



PROCUREMENT JUSTIFICATION FORM (PJF)

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

Table with 2 main sections: PART I: OVERVIEW and PART II: JUSTIFICATION FOR VENDOR SELECTION. Includes fields for Department Office, Amount (\$8,500.00), Vendor Name (Iris Gagne), and Description of Goods/Services.

Table for PART II: JUSTIFICATION FOR VENDOR SELECTION. Contains 12 justification options (A-L) with checkboxes. Option C (Single Source/Unique Vendor) is checked.

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.

PBIS (Positive Behavior Interventions & Supports) is expanding across the state of Maine. To build capacity and sustainability for Maine regions, last fall the Maine PBIS team through the University of Maine developed a train the trainer/coach micro-credential. The educators and administrators who applied for this opportunity went through a selection process and completed their training. They are now prepared to coach and train in Maine.

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

Maine PBIS in collaboration with the University of Maine developed a university sanctioned PBIS training & coaching micro-credential with associated graduate level coursework. This vendor successfully completed the micro-credential and coursework requirements and was also recommended by the faculty coordinating the trainer/coach courses. She has worked on the first training year of this program and has now agreed to do the second training year.

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

For each school that the coach works with, they will spend approximately a minimum of 30 hours a year. The coaches will also travel to the schools. This is a rate of \$125 and hour which is appropriate for consulting and coaching work of this type and would also include their travel expenses and any materials/supplies needed.

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

The PBIS coach contracts will be for one year – we need to have some flexibility for next year.

**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:	Daniel A. Chuhta	Date:	7/15/2024
Signature of DAFS Procurement Official:			
Typed Name:	Kathy Paquette	Date:	9/4/2024

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