AURORA YOUTH SERVICES

AFTER-SCHOOL & SUMMER PROGRAMMING RFP 25-163

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HISTORY OF AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS

- ► -Prior to 2010, Youth Services provided "in-house" programming directly w/our school partners
- Cities in Schools Aurora was our main provider of after-school & summer programming since 2010
- ▶ -After-school programs funded through gaming tax (Quality of Life).
- ► -CISA provided after-school programs "My Time" for COA until spring of 2025.

HISTORY OF SUMMER PROGRAMS

- Summer Camps were run by CISA since 2010, until 2024
- ▶ Downtown Aurora camp established in 2022, directly under Youth Services' staff
- ▶ -Summer camps funding from general funds.
- Due to CISA closing their doors, there was an opportunity to conduct to Request for Proposals (RFP) for these youth programs.
- ▶ -RFP opened early June 2025, window closed June 20, 2025

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

- ▶ -With a large gap from CISA closing their doors, COA Youth Services sought a new partner that can provide both after-school & summer programs.
- ▶ -RFP would focus on a sole provider that can manage multiple sites, citywide, does not focus on a specific content area, can prove long-term commitment to programs, established partnerships w/local school districts, and much more.

SUBMITTED PROPOSALS

- ▶ -5 total vendors submitted proposals
- ▶ 1. APS Training Institute*
- ▶ 2. Boys & Girls Club of North Central Illinois*
- ▶ 3. NextWave STEM
- ▶ 4. Stem Learning LLC dba Nexplore
- ▶ 5. YMCA of Metropolitan Chicago*
- *Indicate top 3 scored proposals

SCORING CRITERIA

EVALUATION TABULATION RFP No. 25-163

Youth After-School & Summer Programming Provider

Criteria	Scoring Method	Weight (Points)		
Mandatory Requirements/Eligibility	Points Based	20 (16.7% of Total)		

Description:

Does the vendor meet all mandatory requirements to provide youth programming under the scope of work?

Entity has a wide variety of programming and does not specialize in a particular type of programming.

Criteria	Scoring Method	Weight (Points)	
Capability and Capacity	Points Based	20 (16.7% of Total)	

Description:

Does the vendor understand all objectives, requirements, and able to meet timelines?

Criteria	Scoring Method	Weight (Points)
Managerial and Staff Capability	Points Based	20 (16.7% of Total)

Description:

Past performance, expertise, key personnel, and references.

Criteria	Scoring Method	Weight (Points)	
Collaboration	Points Based	20 (16.7% of Total)	

Description:

Description of programs, relationship to school districts, program costs per youth, resources leveraged.

EVALUATION TABULATION

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SCORING CRITERIA CONTINUED...

Criteria	Scoring Method	Weight (Points)		
Overall Policies and Procedures	Points Based	20 (16.7% of Total)		

Description:

Are policies and procedures that ensure safety of all youth and staff involved addressed? This includes, but not limited to, child protection protocols, medical, safety, emergency procedures, staff to student ratio, bathroom policy, background check/finger printing of staff and volunteers, hiring and orientation training, mandated reporter training, reporting critical incidents, confidentiality, facility requirements, and anything else related to youth programming.

Criteria	Scoring Method	Weight (Points)		
Cost Criteria	Points Based	20 (16.7% of Total)		

Description:

Total cost of the implementation of the project and the total cost for the camps provided.

SCORING RESULTS

▶ Top 3 vendors

Vendor	Mandatory Requirements/Eligibility Points Based 20 Points (16.7%)	Capability and Capacity Points Based 20 Points (16.7%)	Managerial and Staff Capability Points Based 20 Points (16.7%)	Collaboration Points Based 20 Points (16.7%)	Overall Policies and Procedures Points Based 20 Points (16.7%)	Cost Criteria Points Based 20 Points (16.7%)	Total Score (Max Score 120)
Boys & Girls Clubs Of North Central Illinois	19.5	16.5	18.8	17	20	13.5	105.25
APS Training Institute	15.8	17.3	17	18.3	18.3	6.8	93.25
YMCA of Metropolitan Chicago	13.3	13.3	16	14.9	17.9	8.8	84

DECISION FACTORS



- ▶ Boys & Girls Club was selected as the most responsible vendor for this agreement
- ▶ -BGC already has established programming in WA 129 (6 sites) & opened 14 new sites in EA 131 in Aug. 2025
- ► -BGC flexibilities/abilities to adjust programming as needed, as evident during summer 2025 summer camps.
- BGC robust child protection plans, capacity & history to oversee city-wide programs, & diverse funding streams

OVERVIEW OF AGREEMENT

- ► -Boys & Girls Club will provide the following on behalf of the Youth Services division:
 - ▶ -20 after-school programs for both EA 131 & WA 129
 - ▶ 4 summer camp sites (d131, d129, d204, d308)
 - ▶ Theatre summer camp (city-wide)
 - ▶ Downtown Aurora summer camp (4 sites)
- ► -Budget not to exceed \$583,000* for remainder of 2025, and Spring/summer 2026.

OVERVIEW OF AGREEMENT

- -\$226,000 remaining for after-school programming in 2025 (normally \$150,000 per semester)
- -Additional \$76,000 for start-up funds for fall 2025 programs (14 new sites in EA).
- -Option to extend additional 2, 1-year terms. Budget not to exceed \$507,000 for year 2(Fall 2026- Summer 2027) & year 3 (Fall 2027-Summer 2028)

PRESENTATION

