




David Douglas School District

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To: David Douglas School Board

From: Patt Komar, Director of Administrative Services 

Subject: Approval of Sole Source Contract with OverDrive, Inc.

Under ORS 297B.075, for sole source procurements, a local contracting review board may award a contract without competition if the board determines in writing, in accordance with ORS 279A.065, that the goods and/or services are available from only one source.

The District wishes to award a contract, without competition, to OverDrive, Inc. to provide a series of services and digital content materials that would enable the District to lend popular audiobooks, eBooks, digital textbooks, streaming video and other digital content via a library website. OverDrive's app (Sora) for school users offers students their digital library anytime, anywhere with one-tap reading, assignments, notes and highlights, badges, reading stats and age-appropriate local library collections.

Notably, the District's research indicates that OverDrive, Inc. is the only library eBook vendor who can provide access to eBook titles in the proprietary Amazon Kindle format.

Therefore, on the basis of ORS 297B.075(2)(d), i.e., that findings support the conclusion that the goods or services are available from only one source, the District is requesting a sole source approval for OverDrive, Inc. to provide digital content via a library website.

The District is also requesting that the Board authorize future renewals of this contract, provided that the District's research continues to find that OverDrive, Inc. is the sole source of these services.

Board Chair Approval

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