

STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES
Contract for Moodle Hosting Services
FY 2018-19

Request: The State Board is asked to approve an amount not to exceed \$375,000 for a six-month extension to the contract for the Moodle® hosting services contract with Remote-Learner US, Inc. to provide Moodle learning management system (LMS) software and support services for the NCCCS colleges that choose Moodle as their primary LMS. This six-month extension will allow the time needed to transition colleges to a new Moodle SaaS hosting vendor.

Strategic Plan Reference:

Theme: Student Interest and Access

Goal #1: Increase the percentage of North Carolinians, particularly within underserved populations, pursuing and easily accessing education or training through North Carolina community colleges.

- Objective 1.3: Identify and reduce access barriers for all prospective students, particularly among underserved populations.
 - Strategy 1.3.2: Promote more flexible scheduling and instructional delivery formats to reach non-traditional students.

Background: In June 2018 (Attachment FC 02), the State Board of the Community Colleges (SBCC) awarded Blackboard, Inc. with a three-year contract for Moodlerooms, for the period from July 16, 2018-July 15, 2021, for an amount not to exceed \$2,682,225. During the contract period, NCCCS has the ability to amend the contract within the State requirements to remove individual line items to reduce cost over the three-year period. Implementation of Moodlerooms began on July 16, 2018.

The current contract for Moodle hosting services with Remote-Learner US, Inc. expires August 31, 2018. An extension is requested to provide a smooth transition from Remote-Learner to Blackboard. It is necessary to provide hosting services with both vendors for an overlapping period to provide continuous services to the colleges during the migration period.

The following 35 colleges are included in the Moodle Cloud hosting contract.

Alamance Community College
 Asheville Buncombe Technical Community College
 Bladen Community College
 Blue Ridge Community College
 Brunswick Community College
 Caldwell Community College & Technical Institute
 Carteret Community College
 College of The Albemarle
 Craven Community College
 Davidson County Community College
 Edgecombe Community College

Guilford Technical Community College
Haywood Community College
Isothermal Community College
James Sprunt Community College
Lenoir Community College
Mitchell Community College
Nash Community College
Pamlico Community College
Pitt Community College
Randolph Community College
Richmond Community College
Roanoke-Chowan Community College
Robeson Community College
Rockingham Community College
Sampson Community College
Sandhills Community College
South Piedmont Community College
Southeastern Community College
Surry Community College
Tri-County Community College
Vance-Granville Community College
Wayne Community College
Wilkes Community College
Wilson Community College

Method of Procurement: In accordance with the procurement practice of the State of North Carolina, approval is being sought by outside purchasing authorities. Approval of the contract by the State Board is contingent upon approval by the State Department of Information Technology Contracts and Strategic Sourcing.

Contract Amount and Time Period: The total cost for this six-month contract extension is not to exceed \$375,000.

Fund Source and Availability: This contract is funded from the FY 2018-19 State General Fund appropriation.

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