



DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
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RFP No. 21-2114-2EMF

February 8, 2021
Request for Proposal ("RFP")
RTI Reading (K-12) Curriculum for Tier II and Tier III for
County of Henrico, VA.

Your firm is invited to submit a proposal to provide an RTI reading curriculum for K-12 Tier II and Tier III for Henrico County Public Schools in accordance with the enclosed Specifications and General Terms and Conditions.

Your firm's proposal submittal, **consisting of one (1) complete electronic copy and one (1) redacted electronic copy (if applicable) in a "pdf" format**, will be received no later than **March 5, 2021 at 2:30 p.m.** by submission through the Commonwealth of Virginia's electronic procurement platform [eVA](#).

Time is of the essence, and any offeror that attempts to submit a proposal after the appointed hour for submission, will be unable to, because eVA automatically closes the solicitation at the appointed time. The time of receipt shall be determined by the time clock in eVA. Offerors are responsible for ensuring that their proposals are submitted in eVA by the deadline indicated.

Nothing herein is intended to exclude any responsible offeror or in any way restrain or restrict competition. On the contrary, all responsible offerors are encouraged to submit proposals. The County of Henrico reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals submitted.

Pursuant to Henrico County Code Section 16-43, the award will be made by the Purchasing Director.

This RFP and any addenda are available on the County of Henrico website at:
<http://henrico.us/finance/divisions/purchasing>, and on eVA at <https://eva.virginia.gov/>.

Should you have any questions concerning this RFP, please contact Eileen M. Falcone at **fal51@henrico.us** by no later than **2:00 p.m., February 15, 2021**.

Very truly yours,
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**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
RTI Reading (K-12) Curriculum for Tier II and Tier III for
HENRICO COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

I. INTRODUCTION

A. Purpose:

The purpose of this request for proposal (RFP) is to solicit sealed proposals for an annual contract(s) for Henrico County Public Schools (HCPS) to provide program options that include specific research-based reading intervention materials to be used to support students in grades K – 12, to include exceptional education students, general education students, and English Language Learners (ELL). The expectation is that the RFP will result in the establishment of a contract or contracts that will provide the means to develop a matrix of approved program options and satisfy HCPS’s purchase of Tier II and Tier III reading intervention materials and/or specialized instructional materials for students with disabilities. It is important to note that this is **not** a request for a State Standards of Learning (SOL) Remediation program.

B. Background:

HCPS is a large metropolitan school district with just under 50,000 students in 73 schools for the 2020-21 school year. This includes 46 elementary schools, 12 middle schools, 9 high schools, 2 technical centers, 3 program centers, and one preschool.

Services for our exceptional education students are provided in the general education and exceptional education settings specific to the needs of each student. This solicitation is intended to assist exceptional education and general education by providing intervention strategies to remediate students who are academically below their age level or grade level peers or fail to meet expected benchmarks in the area of reading. A range of intervention materials and strategies are needed for meeting the continuum of exceptional education, ELL, and general education student needs across all grade levels (K-12) to support and align with Tier I curriculum content (VA SOLs) and the findings of the National Reading Panel.

Students to be served:

Approximate estimates at each level based on percentages indicated:

	#Enrolled	85% success	Tier II 10%	Tier III 5%
Elementary	21,974	18,678	2,197	1,099
Middle	11,725	9,966	1,173	586
High School	15,579	13,242	1,558	779
Other	529	451	52	26
Totals	49,807	42,337	4,980	2,490

The primary focus for intervention will be students who have reading skills “below age level, below grade level, or below established benchmark measures” according to HCPS data analysis and are in need of Tier II or Tier III interventions in a “Response to Intervention” (RTI) model. Students may already be identified as having a specific learning disability in the area of reading.

In Tier I instruction, all students receive research-based instruction and programs based on the curriculum standards of the state and district and most students (80-85% or more) learn successfully. Progress is regularly monitored during Tier I instruction; usually at the beginning, middle and end of year to determine progress and identify those who need intervention. Intervention at Tier I is typically provided by the classroom teacher.

Students whose progress falls below an established benchmark in Tier I instruction are provided supplemental small group support specific to areas of difficulty through Tier II intervention. Around 10 to 15% of students may need this additional level of specific skill support. Progress is assessed through weekly or bi-weekly measures, charted, and monitored to determine if the progress made is enough.

A very limited number of students (5-7%) may require Tier III instruction. Tier III interventions provide more time and resources to develop academic or behavioral skills of students. Interventions must be scientifically based with progress monitored through weekly or bi-weekly measures and the length and intensity of support may vary. Students who do not demonstrate sufficient progress in Tier III instruction may be considered for further evaluation.

II. SCOPE OF SERVICES

A. General Requirements:

1. The proposed solution shall cover remediation and intervention for all areas of reading (decoding, phonemic awareness, comprehension, fluency, and vocabulary). Offerors shall also include programs that offer comprehensive literacy support (including writing support) for our Tier I and Tier II students.
2. Materials provided shall be in a print or a blended format, printed and digital programs. Digital programs must coincide with printed materials. Digital programs that do not coincide with printed materials will not be considered.
3. Options for materials and strategies provided will be consistent across all schools at each level (elementary, middle, and high) within the HCPS system.
4. The proposed solutions shall have content scaffolding to include a tiered approach and acceleration for students who need additional help with reading skills and those who need to demonstrate reading gains of one or more years.
5. Intervention materials shall be scripted, explicit, systematic, and simple in design, allowing personnel with varying field experience to successfully instruct lessons that address one or more of the major areas of reading (decoding, phonemic awareness, comprehension, fluency, and vocabulary) and support a variety of instructional settings.
6. Instructional materials for students receiving interventions shall include leveled materials, covering an appropriate range of reading levels and provide engaging tasks that are age-appropriate, high interest, and support and remediate basic skills, linking activities to diagnostic assessments.
7. Materials used for Tier II Intervention should target the improvement of basic skill deficits while supporting and enhancing Tier I (Virginia SOLs) instructional objectives in a different instructional design rather than replace or duplicate it. Tier II is **not** a SOL Remediation Program. Program alignment to the VA SOLs could be beneficial in prescribing its use in remediation.

8. Materials used for Tier II Intervention will include student workbooks, manipulatives, and ancillary materials essential for full implementation and will be consistent across the school division and correlated to essential reading components.
9. Materials used for Tier II or III Intervention may not be grade-level specific in order to provide intervention that meets the instructional level of each student. The Successful Offeror(s) may choose to include some Tier I materials that could be used for Tier II and Tier III Interventions for students not yet functioning on grade level.
10. Tier III materials should provide intensive, explicit, systematic instruction. These materials should be targeted to specific academic deficits.

III. TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

A. User Interface

1. Browser Support – the proposed solution shall:
 - a. Be compatible with the current versions of multiple browsers- at minimum, current versions of Internet Explorer, Edge, Safari, Firefox, and Chrome browsers.
 - b. Maintain compatibility with listed browsers and future versions/updates/releases of the listed browsers for the duration of the contract.
 - c. Only require standard browser plugins.
2. The proposed solution will be compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act requirements for accessibility.
3. The proposed solution shall be cloud-based and delivered via the Internet over wireless LANs to the client's browser.
4. The proposed solution shall provide an intuitive user interface that allows for ease of use by teachers and students.
5. The proposed solution shall support mobile technology including but not limited to the specific mobile devices currently used in HCPS (iOS, Chromebooks and Android Platforms).

B. Integration

1. The proposed solution shall provide methods for user account administration that are easy to use and maintain.
2. The proposed solution shall support a single sign-on solution that does not require staff or students to have a separate account or password for accessing the vendor's application.
3. The proposed solution shall allow for LTI, Azure Active Directory or LDAP as a method of authentication and authorization.
4. The proposed solution shall provide a means to identify the individual or client using the application, authenticate the individual and determine the authorities and rights granted to that individual as well as a reporting engine for tracking usage and progress.
5. Any requirements for student, staff, course, roster or school information must be supported through a common specification. The exchange of data must be through a common protocol and not require the installation of vendor-specific software in the HCPS internal infrastructure. HCPS currently supports the following means of exchanging student information in order of preference but will accept other non-vendor specific protocols:

- a. LTI integration as a Tool Provider (TP) with our LMS Solution (Schoology);
 - b. SIF - Student Information framework;
 - c. Exchange of information through Clever - a third party vendor for exchanging common data for school systems (The Successful Offeror is responsible for any costs incurred with Clever implementation);
 - d. API integration with our SIS, PowerSchool; and,
 - e. File exchange to a vendor-supported sFTP server.
6. No additional fees may be charged to HCPS for data integration
 7. Solutions that allow for seamless integration of their product through the IMS Global interoperability standards are preferred and shall support the LTI version 1.1® or higher certified as a Tool Provider with HCPSs LMS Solution (Schoology).

