

To: RIMSD 41 Board of Education

From: Dr. Sharon Williams

Cabinet Champion: Alicia Sanders, Director of Student Services

Date: June 10, 2025

Re: NCS Pearson Renewal

It is recommended that the Board approve NCS Pearson as a renewal vendor for purchasing educational materials and assessments district-wide. The District orders from Pearson because they are a leading vendor in standardized psychological and educational assessments. Many of the assessments the District relies on are exclusive to Pearson, making them an essential resource for our needs. Pearson also offers one of the largest, if not the largest selections of testing instruments and rating scales in the industry. In addition, we utilize their digital scoring platform, which streamlines our assessment process. Our orders include IQ tests, academic assessments, speech evaluations, and social-emotional rating scales, all of which are integral to supporting student development and academic progress across the district.

Investment Period: July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026 Total Investment: Not to exceed \$35,000

Funding Source: IDEA and Head Start Budgets