

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH EDUCATIONAL SPECIALTIES, INC.  
FOR CONSULTING SERVICES**

**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING:**

Approve entering into an agreement with Educational Specialties, Inc. to provide consulting services to the Office of Instruction and School Management at a cost not to exceed \$719,000.00. Consultant was selected on a non-competitive basis because of the unique administrative services it can provide to the

Board. A written agreement for Consultant's services is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to Consultant prior to the execution of the written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written agreement is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below:

**Consultant:** Educational Specialties, Inc.  
9923-27 S. Wood Street  
Chicago, IL 60616

(773) 445-1000  
Elois Steward  
Vendor # 41806

**User:** Office of Instruction and School Management  
125 South Clark Street  
Chicago, IL 60601  
Attn: Kristine Rull  
(773) 553-2150

**TERM:** The term of this agreement shall commence on August 1, 2004 and shall end July 31, 2005 with two (2) options to renew for periods of one year each.

**EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT:** The Board shall have the right to terminate this agreement with 30 days

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** The M/WBE goals for this contract include: 35% total, 22% total African American, 10% total Hispanic, 8% total Asian and 5% total WBE. However, the Minority Business

Committee recommends that a partial waiver of the M/WBE participation goals for this contract be

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Independent Consultant \$50,000

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Independent Consultant \$35,000

2106 S. Home Ave.  
Berwyn, IL 60402

**LSC REVIEW:** Not applicable.

**FINANCIAL:** Charge to: Office of Instruction and School Management: \$719,000.00