C. Infrastructure and System Administration

1. The proposed solution shall be deployed on servers and equipment hosted or administered by the Successful Offeror. Hosting the solution on a 3rd party, such as Amazon or Azure, is acceptable.
2. The proposed solution will provide a secure, web-based system for data in transit and at rest.
3. Successful Offeror(s) will document compliance with all local, state, and federal laws related to student data privacy.
4. The proposed solution shall contain neither commercial content nor serve as a vehicle to market goods and services.
5. The proposed solution is required to handle at least 60,000+ concurrent HCPS users with no latency.
6. If the solution is reliant on LDAP authentication, HCPS will only accept a defined external IP address to allow Firewall transactions and will not accept the allowance of entire network segments.
7. HCPS shall have the ability to submit requests for alteration of the digital content (including additional supporting data, modification of current data, or removal of data deemed inappropriate by HCPS) via email or web-based forms embedded in the digital content.

D. Computer, Software, and Network Specifications:

The proposed solution shall meet all performance requirements defined in this document and be currently compatible with the following minimum computer specifications as well as maintaining compatibility with updates/patches/versions of listed software for the duration of the contract (at a minimum beginning with the versions listed below)

1. All Staff District-wide; High and Middle School Students
 - a. Software
 - i. OS – Windows 10, 1903 : 64-bit
 - ii. Browsers – Internet Explorer 11; Google Chrome 76.x or above; Microsoft Edge 44.18362.10
 - iii. Java – 1.8.0_171 or above
 - iv. PDF Reader - embedded within Chrome and Edge
 - v. Adobe Reader - standalone application
 - vi. Flash Player – embedded with all browsers

- vii. Adobe Shockwave – 12.2 or above
- viii. Silverlight: 5.1.x or above
- b. Hardware (Based on Latitude 3380s model):
 - i. Dimensions & Weight
 - 1. Width: 13.19" / 335mm
 - 2. Height: (front/back) 1.06"/26.8mm to 1.22"/30.9 mm
 - 3. Depth: 8.80" / 223.3mm 14.0-inch HD Display
 - 4. Weight 4lbs
 - ii. 13.3-inch HD Anti-Glare LED display
 - iii. 128GB SSD Hard Drive
 - iv. 2.50 GHz Intel® i5 Processor-Dual Core
 - v. 8GB DDR3 SDRAM
 - vi. USB Ports
 - 1. 2.0 - (USB/eSATA combo)
 - 2. 3.0 – 2
 - vii. Video output:
 - 1. HDMI
 - viii. Video Card
 - 1. 128MB Dedicated VRAM
 - 2. 1366X768 - Native Resolution
 - ix. Network Connections:
 - 1. Built-in Wireless Card (802.11ac)
 - 2. 10/100/1000 Gigabit Ethernet
 - x. Other inputs:
 - 1. Stereo headphone/Microphone combo jack
 - 2. Integrated, noise reducing array microphone
 - 3. Integrated HD video webcam
- 2. Elementary Students: Windows Laptops (limited in numbers)
 - a. Software
 - i. OS – Windows 10, 1803 : 64-bit
 - ii. Browsers – Internet Explorer 11; Google Chrome 66.x+ or above; Microsoft Edge 42.17134.1.0 or above
 - iii. Java – 1.8.0_171 or above
 - iv. PDF Reader - embedded within Chrome and Edge
 - v. Adobe Reader - standalone application
 - vi. Flash Player – embedded with all browsers
 - vii. Adobe Shockwave – 12.2 or above
 - viii. Silverlight: 5.5.x or above
 - b. Hardware (Latitude 3180 Education model):
 - i. Dimensions & Weight
 - 1. Width: 11.94" / 303.3mm
 - 2. Height: .82" / 20.8mm
 - 3. Depth: 8.11" / 206.0mm
 - 4. Weight 2.79 lbs / 1.27kg
 - ii. 11-inch HD - Display
 - iii. 64GB eMMC Storage - Hard drive
 - iv. Intel® Pentium® Processor N4200
 - v. 4GB 1600MHz LPDDR3
 - vi. USB Ports
 - 1. 3.1 Gen 1 – 2
 - vii. Video output:
 - 1. HDMI - full size
 - viii. Video Card
 - 1. Intel integrated HD graphics 4600

- 2. Optional AMD Radeon HD 8690M with 2GB memory
 - ix. Network Connections:
 - 1. Intel Dual Band Wireless-AC 7265 802.11AC Wi-Fi + BT 4.0 LE Wireless Card (2x2)
 - x. Other inputs:
 - 1. 2 speakers
 - 2. 1 Combo headphone/microphone jack
 - 3. USB card reader
 - 4. Integrated HD video webcam
3. Elementary Students: Dell Chromebooks (primary device for all elementary students)
- a. Software
 - i. Google Chrome 75.x+ or above
 - b. Hardware (Based on Dell Chromebook 11 3180 model):
 - i. Dimensions & Weight
 - 1. Width: 11.94" / 303.3mm
 - 2. Height: 0.81" / 20.75mm
 - 3. Depth: 8.11" / 206mm
 - 4. Weight 2.79 lbs / 1.27kg
 - ii. 11.6-inch HDF - Display
 - iii. 16GB eMMC - Hard drive
 - iv. Celeron N3060 - Processor
 - v. 4GB Memory - Memory
 - vi. USB Ports
 - 1. 2 USB 3.1 Gen 1
 - vii. Video output:
 - 1. Full size HDMI
 - viii. Video Card
 - 1. Intel integrated HD graphics 4600
 - ix. Network Connections:
 - 1. Built-in Wireless Card (802.11a/g/n)
 - x. Other inputs:
 - 1. 2 speakers
 - 2. Headphone/Microphone jack
4. iOS Devices - Elementary and Secondary
- a. Software
 - i. iOS version - 12.x
 - ii. Safari browser
 - b. Hardware (Based on iPad MR7F2LL/A)
 - i. Dimensions and Weight
 - 1. Height: 9.4 inches
 - 2. Width: 6.6 inches
 - 3. Depth: 0.29 inches
 - 4. Weight: 16.48 ounces
 - 5. A10 Fusion chip with 64-bit architecture, Embedded M10 coprocessor
 - ii. Display:
 - 1. 9.7-inch (diagonal) LED-backlit glossy widescreen
 - 2. LED Backlit with Multi-touch with IPS technology
 - a. 2048-by-1536-pixel resolution.
 - b. Retina Display
 - iii. 32GB Storage
 - iv. Wireless-A, Wireless-AC, Wireless-B, Wireless-G, Wireless-N
 - v. Bluetooth 4.2 Technology
 - vi. Camera, Photos and Video Recording:

1. Camera
 - a. 8-megapixel camera
 - b. Live Photos
 - c. Autofocus
 - d. Panorama (up to 43 megapixels)
 - e. HDR for photos
 - f. Exposure control
 - g. Burst mode
 - h. Tap to focus
 - i. Timer mode
 - j. *f*/2.4 aperture
 - k. Five-element lens
 - l. Hybrid IR filter
 - m. Backside illumination
 - n. Auto image stabilization
 - o. Face detection
 - p. Photo geotagging
2. Video Recording
 - a. 1080p HD video recording (30 fps)
 - b. Slo-mo (120 fps)
 - c. Time-lapse video with stabilization
 - d. Video image stabilization
 - e. Face detection
 - f. 3x video zoom
 - g. Video geotagging
3. FaceTime HD Camera
 - a. 1.2-megapixel photos
 - b. Live Photos
 - c. *f*/2.2 aperture
 - d. Retina Flash
 - e. 720p HD video recording
 - f. Backside illumination
 - g. HDR for photos and videos
 - h. Face detection
 - i. Burst mode
 - j. Exposure control
 - k. Timer mode
- vii. Power and Battery:
 1. Built-in 32.4-watt-hour rechargeable lithium-polymer battery
 2. Up to 10 hours of surfing the web on Wi-Fi, watching video, or listening to music
 3. Charging via power adapter or USB to computer system
- viii. Sensors:
 1. Touch ID (Fingerprint identity sensor built into the Home button)
 2. Three-axis gyro
 3. Accelerometer
 4. Barometer
 5. Ambient light sensor
- ix. Accessibility:

Accessibility features help people with disabilities get the most out of their device. With built-in support for vision, hearing, physical and motor skills, and learning and literacy.

