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II.K.1.k Student Assignment Process (Purchase(s))

The *Smart Choice* online software application was purchased to integrate with the newly implemented Student Information System (SIS), Synergy. The Student Placement System will be utilized district-wide. Smart Choice will be used for all oversubscribed programs executed over the criteria of the USP application and selection process for magnet schools/programs and for open enrollment. The District needed a comprehensive management student placement system that, at a minimum, could store applications and other data (including test scores, IEPs, special needs, etc.) necessary for placement of a student at some school other than their "home" attendance-boundary school, and know which programs are available at which schools that would allow such placement.

The Request for Proposals No. 16-59-C20 was electronically sent to 476 vendors using the District on-line bidding service, AZPurchaseing.org. Two (2) vendors submitted proposals for consideration and one-hundred nineteen (119) vendors submitted no-bids. The Request for Proposals was also posted on the AZPurchasing.org website during the entire solicitation period. Proposals were evaluated and scored by an evaluation committee.

The District selected a multi-term contract beginning upon award, with yearly renewal options through 12/21/2020, for a term no longer than five (5) years. The estimated cost is \$60,000.00 for year 1, \$20,000.00 per year for years 2 – 5, with a total cost for the five-year contract estimated at \$140,000.

Fiscal Year 2016 – 2017 will cover the Launch Payment and Final Payment and annual licensing costs.