Spring 2018 PARCC Assessments
<b>PROPOSED CONTRACTOR:</b> NCS Pearson, Inc
<b>PROGRAM AGENCY:</b> Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE)
<b>AUTHORIZATION:</b> D.C. Official Code §2-354.04, 27 DCMR 1304, 1700, and 1701

**1. MINIMUM NEED:**

The District of Columbia’s Office of Contracting and Procurement on behalf of the State Superintendent of Education’s (OSSE) Office of Data, Assessment, Accountability, and Research seeks a contractor to provide the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) assessment system to be administered to the District students for the Spring 2018 Assessment Testing.

Period of Performance: July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018

**2. ESTIMATED REASONABLE PRICE:**

The estimated fair and reasonable price is as follows:

<b>Description</b>	<b>Quantity</b>	<b>Unit</b>	<b>Per Unit Price</b>	<b>Total Price</b>
Grades 3-8 - Paper Tests	60	Each	\$32.97	\$1,978.20
Grades 3-8 - Computer Based Tests	29,200	Each	\$23.97	\$699,924.00
High School - Paper Tests	60	Each	\$17.97	\$1,078.20
High School - Computer Based Tests	20,625	Each	\$12.47	\$257,193.75
Grades 3-8 ELA & HS Math - Computer-Based Tests	1,200	Each	\$24.95	\$9,928.00
			<b>Total Price</b>	\$990,102.15
			<i>Optional Support Services</i>	\$901.69
			<b>Total Minimum Contract Amount</b>	\$990,102.15
			<b>Total Maximum Contract Amount</b>	\$991,003.84

### **3. FACTS WHICH JUSTIFY SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT:**

The District of Columbia is a member of The Partnership for the Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (“PARCC”) Consortium, a consortium of states working together to develop a common set of assessments in English Language Arts/literacy and mathematics in response to the awarding of a Comprehensive Assessment Systems Grant funded in fiscal year 2010 under the auspices of the United State Department of Education’s (“USDE”) 2010 Race to the Top Assessment Program (the “RTTT Program”).

Pearson is the only vendor authorized by the Consortium to provide assessment system development and implementation services to Consortium member states.

Pearson provides the District with proprietary testing products that are delivered and maintained only by Pearson.

**4. CERTIFICATION BY AGENCY HEAD**

I hereby certify that the above findings are true, correct and complete.

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Date

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Hanseul Kang  
Superintendent of Education

**5. CERTIFICATION BY CONTRACTING OFFICER**

I have reviewed the above findings and certify that they are sufficient to justify the use of the sole source method of procurement under the cited authority. I certify that the notice of intent to award a sole source contract was published in accordance with Section 404(c) of the District of Columbia Procurement Practices Reform Act of 2010 (D.C. Official Code §2-354.04) and that no response was received. I recommend that the Chief Procurement Officer approve the use of the sole source procurement method for this proposed contract.

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Date

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Tamera Anderson  
Contracting Officer

**DETERMINATION**

Based on the above findings and in accordance with the cited authority, I hereby determine that it is not feasible or practical to invoke the competitive solicitation process under either Section 402 or 403 of the District of Columbia Procurement Practices Reform Act of 2010 (D.C. Law 18-371; D.C. Official Code § 2-354.02 or 2-354.03). Accordingly, I determine that the District is justified in using the sole source method of procurement.

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Date

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George A. Schutter, III  
Chief Procurement Officer