 1. Voice-over
 2. Zoom
 3. Magnifier

4. Siri and Dictation
5. Switch Control
6. Closed Captions
7. Assistive Touch
8. Speak Screen

IV. COUNTY RESPONSIBILITIES

Henrico County Public Schools (HCPS) will designate an individual to act as the County’s representative with respect to the work to be performed under this contract. Such individual shall have the authority to transmit instructions, receive information, and interpret and define the County’s policies and decisions with respect to the contract. HCPS will monitor and support implementation through content area coaches and specialists, RTI Specialist, and Exceptional Education Specialists.

V. ANTICIPATED PROCUREMENT SCHEDULE

The following represents a tentative outline of the process currently anticipated by the County:

Request for Proposal Distributed	February 8, 2021
Questions Due	February 15, 2021; 2:00 p.m.
Receive Written Proposals	March 5, 2021; 2:30 p.m.
Conduct Oral Interviews with Offerors	March 30, 2021
Negotiations Completed	March/April, 2021
Award Contract	April/May, 2021
[Installation/Services] Begin	July 1, 2021

VI. GENERAL CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS

A. Annual Appropriations

The contract resulting from this procurement (“Contract”) shall be subject to annual appropriations by the Henrico County Board of Supervisors. Should the Board fail to appropriate funds for this Contract, the Contract shall be terminated when existing funds are exhausted. The Successful Offeror (“Successful Offeror” or “Contractor”) shall not be entitled to seek redress from the County or its elected officials, officers, agents, employees, or volunteers should the Board of Supervisors fail to make annual appropriations for the Contract.

B. Award of the Contract

1. The County reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive any informalities.
2. The Successful Offeror must, within fifteen (15) calendar days after Contract documents are presented for signature, execute and deliver to the Purchasing office the Contract documents and any other forms or bonds required by the RFP.
3. The Contract resulting from this RFP is not assignable
4. Notice of award or intent to award may also appear on the Purchasing Office website: <http://henrico.us/finance/divisions/purchasing/>.

C. Collusion

By submitting a proposal in response to this Request for Proposal, each Offeror represents that in the preparation and submission of this proposal, the Offeror did not, either directly or indirectly, enter into any combination or arrangement with any person, Offeror or corporation or enter into any agreement, participate in any collusion, or otherwise take any action in the restraint of free,

competitive bidding in violation of the Sherman Act (15 U.S.C. § 1 et seq.) or Section 59.1-9.1 through 59.1-9.17 or Sections 59.1-68.6 through 59.1-68.8 of the Code of Virginia.

D. Compensation

The Successful Offeror must submit a complete itemized invoice for services that are performed under the Contract. The County shall pay the Successful Offeror for satisfactory compliance with the Contract within forty-five (45) days after receipt of a proper invoice.

E. Controlling Law and Venue

The Contract will be made, entered into, and shall be performed in the County and shall be governed by the applicable laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia without regard to its conflicts of law principles. Any dispute arising out of the Contract, its interpretations, or its performance shall be litigated only in the Henrico County General District Court or the Circuit Court of the County of Henrico, Virginia.

F. Default

1. If the Successful Offeror is wholly responsible for a failure to perform the Contract (including, but not limited to, failure deliver services, failure to complete implementation, or if the services fail to perform as specified herein), the County may consider the Successful Offeror to be in default. In the event of default, the County will provide the Successful Offeror with written notice of default, and the Successful Offeror shall provide a plan to correct the default within 20 calendar days of the County's notice of default.
2. If the Successful Offeror fails to cure the default within 20 days, the County, among other actions, may complete the Contract work through a third party, and the Successful Offeror shall be responsible for any amount in excess of the Contract price incurred by the County in completing the work to a capability equal to that specified in the Contract.

G. Drug-Free Workplace to be Maintained by the Contractor (VA. Code §2.2-4312)

1. During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor agrees to (i) provide a drug-free workplace for the Contractor's employees; (ii) post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance or marijuana is prohibited in the Contractor's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition; (iii) state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor that the Contractor maintains a drug-free workplace; and (iv) include the provisions of the foregoing clauses in every subcontract or purchase order of over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.
2. For the purposes of this section, "*drug-free workplace*" means a site for the performance of work done in connection with a specific contract awarded to a contractor in accordance with the Virginia Public Procurement Act, the employees of whom are prohibited from engaging in the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession or use of any controlled substance or marijuana during the performance of the contract.

H. Employment Discrimination by Contractor Prohibited

1. Contractor certifies to the County of Henrico, Virginia that it will conform to the provisions of the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, as well as the Virginia Fair Employment Contracting Act of 1975, as amended, where applicable, the Virginians With Disabilities Act, the Americans With Disabilities Act and § 2.2-4311 of the Virginia Public Procurement Act. If the award is made to a faith-based organization, the organization shall not discriminate against any recipient of goods, services, or disbursements made pursuant to the contract on the basis of the recipient's religion, religious belief, refusal to participate in a religious practice, or on the basis of race, age,

color, gender or national origin and shall be subject to the same rules as other organizations that contract with public bodies to account for the use of the funds provided; however, if the faith-based organization segregates public funds into separate accounts, only the accounts and programs funded with public funds shall be subject to audit by the public body. (Code of Virginia, § 2.2-4343.1E). During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor agrees as follows (Va. Code § 2.2-4311):

- a) The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, or other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment, except where there is a bona fide occupational qualification reasonably necessary to the normal operation of the Contractor. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
 - b) The Contractor, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, will state that such Contractor is an equal opportunity employer.
 - c) Notices, advertisements and solicitations placed in accordance with federal law, rule or regulation shall be deemed sufficient for the purpose of meeting the requirements of this section.
2. The Contractor will include the provisions of the foregoing subparagraphs (a), (b), and (c) in every subcontract or purchase order of over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.

I. Employment of Unauthorized Aliens Prohibited

As required by Virginia Code §2.2-4311.1, the Contractor does not, and shall not during the performance of this agreement, in the County of Henrico, Virginia knowingly employ an unauthorized alien as defined in the Federal Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986.

J. Ethics in Public Contracting

Contractor certifies that its proposals are made without collusion or fraud and that they have not offered or received any kickbacks or inducements from any other offeror, supplier, manufacturer or subcontractor in connection with its proposal, and that they have not conferred on any public employee having official responsibility for this procurement transaction any payment, loan, subscription, advance, deposit of money, services or anything of more than nominal value, present or promised, unless consideration of substantially equal or greater value was exchanged.

K. Antitrust

By entering into a contract, the Successful Offeror conveys, sells, assigns, and transfers to the County of Henrico, Virginia all rights, title and interest in and to all causes of action it may now have or hereafter acquire under the antitrust laws of the United States and the Commonwealth of Virginia, relating to the particular services purchased or acquired by the County under the contract.

L. Testing and Inspection

The County reserves the right to conduct any test/inspection it may deem advisable to assure services conform to the specifications.

M. Assignment of Contract

A contract shall not be assignable by the Successful Offeror in whole or in part without the written consent of the County

N. Indemnification

The Successful Offeror agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the County(including Henrico County Public Schools), and the County's officers, agents and employees from any claims, damages, suits, actions, liabilities and costs of any kind or nature, including attorneys' fees, arising from or caused

by the provision of any services, the failure to provide any services or the use of any services or materials furnished (or made available) by the Successful Offeror, provided that such liability is not attributable to the County's sole negligence.

