ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION/REPORT

The District President recommends the Board of Trustees approves a contract for the purchase of software products, services, and training from Turnitin, LLC., for the District.

BACKGROUND

This contract for software products, services, and training will provide formative feedback, originality checking services, and promote critical thinking to ensure academic integrity and help students improve their writing skills across disciplines Districtwide and will be implemented by the Technology Services Department.

Reference Number SCON-100692 was issued to track the volume spend of the purchase of software products, services, and training for the District. Turnitin, LLC. has a contract through the Omnia Partners cooperative purchasing program to provide software products, services, and training, Contract Number 01-104. The contract complies with the competitive procurement requirements outlined in Section 44.031 of the Texas Education Code, as permitted through Section 791.011 of the Texas Government Code.

IMPACT OF THIS ACTION

The software products, services, and training that are being used for this request will provide instructors with the tools to engage students in the writing process, provide personalized feedback, and assess student progress over time.

BUDGET INFORMATION (INCLUDING ANY STAFFING IMPLICATIONS)

This purchasing request is for spend authorization of \$122,763, which is budgeted in the Technology Services Department's FY24 operating budget. FY23 annual spend was \$56,237.

MONITORING AND REPORTING TIMELINE

The contract term is September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024.

RESOURCE PERSONNEL

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