



PROCUREMENT JUSTIFICATION FORM (PJF)

This form must accompany all contract requests and sole source requisitions (RQS) over \$5,000 submitted to the Office of State Procurement Services.

PART I: OVERVIEW			
Department Office/Division/Program:		Office of Special Services and Inclusive Education	
Department Contract Administrator or Grant Coordinator:		Stacey Bean	
(If applicable) Department Reference #:		N/A	
Amount: (Contract/Amendment/Grant)	\$ 85,000.00	Advantage CT / RQS #:	20250130*1838
CONTRACT	Proposed Start Date:	1/6/2025	Proposed End Date: 6/30/2026
AMENDMENT	Original Start Date:		Effective Date:
	Previous End Date:		New End Date:
GRANT	Project Start Date:		Grant Start Date:
	Project End Date:		Grant End Date:
Vendor/Provider/Grantee Name, City, State:		Maine Parent Federation Augusta, ME 04330	
Brief Description of Goods/Services/Grant:		Assist Department in the support of inclusionary programming in Maine schools	

PART II: JUSTIFICATION FOR VENDOR SELECTION			
Check the box below for the justification(s) that applies to this request. (Check all that apply.)			
<input type="checkbox"/>	A. Competitive Process	<input type="checkbox"/>	G. Grant
<input type="checkbox"/>	B. Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/>	H. State Statute/Agency Directed
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	C. Single Source/Unique Vendor	<input type="checkbox"/>	I. Federal Agency Directed
<input type="checkbox"/>	D. Proprietary/Copyright/Patents	<input type="checkbox"/>	J. Willing and Qualified
<input type="checkbox"/>	E. Emergency	<input type="checkbox"/>	K. Client Choice
<input type="checkbox"/>	F. University Cooperative Project	<input type="checkbox"/>	L. Other Authorization

Please respond to ALL of the questions in the following sections.

PART III: SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

1. Provide a more detailed description and explain the need for the goods, services or grant to supplement the response in Part I.

Family engagement and support are key to implementation of inclusive programming for students with disabilities in local school communities. The Maine Parent Federation (MPF) services are necessary to assist the Office of Special Services & Inclusive Education in support of inclusionary programming in Maine schools including but not limited to Maine Positive Behavior Interventions & Supports (PBIS) and Math4ME programs.

It is necessary for the department to engage with families and family organizations to develop supports for schools and community partners to better provide services and programming for students with disabilities in inclusive settings.

2. Provide a brief justification for the selected vendor to supplement the response in Part II. Reference the RFP number, if applicable.

One required component of the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) funded state personnel development grants (SPDG) is to engage and contract with the state's Parent Training and Information Center (PTI). In Maine, that organization is the Maine Parent Federation (MPF). The Maine DOE Office of Special Services & Inclusive Education (OSSIE) currently is engaged in programming under a SPDG and MPF is the only PTI for the state.

3. Explain how the negotiated costs or rates are fair and reasonable; or how the funding was allocated to grantee.

The costs are comparable to other contracts doing similar types of work based on the expertise of the vendor.

4. Describe the plan for future competition for the goods or services.

Any future need for improvement work across the state will be discussed and then processed in accordance with State procurement policies and procedures.

PART IV: AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) / MAINE JOBS & RECOVERY PLAN (MJRP)

Does this request utilize ARPA/MJRP funds?

Yes, MJRP funds (023) – If Yes, please attach the approved Business Case(s).

Yes, ARPA funds (025) – If Yes, please be aware of the requirements from awarding federal agencies.

No – If No, proceed to Part V.

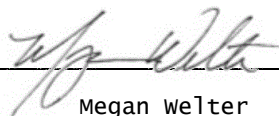

PART V: CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (COI); CONTRACT WITH THE STATE

Maine law contains Conflict of Interest statutes directed to State Departments, State Officers, and Employees Generally under MRS [Title 5, §18](#) and [§18-A](#), in harmony with MRS [Title 17, §3104](#).

The requesting department signatory understands and acknowledges Maine's Conflict of Interest statutes.

PART VI: APPROVALS

The signatures below indicate approval of this procurement request.

Signature of requesting Department's Commissioner (or designee):			
Typed Name:	Megan Welter	Date:	2/6/2025
Signature of DAFS Procurement Official:			
Typed Name:	Kathy Paquette	Date:	2/11/2025

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