O. Insurance Requirements

The Successful Offeror shall maintain insurance to protect itself and the County and the County's elected officials, officers, agents, volunteers and employees from claims under the Workers' Compensation Act, and from any other claim for damages for personal injury, including death, and for damages to property which may arise from the provision of services under the Contract, whether such services are provided by the Successful Offeror or by any subcontractor or anyone directly employed by either of them. Such insurance shall conform to the Insurance Specifications. **(Attachment E)**.

P. No Discrimination against Faith-Based Organizations

The County does not discriminate against faith-based organizations as that term is defined in Va. Code § 2.2-4343.1.

Q. Offeror's Performance

1. The Successful Offeror agrees and covenants that its agents and employees shall comply with all County, state and federal laws, rules and regulations applicable to the business to be conducted under the Contract.
2. The Successful Offeror shall ensure that its employees shall observe and exercise all necessary caution and discretion so as to avoid injury to person or damage to property of any and all kinds.
3. The Successful Offeror shall cooperate with County officials in performing the Contract work so that interference with the County's normal operations will be held to a minimalized.
4. The Successful Offeror shall be an independent contractor and shall not be an employee of the County.

R. Ownership of Deliverable and Related Products

1. The County shall have all rights, title, and interest in or to all specified or unspecified interim and final products, work plans, project reports and/or presentations, data, documentation, computer programs and/or applications, and documentation developed or generated during the completion of this project, including, without limitation, unlimited rights to use, duplicate, modify, or disclose any part thereof, in any manner and for any purpose, and the right to permit or prohibit any other person, including the Successful Offeror, from doing so. To the extent that the Successful Offeror may be deemed at any time to have any of the foregoing rights, the Successful Offeror agrees to irrevocably assign and does hereby irrevocably assign such rights to the County.
2. The Successful Offeror is expressly prohibited from receiving additional payments or profit from the items referred to in this paragraph, other than that which is provided for in the general terms and conditions of the Contract.
3. This shall not preclude Offerors from submitting proposals, which may include innovative ownership approaches, in the best interest of the County.

S. Record Retention and Audits

1. The Successful Offeror shall retain, during the performance of the Contract and for a period of five years from the completion of the Contract, all records pertaining to the Successful Offeror's proposal and any Contract awarded pursuant to this Request for Proposal. Such records shall include but not be limited to all paid vouchers including those for out-of-pocket expenses; other reimbursement supported by invoices, including the Successful Offeror's copies of periodic estimates for partial payment; ledgers, cancelled checks; deposit slips; bank statements; journals; Contract amendments and change orders; insurance documents; payroll documents; timesheets; memoranda; and

correspondence. Such records shall be available to the County on demand and without advance notice during the Successful Offeror's normal working hours.

2. County personnel may perform in-progress and post-audits of the Successful Offeror's records as a result of a Contract awarded pursuant to this Request for Proposals. Files would be available on demand and without notice during normal working hours.

T. Severability

Each paragraph and provision of the Contract is severable from the entire agreement and if any provision is declared invalid the remaining provisions shall nevertheless remain in effect.

U. Minority-, Woman-, Service Disabled Veteran-Owned, Small Businesses and Employment Services Organizations

It is the policy of the County to actively seek out and provide contracting opportunities to minority-, woman-, service disabled veteran-owned, small businesses and employment services organizations in procurement transactions made by the County.

The County strongly encourages all suppliers to respond to Invitations for Bids and Request for Proposals and supports the use of minority-, woman-, service disabled veteran-owned, small businesses and employment services organizations for sub-contracting opportunities.

All formal solicitations are posted on the Commonwealth of Virginia eVA and the County's internet site at <http://henrico.us/finance/divisions/purchasing/> and may be viewed under the Bids and Proposals link. Construction related solicitations are located on eVA and County internet sites and on ProcureWare at <https://henrico.procurement.com/home>.

V. Subcontracts

No portion of the work shall be subcontracted without prior written consent of the County. In the event that the Successful Offeror desires to subcontract some part of the work specified in the contract, the Successful Offeror shall furnish the County the names, qualifications, and experience of the proposed subcontractors. The Successful Offeror shall, however, remain fully liable and responsible for the work to be done by his/her subcontractor(s) and shall assure compliance with all the requirements of the Contract.

W. Taxes

1. The Successful Offeror shall pay all County, state, and federal taxes required by law and resulting from the work or traceable thereto, under whatever name levied. Such taxes shall not be in addition to the Contract price between the County and the Successful Offeror because the taxes shall be solely an obligation of the Successful Offeror and not the County, the County shall be held harmless for same by the Successful Offeror.
2. The County is exempt from the payment of federal excise taxes and the payment of state sales and use tax on all tangible, personal property for its use or consumption. Tax exemption certificates will be furnished upon request.

X. Termination of Contract

1. The County reserves the right to terminate the Contract immediately in the event that the Successful Offeror discontinues or abandons operations; is adjudged bankrupt, or is reorganized under any bankruptcy law; or fails to keep in force any required insurance policies or bonds.
2. Failure of the Successful Offeror to comply with any section or part of the Contract will be considered grounds for immediate termination of the Contract by the County.
3. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the Contract between the County and the Successful Offeror, the County may, without prejudice to any other rights it may have, terminate the

Contract for convenience and without cause, by giving 30 days' written notice to the Successful Offeror.

4. If the County terminates the Contract, the Successful Offeror will be paid by the County for all scheduled work completed satisfactorily by the Successful Offeror up to the termination date.

Y. County License Requirement

If a business is located in the County, it is unlawful to conduct or engage in the business without obtaining a business license. If your business is located in the County, include a copy of your current business license with your proposal submission. If your business is not located in the County, include a copy of your current business license with your proposal submission. If you have any questions, contact the Business Section, Department of Finance, County of Henrico, telephone (804) 501-4310.

Z. Environmental Management

The Successful Offeror must comply with all applicable federal, state, and local environmental regulations. The Successful Offeror is required to abide by the County's Environmental Policy Statement: http://henrico.us/pdfs/risk/env_policy.pdf which emphasizes environmental compliance, pollution prevention, continual improvement, and conservation. Employees of the Successful Offeror must be properly trained and have any necessary certifications to carry out environmental responsibilities. The Successful Offeror must immediately communicate any environmental concerns or incidents to the assigned County Project Manager and the County Risk Manager.

AA. Safety

1. The Successful Offeror shall comply with and ensure that the Successful Offeror's personnel comply with all current applicable local, state and federal policies, regulations and standards relating to safety and health, including, by way of illustration and not limitation, the standards of the Virginia Occupational Safety and Health Administration for the industry. The provisions of all rules and regulations governing safety as adopted by the Safety and Health Codes Board of the Commonwealth of Virginia and issued by the Department of Labor and Industry under Title 40.1 of the Code of Virginia shall apply to all work under the Contract. The Successful Offeror shall provide or cause to be provided all technical expertise, qualified personnel, equipment, tools and material to safely accomplish the work specified and performed by the Successful Offeror.
2. Each job site must have a supervisor who is competent, qualified, or authorized on the worksite, who is familiar with policies, regulations and standards applicable to the work being performed. The supervisor must be capable of identifying existing and predictable hazards in the surroundings or working conditions which are hazardous or dangerous to employees or the public, and is capable of ensuring that applicable safety regulations are complied with, and shall have the authority and responsibility to take prompt corrective measures, which may include removal of the Successful Offeror's personnel from the work site.
3. In the event the County determines any operations of the Successful Offeror to be hazardous, the Successful Offeror must immediately discontinue such operations upon receipt of either written or oral notice by the County to discontinue such practice.

BB. Authorization to Transact Business in the Commonwealth

1. A contractor organized as a stock or nonstock corporation, limited liability company, business trust, or limited partnership or registered as a registered limited liability partnership or other business form must be authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth as a domestic or foreign business entity if so required by Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the Code of Virginia or as otherwise required by law.
2. An Offeror organized or authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth pursuant to Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the Code of Virginia must include in its proposal the identification

number issued to it by the State Corporation Commission (Attachment C). Any Offeror that is not required to be authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth as a foreign business entity under Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the Code of Virginia or as otherwise required by law must include in its proposal a statement describing why the Offeror is not required to be so authorized.

