



Procurement & Contracts

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PROCUREMENT AND
CONTRACTS WEBSITE

For comments, questions
or additional information,
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Technology

1. A new catalog has been loaded for Tech Depot. The catalog content has been customized for CPS.
2. A new catalog has been loaded for Office Depot. The catalog replaces the current catalog loaded in 2007.
3. Going forward catalogs from Vendors will be loaded only on a quarterly basis.

Default Board Report Number & Contract Number on Requisition Lines:

Effective **February 1, 2008**, The Purchasing Department will automatically default both the Board Report Number & Contract Number onto the Requisition Lines for Strategic Sourcing Suppliers.

This system change will allow Purchasing to associate a Purchase Order Number to a specific contract number.

If the Board Report and contract are no longer valid the following error message will display: "The contract for the selected supplier may not have been signed or may have been end-dated. Please contact your local Business Service Center for further instructions."

When this error message is displayed the system will not allow the Requisition to be created. If you encounter this error message, please contact your local Business Service Center. The Business Service Center will work with the Purchasing Department to resolve this issue.

Contract Administration

Printing and Reprographic Services

All Printing & Graphics, Inc., Berland Printing, Inc., K & M Printing, Inc., Gem Acquisition Company, Inc. d/b/a/ Gem Business Forms have been selected by the Board to enter into a contract for Printing and Reprographic Services. This agreement expires December 31, 2009. Board Report No. [07-1219-PR1](#)

Solid Waste Disposal and Recycling Services

Allied Waste Transportation Inc., d/b/a Allied Waste Services of Chicago has been selected by the Board to enter into a contract for Solid Waste and Recycling Services. This agreement expires on December 31, 2012. Board Report No. [07-1219-PR2](#).

Building Automation System Installation Services

Quantum Crossings, L.L.C. and Windy City Electric have been selected by the Board to enter into a contract for Building Automation System Installation Services. This agreement expires on December 31, 2010. Board Report No. [07-1219-PR5](#).

Purchase and Lease of Desktop and Laptop Computers and Warranty Services.

The contract awarded to Apple Computer, Inc. and Dell Marketing L.L.P has been amended to exercise the second option to renew. This option expires on June 30, 2008. Board Report [07-1219-PR7](#).

Software License and Services Agreement

The contract awarded to Maximus, Inc. has been amended to exercise the first option to renew. This option expires on September 30, 2008. Board Report [07-1219-PR8](#).

Local Area Network System Improvement Services

The contract awarded to Sentinel Technologies has been amended to exercise the second option to renew. This option expires on June 30, 2009. Board Report [07-1219-PR10](#).

Media Management Solution and Basic Maintenance

The contract awarded to Central Audio-Visual Equipment, Inc. has been amended to exercise the first of two existing agreements. This option expires on September 30, 2009. Board Report [07-1219-PR11](#).

Wireless Network Interface Card (NIC) Support and Basic Maintenance Services

The contract awarded to Sun Microsystems has been amended to exercise the second option to renew. This option expires on June 30, 2009. Board Report [07-1219-PR13](#).

Purchase and Lease of Desktop and Laptop Computers and Warranty Services

The contracts awarded to Apple Computer, Inc. and Dell Marketing L.L.P expired on June 30, 2008. Vendors have been selected and contracts are currently being negotiated. Departments or schools that desire to purchase Apple or Dell Computers during contract negotiations may do so up to \$25,000. To purchase computers during contract negotiations you must contact Craig Holloway at 553-2903. However, you will not be allowed to lease computers until the new contracts are signed. For leasing information contact TechXL at 553-3925. A notice will appear in Headlines and Deadlines once the contracts are finalized.

Contact: [Craig Holloway](#) at 773-553-2903 for questions or clarifications.

Strategic Sourcing

Contract Updates

Hallagan Business Machines

6850-6854 W. North Ave
Chicago, IL 60607

Contact: Joan Hallagan – Phone(773) 637-0368
Vendor Number: 19766

Risograph/Copier Equipment

Any questions should be directed to Jacqueline Daly at 773-553-2274.

Vendor Management

Important Information:

Recently, numerous Chicago Public Schools have placed and received orders from Vendors without an approved Purchase Order. This is not in accordance with Chicago Public Schools Procurement Policy. Please be aware that payment for these unapproved requisitions will not be guaranteed.

