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MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable School Board Members

FROM: Kendra Goodman, CPPB, Purchasing Agent

RE: READ 180 Technical Support Plan, 2008-2009 School Year
Scholastic Inc.

Since 2005, the District has had a technical support plan for READ 180 in place with Scholastic Inc. This plan includes phone and e-mail support, web chat, on-line support, and software maintenance updates. Please reference the attached memo from Ms. Monica Verra, Director of Exceptional Student Education (ESE), for further information.

Services during the past year have been satisfactory. Therefore, Scholastic was contacted, and has verified in writing (attached) that they are willing to renew the contract under existing terms and conditions for the 26 schools outlined in Ms. Verra's memo. The cost for support is \$2100 per school, and the term of the contract will be good through August 31, 2009, with funding obtained from the IDEA Part B Grant.

The services covered under this contract are considered technology resources, and therefore, are exempt from the competitive pricing requirements as outlined in DOE's Section 6A-1.012 (10).

We are requesting renewal of this technical support plan, and permission for the placement of purchase orders totaling \$54,950. The funding source is general funds. Should you have any questions regarding this request, or if I can be of further assistance, please feel free to contact Monica Verra at your earliest convenience.

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Attachments