3. An Offeror described in subsection 2 that fails to provide the required information shall not receive an award unless a written waiver is granted by the Purchasing Director, his designee, or the County Manager.
4. Any falsification or misrepresentation contained in the statement submitted by the Offeror pursuant to Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the Code of Virginia may be cause for debarment by the County.
5. Any business entity described in subsection 1 that enters into a contract with a public body must not allow its existence to lapse or allow its certificate of authority or registration to transact business in the Commonwealth if so required by Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the Code of Virginia to be revoked or cancelled at any time during the term of the contract.

CC. Payment Clauses Required by Va. Code §2.2-4354

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-4354:

1. The Successful Offeror shall take one of the two following actions within seven days after receipt of amounts paid to the Successful Offeror by the County for all or portions of the goods and/or services provided by a subcontractor: (a) pay the subcontractor for the proportionate share of the total payment received from the County attributable to the work performed by the subcontractor under that contract; or (b) notify the County and subcontractor, in writing, of the Successful Offeror's intention to withhold all or a part of the subcontractor's payment with the reason for nonpayment.
2. The Successful Offeror that is a proprietor, partnership, or corporation shall provide its federal employer identification number to the County. Pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-4354, the Successful Offeror who is an individual contractor shall provide his/her social security numbers to the County.
3. The Successful Offeror shall pay interest to its subcontractors on all amounts owed by the Successful Offeror that remain unpaid after seven days following receipt by the Successful Offeror of payment from the County for all or portions of goods and/or services performed by the subcontractors, except for amounts withheld as allowed in Subparagraph 1. above.
4. Unless otherwise provided under the terms of the Contract interest shall accrue at the rate of one percent per month.
5. The Successful Offeror shall include in each of its subcontracts a provision requiring each subcontractor to include or otherwise be subject to the same payment and interest requirements with respect to each lower-tier subcontractor.
6. The Successful Offeror's obligation to pay an interest charge to a subcontractor pursuant to the payment clause in Virginia Code § 2.2-4354 shall not be construed to be an obligation of the County. A Contract modification shall not be made for the purpose of providing reimbursement for the interest charge. A cost reimbursement claim shall not include any amount for reimbursement for the interest charge.

DD. Contact Period

1. The contract period shall be from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. Contract prices shall remain firm for the contract period.
2. The contract may be renewed for four (4) additional one-year periods at a price not to exceed 3% above the previous year's prices.
3. The resulting contract should require the Successful Offeror to give at least a ninety (90) day written notice if it does not intend to renew the contract at any annual renewal.

4. The contract shall not exceed a maximum of five (5) years.

EE. Occupational Safety & Health Policy Statement

The Successful Offeror must comply with all applicable federal, state, and local occupational safety and health standards. The Successful Offeror is required to abide by the County's Occupational Safety & Health Policy Statement: https://henrico.us/pdfs/risk/h_safety_policy.pdf which emphasizes maintaining a safe and healthy work environment for all employees, volunteers, and contractors who access County property and locations. The Successful Offeror must be properly trained and have any necessary certifications to carry out occupational safety and health policy responsibilities. The Successful Offeror must immediately communicate any concerns or incidents to the assigned County Project Manager and the County Risk Manager.

FF. Tobacco – Free Requirement

County Public Schools (“HCPS”) has a tobacco-free policy on school property. Therefore, the use or display of tobacco products by the Contractor, its suppliers and/or subcontractors on school property is strictly prohibited at all times, including days and/or hours when school is not in session. This includes, but is not limited to, outdoor areas of school properties and personal or business vehicles present on school property.

“Tobacco products” include any lit or unlit cigarette (including candy cigarettes), cigar, pipe, smokeless tobacco, dip, chew, and snuff in any form. This includes electronic cigarettes, cigarette packages, smokeless tobacco containers, lighters, and any other items containing or reasonably resembling tobacco, tobacco product images and tobacco company logos, such as key chains, t-shirts, ash trays, and coffee mugs.

“School property” includes land, buildings, facilities, and vehicles owned or rented by HCPS. School property includes parking lots, playgrounds and recreational areas.

GG. Conduct

1. Fraternalization between supplier and teachers or students is strictly prohibited.
2. Use, consumption, and/or possession of any controlled substance, substances considered to be illegal, and alcohol are strictly prohibited on school grounds.
3. Cigarette smoking is prohibited on school grounds.
4. Use of vulgar, suggestive or abusive language or gestures is strictly prohibited on school grounds.
5. Use of radios/stereos or other noise producing equipment shall not be used. No weapons of any kind are allowed on school grounds.

HH. Service Accessibility

Pursuant to the award of the contract and as soon as practicable but not later than September 1, 2019, the Successful Offeror shall confirm that all online content and/or web-based functionality provided is accessible to individuals with disabilities except where doing so would impose a fundamental alteration or undue burden. Accessibility will be measured according to the W3C's Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAO) 2.0 Level AA and the Web Accessibility Initiative Accessible Rich Internet Applications Suite (WAI-ARIA) 1.0 techniques.

II. Section 508 Compliance

All information technology which, pursuant to this RFP, is purchased or upgraded by or for the use of any Commonwealth agency or institution or political subdivision of the Commonwealth (the “Technology”) shall comply with Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act (29 U.S.C. 794d), as amended. If requested, the Supplier must provide a detailed explanation of how compliance with Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act is achieved and a validation of concept demonstration. The

requirements of this Paragraph along with the Non-Visual Access to Technology Clause shall be construed to achieve full compliance with the Information Technology Access Act, §§ 2.2-3500 through 2.2-3504 of the Code of Virginia for web content, which are incorporated by reference.

JJ. Cooperative Procurement

This procurement is being conducted by the County in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.2-4304 of the Code of Virginia. Except for contracts for architectural and engineering services, if agreed to by the contractor, other public bodies may utilize this Contract. The Contractor shall deal directly with any public body it authorizes to use the Contract. The County, its officials, and its employees are not responsible for placement of orders, invoicing, payments, contractual disputes, or any other transactions between the Contractor and any other public body, and in no event shall the County, its officials, or its employees be responsible for any costs, damages or injury resulting to any party from another public body's cooperative use of a County contract. The County assumes no responsibility for any notification of the availability of the Contract for use by other public bodies, but the Contractor may conduct such notification.

VII. PROPOSAL SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- A. The Purchasing Division will not accept oral proposals, nor proposals received by telephone, FAX machine, or email or hard copy submissions. Proposals will only be accepted through eVA.
- B. All erasures, interpolations, and other changes in the proposal shall be signed or initialed by the Offeror.
- C. The Proposal Signature Sheet (**Attachment A**) must accompany any proposal(s) submitted and be signed by an authorized representative of the Offeror. If the Offeror is a firm or corporation, the Offeror must print the name and title of the individual executing the proposal. All information requested should be submitted. Failure to submit all information requested may result in the Purchasing Division requiring prompt submission of missing information and/or giving a lowered evaluation of the proposal.
- D. Reserved.
- E. The time proposals are received shall be determined by the time clock in eVA. Offerors are responsible for insuring that their proposals are submitted in eVA by the deadline indicated.
- F. By submitting a proposal in response to this Request for Proposal, the Offeror represents it has read and understands the Scope of Services and has familiarized itself with all federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, and rules and regulations that in any manner may affect the cost, progress, or performance of the Contract work.
- G. The failure or omission of any Offeror to receive or examine any form, instrument, addendum, or other documents or to acquaint itself with conditions existing at the site, shall in no way relieve any Offeror from any obligations with respect to its proposal or to the Contract.
- H. Subject to the limitations of Va. Code § 2.2-4342(F), trade secrets or proprietary information submitted by an Offeror in connection with this procurement transaction shall not be subject to public disclosure under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; however, the Offeror must invoke the protection of this section prior to or upon submission of data or materials, and must identify the data or other materials to be protected and state the reasons why protection is necessary (Va. Code § 2.2-4342(F)). (**Attachment D**)

- I. A proposal may be modified or withdrawn by the Offeror any time prior to the time and date set for the receipt of proposals. The Offeror shall follow the process in eVA. No proposal can be withdrawn after the time set for the receipt of proposals and for one-hundred twenty (120) days thereafter.
- J. The County welcomes comments regarding how the proposal documents and scope of services may be improved. **Offerors requesting clarification, interpretation of, or improvements to the Request for Proposal's general terms, conditions, and scope of services shall submit technical questions concerning the Request for Proposal no later than 2:00 p.m.; February 15, 2021 in writing.** Any changes to this Request for Proposals shall be in the form of a written addendum issued by the Purchasing Division and it shall be signed by the Purchasing Director or a duly authorized representative. **Each Offeror is responsible for determining that it has received all addenda issued by the Purchasing Division before submitting a proposal.**
- K. All proposals received on time shall be accepted for consideration. Proposals shall be open to public inspection only after award of the Contract.