Student Planners:

As previously reported, the Chicago Public Schools Procurement and Contracts Department & the Communications Department are evaluating new options for the purchase of student planners (agendas). We are happy to announce that a limited pilot program is scheduled to get underway for the 2008-2009 fall school year, at selected school locations.

Presently, there is no contract in place between Chicago Public Schools and any company to provide student planners to our schools. With this in mind, below you will find a list of companies that sell customized student planners as well as standard student planners at various prices. Shop around for a student planner that meets your budget.

Action Agendas – 1-800-388-2919 – www.actionagendas.com/

Day Timer – www.daytimer.com/collections/studentcollections/0/False/1

Harcourt –1-800-278-5165 – www.harcoutoutlines.com/studentplanners.cfm

Mead – 1-800-936-9811 – www.mead.com

Meridian Planners – 1-888-724-8512 – www.meridianplanners.com/

Premier Agendas – 1-800-447-2024 – mferris@premieragendas.com

Quality Planners – 1-800-869-4158 – www.qualityplanners.com/

School Date Books–1-800-705-7526 – www.schooldatebooks.com/

School Planners 1-800-370-2129

www.schoolplanners.com/schoolplanner/index.asp

For addition information contact, Felicia D. Carwell Commodity Manager at 773-553-2289.

Special Offers

Staples Recycles for Education Program

Staples Contract Division welcomes Chicago Public Schools to Staples Recycle for Education Program. Staples makes it easy to raise money for your school. Just collect used ink or used laser toner cartridges and Staples will take care of the rest. Not registered yet? Do it now! For more information click here:

<http://www.staplesrecycleford.com>

Office Depot's Discount Purchase Program for Chicago Public Schools Employees

We are proud to announce a new Office Depot Discount Purchase Program for CPS employees that will allow CPS employees to obtain a 10% discount (in all retail stores and retail online) when purchasing products for their personal use. This

discount is over and above the regular retail store and retail website prices on most Office Depot products.

THESE DISCOUNTS ARE NOT DISCOUNTS FROM (OR IN ANY WAY ASSOCIATED WITH) THE CHICAGO PUBLIC SCHOOLS CONTRACT PRICING.

Apply online for your card at:

https://odams.officedepot.com/registrations/cps_welcome.html

Educational Supply News:

Office Depot offers an expanded assortment of not only office supplies but also educational supplies that bring solutions to the classroom. With Office Depot as a contract holder for school supplies for CPS they are one source for all your classroom needs. You will never run out of ideas to keep students engaged and your classroom operating efficiently. Office Depot broad assortment of products includes everything you need from classroom management, arts and crafts to professional development, technology and everyday classroom supplies. They now carry products from Scholastic, Evan Moor, Carson Dellosa and Creative Teaching to name a few of the quality educational resources that they carry.

They also have products that meet grant requirements. Office Depot continues to add products that you need to their educational assortment, many of which can qualify for grant funding. Products such as math and literacy guides, puzzles, word tiles, activity books and box programs are available through Office Depot. If you need additional information or more catalogs, please email darlene.moeller@officedepot.com .

Used Textbooks

If you have textbooks that are no longer used at your school, we would like to post this information in the Newsletter for schools that may be interested. Please contact [Lee Saulter](#) at 773-553-2989 with your information.

Vendor of the Month

Lippert, Inc.
600 West 172nd Street
South Holland, IL 60473
Contact person: David Wax
Vendor #44636
Phone: 708-333-6900

Lunchroom Equipment and Supplies.

Someone You Should Know in Purchasing

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Directs and works with the technology staff in identifying cost effective solutions, completing technology tasks, and identifying and implementing business and technology projects for the department of procurement and contracts.

The technology and business analysis group performs the following functions:

1. Support Oracle's Procurement applications – includes iProcurement, iSupplier portal and Purchasing.
2. Work with suppliers on technology integration projects with iProcurement to provide users with catalogs and punch-outs and for electronic delivery of purchase orders and acknowledgements.
3. Maintain and enhance both the external and internal web sites for purchasing.
4. Design, build and support web based applications specific to purchasing to assist users both in the central offices and in schools (Board Report Finder, Solicitations, Supplier Lists, CPO Request Application, Vendor Management applications).
5. Design and develop custom reports.
6. Provide technology review and requirements for RFP's and RFQ's.
7. Coordinate tasks with the Office of Technology Services for issue resolution and enterprise wide initiatives.
8. Commodity and data analysis of procurement spend on goods and services.
9. Research and re-engineer business processes within the department.
10. Research new technology solutions that would benefit the department.

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