

CAMBRIDGE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

135 Berkshire Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02141

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October 6, 2026

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

CONTRACT: Educational Services

RECOMMENDATION: That the School Committee approve a contract with the following vendor, funds to be provided in accordance with the budget reference listed below. Procurement procedures for this purchase have complied with Chapter 30B of the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Period of Contract</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Cambridge Housing Authority 362 Green St. Cambridge, MA 02139	7/1/26 – 6/30/27	\$231,632.00

DESCRIPTION: This contract is for the Cambridge Rindge & Latin Workforce Program, Summer College Immersion Program, and the Summer Literacy Program.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

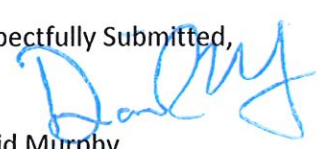
See attached supplemental for additional details.

SUPPORTING DATA, RULES OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE: Chapter II, Section 12..." motions calling for the appropriation or expenditure of money require the affirmative vote of four members."

BUDGET REFERENCE:

Account		Fund		Dept.	
55107	Instructional Services	15000	General Fund	830248 896248	CRLS/Cambridge Partners Superintendent/Cambridge Partners

Respectfully Submitted,


David Murphy
Superintendent of Schools

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: Cambridge Housing Authority

Purpose: For CPS students to continue to take part in the Workforce Program, Summer College Immersion Program, and the Summer Literacy Program.

Amount of Contract: \$231,632.00

Description/Scope of Services:

Summer College Immersion Program (SCIP)

The Work Force Summer College Immersion Program (SCIP) will prepare rising high school seniors who live in Cambridge Housing Authority (CHA) housing for the SAT and the requisite steps of the college application and selection process. With a maximum capacity of up to 25 students, the program will offer six-weeks of daily testing prep in both Math and English, as well as a college-level writing course. Every Thursday, students will visit two colleges in the New England region, enhancing their understanding of what various colleges have to offer, and what type of college might provide the best fit for their social, financial, and academic needs. Participants will be required to complete the summer program with a finalized draft of their college essay. The program will be conducted at the Work Force Program site at the Jefferson Park Development.

Summer Learning Literacy Program (SLLP)

The SLLP serves both as a bridge into The Work Force and as a literacy enrichment program that helps prepare CPS students for the demands and expectations of high school. After participating in SLLP, students will continue building on their summer literacy work through The Work Force during the school year. Since The Work Force now provides eleven years of coaching, mentoring, and support; SLLP represents one step in a long-term investment in students' academic and professional futures.

The Workforce Program

The Work Force has emphasized building students' strengths rather than addressing deficits, supporting achievement across the places where participants live, learn, and work. This is a comprehensive educational enrichment, work-readiness, and college preparation program for low-income teens living in Cambridge public housing. The goal of the program is to build a broad web of support across individuals and institutions, giving teens a consistent model of adult collaboration. Weekly after-school life-skills workshops, led by program Teacher-Counselors, build competencies tied to personal empowerment, self-advocacy, educational achievement, and economic mobility. Participants also gain exposure to paid after-school exploratory jobs and internships with a diverse range of local public- and private-sector employers.