VIII. EVALUATION (SAMPLE MATERIALS) SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- A. Offerors shall submit samples of instructional materials (printed format) that are being offered. The Purchasing Division will accept samples no later than the due date of the RFP. Samples shall be delivered to the physical address of the County of Henrico, Purchasing Division, 8600 Staples Mill Road, Henrico, VA 23228.
- B. All packages containing samples shall be delivered in a sealed box and the outside of the box shall be marked with the number and title of the RFP and the offeror's name.
- C. All samples must be labeled with the title and number of RFP and the offeror's name.
- D. Failure to provide samples by the time specified, may result in the rejection of an offeror's proposal.
- E. Samples will remain in the possession of the County until a contract is award is finalized.
- F. Upon contract award finalization, offerors will be notified and responsible for the pick-up/return freight of the sample units. If return arrangements are not confirmed within seven calendar days after notification from the Purchasing Division that the evaluation units are available for return, the Purchasing Division reserves the right to dispose of the sample materials.

IX. PROPOSAL RESPONSE FORMAT

- A. Offerors shall submit a written proposal that present the Offeror's qualifications and understanding of the work to be performed. Offerors must address each evaluation criterion and be specific in presenting their qualifications. The proposal should provide all the information considered pertinent to the Offeror's qualifications for this project.
- B. The Offeror should include in its proposal the following:
 - 1. Table of Contents
All pages are to be numbered.

2. **Tab 1 – Introduction and Signed Forms**

In this tab, the following items should be provided:

- a. Cover Letter – On company letterhead, signed by a person with the corporate authority to enter into contracts in the amount of the proposal.
- b. Proposal Signature Sheet – **Attachment A**
- c. Business Classification Form – **Attachment B**
- d. Virginia State Corporation Commission Registration Information – **Attachment C**
- e. Proprietary/Confidential Information – **Attachment D**
- f. Direct Contact with Student Form - **Attachment F**

3. **Tab 2 – Statement of the Scope**

In this tab, offerors, in concise terms, shall state their understanding of the Scope of Services requested by this RFP in Section II and III.

4. **Tab 3 - Offeror Qualifications, Experience, Resumes and Financial Capacity.**

In this tab, offeror should demonstrate the Offeror's and their staff's qualifications and experience in providing the services as requested in this Request for Proposal (RFP). Offeror's should provide, at a minimum, documentation demonstrating that their firm is a firm regularly engaged in providing the services solicited in this RFP. If subconsultants are to be utilized provide similar documentation to what has been requested of the offeror in this section. Provide appropriate documentation to support:

- a. Years in business outlining the company history and experience providing services as requested in this RFP;
- b. Experience with a project of this magnitude;
- c. Evidence of financial stability;
- d. Experience with development of digital content aligned with Virginia SOLs;
- e. Experience in K-12;
- f. Evidence of research demonstrating the validity of the techniques, materials and interventions presented to include a review from an impartial research-based agency, such as the Florida Center for Reading Research or the Oregon Reading First Review Panel;
- g. Number of current customers;
- h. Number of employees proposed for the development and ongoing processes including training; and
- i. Resumes of proposed staff that would be assigned to this project.

5. **Tab 4 – Service Approach and Implementation**

In this tab, offerors should describe, in detail, the proposed solution. Offerors shall discuss their current workload and their ability to provide their proposed solution by July 1, 2021. Offerors shall provide, at minimum, the following:

- a. A sandbox environment for any digital proposed solutions for the committee to use for evaluation. If the "sandbox: environment is not available, offerors shall provide screen shots for the product with their proposal;
- b. Samples of the instructional materials (printed format) that are being offered. See Sec.VIII for instructions. **(*DO NOT INCLUDE YOUR PROPOSALS WITH YOUR SAMPLES)**
- c. A projected schedule for performing key phases of the project, including estimated time frame;
- d. Any agreements to which HCPS may be required to agree to as part of the contract should your firm be awarded the contract. (i.e. Service Level Agreement etc.)
- e. Any terms and conditions the "end user" is required to accept;

- f. Discuss how parental consent is handled, if required; and
 - g. A detailed timeline for implementation of the proposed solution indicating resources (responsible party) and completion dates.
6. **Tab 5 – Technical Administration, User Interface, Security Integration and Devices**
In this tab, offerors should describe, in detail, how the proposed solution meets the technical requirement of the RFP. Offerors shall provide, at a minimum, documentation to support:
- a. Evidence of their ability to accommodate concurrent users based on data collected from a similar environment;
 - b. How accounts are maintained in their system and how they support automated provisioning of users and accounts;
 - c. Describe the data exchange process in detail;
 - d. Describe any limitations the proposed solution may have such as the number of teachers for a class and the number of schools associated with teachers and students;
 - e. Provide per user bandwidth requirements for the proposed solution;
 - f. Provide the average bandwidth per student required; and,
 - g. Provide a detailed description of the implementation and support the solution has for LTI version 1.1 or higher certified as a toll Provider (TP) with our LMS Solution (Schoology).
7. **Tab 6 – Reporting and Monitoring**
In this tab, offerors shall provide the following information regarding reports and monitoring
- a. Describe program-specific progress monitoring. While program monitoring is desired, HCPS shall continue to monitor student progress using a progress monitoring tool that is independent of the students' curriculum/intervention.
 - b. Provide samples and descriptions of reports offered and the ability to customize content and reports.
8. **Tab 7 – Training and Professional Development**
In this tab, offerors shall describe training and professional development that is included with the proposed solution. Offerors shall include a description of the required training for implementation of the program as well as options for continued professional development at either the district or school level. Pricing shall be clearly defined in the proposal submission. Include pricing for county-wide, train-the-trainer model as well as resources and professional development options available to schools at no additional cost.
9. **Tab 8 – Pricing**
In this tab, offerors shall provide a detailed pricing schedule. The price shall include all costs associated with providing the services and materials outlined in Sec. II and Sec.III of this RFP.
- a. List all categories separately, itemized for evaluation such as material cost, training of County staff, projected man-hours, hourly rates, etc.
 - b. Include a statement that the Offeror will provide all services as outlined in their proposal.
 - c. Provide all costs for annual services for each program being offered up to five years. To include the following:
 - i. Provide a cost proposal for professional development and training for HCPS new hires working with reading RTI Tier II and Tier III interventions beyond the first year of implementation.
 - ii. Provide a separate cost for consumable materials.
 - iii. Provide a separate cost for RTI Tier II and Tier III interventions for secondary (grades 6-12) writing skills.

- d. Provide pricing for Year 1 on **Attachment G**, based on your firm's pricing model. If more than one program is being offered, offers must provide a separate **Attachment G** for each program being offered.

10. Tab 9 – **References**

In this tab, offerors shall provide a minimum of three (3) references who can attest to the Offeror's past performance to provide services similar to those required for this contract. References shall be from other school districts. The list should include contact person's name, position, telephone numbers, fax number, and if available the e-mail or Internet address. Offerors may not use Henrico County as one of their references. By submitting a proposal, offerors agree to permit the County to contact the Offeror's clients to confirm the quality of past work for those clients.

11. (if needed) Tab 10 – **Exceptions**

In this tab, offerors shall list any exceptions taken to the Scope of Services and General Terms and Conditions of this Request for Proposals. The County intends to make the RFP and the Successful Offeror's proposal a part of the contract between the parties, so Offerors should list any exceptions for purposes of negotiating the contract.

12. (if needed) Tab 11 – **Assumptions**

In this tab, offerors shall list any assumptions made when responding to this Request for Proposals

13. (if needed) Tab 12 – **Appendices**

Optional for Offerors who wish to submit additional material that will clarify their response

X. PROPOSAL EVALUATION/SELECTION PROCESS

- A. Offerors are to make written proposals, which present the Offeror's qualifications and understanding of the work to be performed. Offerors are asked to address each evaluation criteria and to be specific in presenting their qualifications. Proposals should be as thorough and detailed as possible so that the County may properly evaluate your capabilities to provide the required goods/services.

- B. Selection of the Successful Offeror will be based upon submission of proposals meeting the selection criteria. The minimum selection criteria will include:

Evaluation Criteria	Weight
Functional Requirement <i>(In accordance with Section IX Item B(3), B(6), B(7), and B(11) this criterion considers the extent to which the Offeror's proposal satisfied the services requested by this RFP and clearly demonstrates the work to be performed as specified in Sec. II and III)</i>	40
Experience and Qualifications <i>(In accordance with Section IX Item B(4) and B(10) this criterion considers the extent to which the Offeror's qualifications, experience, resumes and references of the overall Offeror and staff assigned relative to the service solicited by this RFP as specified in Section II and III)</i>	30
Implementation <i>(In accordance with Section IX Item B(5), B(6) and Item B(8) this criterion considers the Offeror's service approach, training and implementation of services as requested by this RFP as specified in Section II and III)</i>	20
Price <i>(In accordance with Section IX, Item B(9), this criterion considers the Offeror's pricing for completing the services requested by this RFP as specified in Section II and III.)</i>	5
Quality of Proposal Submission / Oral Presentations <i>(This criterion considers the overall quality of the Offeror's proposal submitted and any oral presentations required.)</i>	5
Total	100

- C. For goods, nonprofessional services, and insurance, selection shall be made of two or more Offerors deemed to be fully qualified and best suited among those submitting proposals, on the basis of the factors involved in the Request for Proposal, including price if so stated in the Request for Proposal. In the case of a proposal for information technology, as defined in Va. Code § 2.2-2006, the County shall not require an Offeror to state in a proposal any exception to any liability provisions contained in the Request for Proposal. Negotiations shall then be conducted with each of the Offerors so selected. The Offeror shall state any exception to any liability provisions contained in the Request for Proposal in writing at the beginning of negotiations, and such exceptions shall be considered during negotiation. Price shall be considered, but need not be the sole or primary determining factor. After negotiations have been conducted with each Offeror so selected, the County shall select the Offeror(s) which, in its opinion, has made the best proposal and provides the best value, and shall award the contract to that Offeror(s). Should the County determine in writing and in its sole discretion that only one Offeror is fully qualified, or that one Offeror is clearly more highly qualified than the others under consideration, a contract may be negotiated and awarded to that Offeror.

ATTACHMENT A
PROPOSAL SIGNATURE SHEET

My signature certifies that the proposal as submitted complies with all requirements specified in this Request for Proposal (“RFP”) **No.21-2114-2EMF RTI Reading (K-12) Curriculum for Tier II and Tier III.**

My signature also certifies that by submitting a proposal in response to this RFP, the Offeror represents that in the preparation and submission of this proposal, the Offeror did not, either directly or indirectly, enter into any combination or arrangement with any person or business entity, or enter into any agreement, participate in any collusion, or otherwise take any action in the restraining of free, competitive bidding in violation of the Sherman Act (15 U.S.C. Section 1) or Sections 59.1-9.1 through 59.1-9.17 or Sections 59.1-68.6 through 59.1-68.8 of the Code of Virginia.

I hereby certify that I am authorized to sign as a legal representative for the business entity submitting this proposal.

LEGAL NAME OF OFFEROR (DO <u>NOT</u> USE TRADE NAME):
ADDRESS:
FEDERAL ID NO:
SIGNATURE:
NAME OF PERSON SIGNING (PRINT):
TITLE:
TELEPHONE:
FAX:
EMAIL ADDRESS:
DATE:

**ATTACHMENT B
BUSINESS CATEGORY CLASSIFICATION FORM**

Company Legal Name: _____

This form completed by: Signature: _____ Title: _____

Date: _____

PLEASE SPECIFY YOUR BUSINESS CATEGORY BY CHECKING THE APPROPRIATE BOX(ES) BELOW.

(Check all that apply.)

- SMALL BUSINESS
- WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS
- MINORITY-OWNED BUSINESS
- SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN
- EMPLOYMENT SERVICES ORGANIZATION
- NON-SWaM (Not Small, Women-owned or Minority-owned)

SUPPLIER REGISTRATION – The County of Henrico encourages all suppliers interested in doing business with the County to register with eVA, the Commonwealth of Virginia’s electronic procurement portal, <http://eva.virginia.gov>.

eVA Registered? Yes No

If certified by the Virginia Minority Business Enterprises (DMBE), provide DMBE certification number and expiration date.

_____ NUMBER _____ DATE

DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of determining the appropriate business category, the following definitions apply:

"Small business" means a business, independently owned and controlled by one or more individuals who are U.S. citizens or legal resident aliens, and together with affiliates, has 250 or fewer employees, or annual gross receipts of \$10 million or less averaged over the previous three years. One or more of the individual owners shall control both the management and daily business operations of the small business.

"Women-owned business" means a business that is at least 51 percent owned by one or more women who are U.S. citizens or legal resident aliens, or in the case of a corporation, partnership, or limited liability company or other entity, at least 51 percent of the equity ownership interest is owned by one or more women who are U.S. citizens or legal resident aliens, and both the management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more women.

"Minority-owned business" means a business that is at least 51 percent owned by one or more minority individuals who are U.S. citizens or legal resident aliens, or in the case of a corporation, partnership, or limited liability company or other entity, at least 51 percent of the equity ownership interest in the corporation, partnership, or limited liability company or other entity is owned by one or more minority individuals who are U.S. citizens or legal resident aliens, and both the management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more minority individuals.

"Minority individual" means an individual who is a citizen of the United States or a legal resident alien and who satisfies one or more of the following definitions:

1. "African American" means a person having origins in any of the original peoples of Africa and who is regarded as such by the community of which this person claims to be a part.
2. "Asian American" means a person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands, including but not limited to Japan, China, Vietnam, Samoa, Laos, Cambodia, Taiwan, Northern Mariana Islands, the Philippines, a U.S. territory of the Pacific, India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, or Sri Lanka and who is regarded as such by the community of which this person claims to be a part.
3. "Hispanic American" means a person having origins in any of the Spanish-speaking peoples of Mexico, South or Central America, or the Caribbean Islands or other Spanish or Portuguese cultures and who is regarded as such by the community of which this person claims to be a part.
4. "Native American" means a person having origins in any of the original peoples of North America and who is regarded as such by the community of which this person claims to be a part or who is recognized by a tribal organization.

"Service disabled veteran business" means a business that is at least 51 percent owned by one or more service disabled veterans or, in the case of a corporation, partnership, or limited liability company or other entity, at least 51 percent of the equity ownership interest in the corporation, partnership, or limited liability company or other entity is owned by one or more individuals who are service disabled veterans and both the management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more individuals who are service disabled veterans.

"Service disabled veteran" means a veteran who (i) served on active duty in the United States military ground, naval, or air service, (ii) was discharged or released under conditions other than dishonorable, and (iii) has a service-connected disability rating fixed by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs.

"Employment services organization" means an organization that provides community-based employment services to individuals with disabilities that is an approved Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) accredited vendor of the Department of Aging and Rehabilitative Services.

ATTACHMENT C
Virginia State Corporation Commission (SCC)
Registration Information

The Offeror:

is a corporation or other business entity with the following SCC identification number:

_____ **-OR-**

is not a corporation, limited liability company, limited partnership, registered limited liability partnership, or business trust **-OR-**

is an out-of-state business entity that does not regularly and continuously maintain as part of its ordinary and customary business any employees, agents, offices, facilities, or inventories in Virginia (not counting any employees or agents in Virginia who merely solicit orders that require acceptance outside Virginia before they become contracts, and not counting any incidental presence of the Bidder in Virginia that is needed in order to assemble, maintain, and repair goods in accordance with the contracts by which such goods were sold and shipped into Virginia from Bidder's out-of-state location) **-OR-**

is an out-of-state business entity that is including with this bid/proposal an opinion of legal counsel which accurately and completely discloses the undersigned Bidder's current contracts with Virginia and describes why those contracts do not constitute the transaction of business in Virginia within the meaning of §13.1-757 or other similar provisions in Titles 13.1 or 50 of the Code of Virginia.

Please check the following box if you have not checked any of the foregoing options but currently have pending before the SCC an application for authority to transact business in the Commonwealth of Virginia and wish to be considered for a waiver to allow you to submit the SCC identification number after the due date for bids:

**ATTACHMENT D
PROPRIETARY/CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION IDENTIFICATION**

NAME OF OFFEROR: _____

Trade secrets or proprietary information submitted by an Offeror shall not be subject to public disclosure under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; however, the Offeror must invoke the protections of Va. Code § 2.2-4342(F) in writing, either before or at the time the data or other materials are submitted. The Offeror must specifically identify the data or materials to be protected including the section(s) of the proposal in which it is contained and the pages numbers, and state the reasons why protection is necessary. A summary of trade secrets and proprietary information submitted shall be submitted on this form. The proprietary or trade secret material submitted must be identified by some distinct method such as highlighting or underlining and must indicate only the specific words, figures, or paragraphs that constitute trade secret or proprietary information. Va. Code § 2.2-4342(F) prohibits an Offeror from classifying an entire proposal, any portion of a proposal that does not contain trade secrets or proprietary information, line item prices, or total proposal prices as proprietary or trade secrets. If, after being given reasonable time, the Offeror refuses to withdraw such classification(s), the proposal will be rejected.

SECTION/TITLE	PAGE NUMBER(S)	REASON(S) FOR WITHHOLDING FROM DISCLOSURE

**ATTACHMENT E
COUNTY OF HENRICO
INSURANCE SPECIFICATIONS**

The following insurance coverages and limits are required in order to provide goods, services, construction, professional and non-professional services to Henrico County general government agencies and Henrico County Public Schools. These requirements are specific to this procurement and may or may not be the same for future requests.

Please be sure and review the Additional Requirements Section

The Successful Bidder/Offeror shall carry Public Liability Insurance in the amount specified below, including contractual liability assumed by the Successful Bidder/Offeror, and shall deliver a Certificate of Insurance from carriers licensed to do business in the Commonwealth of Virginia and that is representative of the insurance policies. The Certificate shall show that the policy has been endorsed to add the County of Henrico and Henrico County Public Schools named as an additional insured for the Commercial General Liability coverage. **The certificate must not show in the description of operations section that it is issued specific to any bid, job, or contract.** The coverage shall be provided by a carrier(s) rated not less than "A-" with a financial rating of at least VII by A.M. Best or a rating acceptable to the County. In addition, the Successful Bidder/Offeror shall agree to give the County a minimum of 30 days prior notice of any cancellation or material reduction in coverage.

Workers' Compensation

Statutory Virginia Limits

Employers' Liability Insurance - \$100,000 for each Accident by employee
\$100,000 for each Disease by employee
\$500,000 policy limit by Disease

Commercial General Liability

\$1,000,000 each occurrence including contractual liability for specified agreement
\$2,000,000 General Aggregate (other than Products/Completed Operations)
\$2,000,000 General Liability-Products/Completed Operations
\$1,000,000 Personal and Advertising injury
\$ 100,000 Fire Damage Legal Liability

Business Automobile Liability – including owned, non-owned and hired car coverage

Combined Single Limit - \$1,000,000 each accident

Umbrella Liability

\$2,000,000 Per Occurrence and in the aggregate

Additional Requirements

In addition to the requirements above, the Successful Bidder/Offeror shall thoroughly review the scope of work that is included and if any of the following are included in the services that will be provided, the following additional insurance will be required, if required:

- Professional Liability - \$2,000,000 Per Occurrence (or limit in accordance with Statute for Medical Professional)**
Required if the Scope includes providing advice or consultation including but not limited to; lawyers, bankers, physicians, programming, design (including construction design), architects & engineers and others who require extensive education and/or licensing to perform their duties.
- Cyber Liability - \$2,000,000 Per Occurrence**
Required if the Scope includes the collection and electronic transmittal of Personal Health Insurance (PHI), or any other demographic data on individuals including but not limited to Name, Address, Social Security Numbers or any other sort of personally identifying information.
- Abuse and Molestation Coverage - \$1,000,000 Per Occurrence**
Required if the scope of work includes the offering of professional or non-professional services to any child or student where one on one contact or consultation is to be provided.
- Pollution Liability - \$1,000,000 Per Occurrence**
Required if the scope of work involves the use (other than in a motor vehicle) or removal of a substance or energy introduced into the environment that potentially has an undesired effect or affects the usefulness of a resource. These include, but are not limited to Asbestos, PCB's, Lead, Mold, and Fuels.
- Explosion, Collapse & Underground Coverage (XCU)**
Required of a Contractor in limits equal to the General Liability Limit when the Scope includes any operations involving Blasting, any work underground level including but not limited to wires, conduit, pipes, mains, sewers, tanks, tunnels, or any excavation, drilling, or similar work.
- Builders Risk Coverage**
Required if the scope of work includes the ground up construction of a structure. Limit of insurance shall be 100% of the completed value of the structure. For projects for the renovation of an existing structure, The County shall insure the Builder's Risk with the Contractor being responsible for the first \$10,000 of any claim.
- Other as Specified Below**

NOTE 1: The commercial general liability insurance shall include contractual liability. The contract documents include an indemnification provision(s). The County makes no representation or warranty as to how the Bidder/Offeror's insurance coverage responds or does not respond. Insurance coverages that are unresponsive to the indemnification provision(s) do not limit the Bidder/Offeror's responsibilities outlined in the contract documents.

NOTE 2: The intent of this insurance specification is to provide the coverage required and the limits expected for each type of coverage. With regard to the Business Automobile Liability and Commercial General Liability, the total amount of coverage can be accomplished through any combination of primary and excess/umbrella insurance. This insurance shall apply as primary insurance and non-contributory with respect to any other insurance or self-insurance programs afforded the County of Henrico and Henrico County Public Schools. This policy shall be endorsed to be primary with respect to the additional insured.

NOTE 3: Title 65.2 of the Code of Virginia requires every employer who regularly employs three or more full-time or part-time employees to purchase and maintain workers' compensation insurance. If you do not purchase a workers' compensation policy, a signed statement is required documenting that you are in compliance with Title 65.2 of the Code of Virginia.

NOTE 4: The Certificate Holder Box shall read as follows:
County of Henrico
Risk Management
PO Box 90775
Henrico, VA 23273

ATTACHMENT F
Direct Contact with Students Form

Name of Offeror: _____

Pursuant to Va. Code § [22.1-296.1](#), as a condition of awarding a contract for the provision of services that require the contractor, his employees or subcontractors to have **direct contact with students** on school property during regular school hours or during school-sponsored activities, the school board shall require the contractor to provide certification that all persons who will provide such services have not been convicted of a felony or any offense involving the sexual molestation or physical or sexual abuse or rape of a child.

Any person making a materially false statement regarding any such offense shall be guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor and, upon conviction, the fact of such conviction shall be grounds for the revocation of the contract to provide such services and, when relevant, the revocation of any license required to provide such services.

As part of this submission, I certify that the employees of, or subcontractors to, the above mentioned contractor that will be providing services that require direct contact with students to the School Board under the resulting contract will have not been convicted of a felony or any offense involving the sexual molestation or physical or sexual abuse or rape of a child. Furthermore, I understand that the duty to certify is ongoing and extends to future employees and employees of subcontractors for the duration of the contract.

Signature of Authorized Representative

Printed Name of Authorized Representative

Printed Name of Offeror
(if different than Representative)