

**Name of Proposed Contractor:** Aiesha Rahn

Initial Date of Posting This Public Notice: 6/4/2018

NDE Contract Number: 39046

Contract Amount: \$38,000

Scope of Services: Provide coaching, training and conducting Step Up to Quality program ratings.

Dates of Contract: 7/1/18-6/30/19

Public Employee or Public Official Relationship: Aiesha is an Adjunct Professor at Metro Community College.

NDE Team Responsible for the Contract: Early Childhood

Email address and phone number for contacting responsible team:

[melody.hobson@nebraska.gov](mailto:melody.hobson@nebraska.gov); (402/471-0263)

**Name of Proposed Contractor:** Rebecca Dunlap-Morton

Initial Date of Posting This Public Notice: 6/4/2018

NDE Contract Number: 39047

Contract Amount: \$46,000

Scope of Services: Provide coaching, training and completing program quality observations.

Dates of Contract: 7/1/18-6/30/19

Public Employee or Public Official Relationship: Rebecca is an online Adjunct Instructor at UNK and Northwestern College and spouse is an Executive Director and Chief Information Security Officer at UNL.

NDE Team Responsible for the Contract: Early Childhood

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**Name of Proposed Contractor:** Dimensions Educational Research Foundation

Initial Date of Posting This Public Notice: 6/4/2018

NDE Contract Number: 39048

Contract Amount: \$3,000

Scope of Services: Use of classrooms for NDE to conduct ERS and CLASS reliability and practice training observations.

Dates of Contract: 7/1/18-6/30/19

Public Employee or Public Official Relationship: Board member, Marjorie Kostelnik, is a Senior Associate to the President University of Nebraska.

NDE Team Responsible for the Contract: Early Childhood

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**Name of Proposed Contractor:** Gina DeFreece

Initial Date of Posting This Public Notice: 6/4/2018

NDE Contract Number: 39049

Contract Amount: \$49,500

Scope of Services: Provide coaching, training and conducting program quality observations.

Dates of Contract: 7/1/18-6/30/19

Public Employee or Public Official Relationship: Spouse is a Director of Elementary Education & Early Childhood at Millard Public Schools.

NDE Team Responsible for the Contract: Early Childhood

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**Name of Proposed Contractor:** Elizabeth Tonniges

Initial Date of Posting This Public Notice: 6/6/2018

NDE Contract Number: 39051

Contract Amount: \$7,400

Scope of Services: Provide project management support for the Instructional Materials-Professional Development project.

Dates of Contract: 7/1/18-12/31/18

Public Employee or Public Official Relationship: Elizabeth is an Administrative Coordinator at LPS.

NDE Team Responsible for the Contract: Teaching & Learning

Email address and phone number for contacting responsible team:  
[cory.epler@nebraska.gov](mailto:cory.epler@nebraska.gov); (402/471-3240)

**Name of Proposed Contractor:** Leah Merkwan

Initial Date of Posting This Public Notice: 6/13/2018

NDE Contract Number: 39058

Contract Amount: \$49,500

Scope of Services: Provide coaching and training services.

Dates of Contract: 7/1/18-6/30/19

Public Employee or Public Official Relationship: Leah is a Coach at UNL.

NDE Team Responsible for the Contract: Early Childhood

Email address and phone number for contacting responsible team:  
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**Name of Proposed Contractor:** Educare of Lincoln, Inc.

Initial Date of Posting This Public Notice: 6/6/2018

NDE Contract Number: 39052

Contract Amount: \$3,000

Scope of Services: Provide classrooms for NDE to conduct ERS and CLASS reliability and practice training observations.

Dates of Contract: 7/1/18-6/30/19

Public Employee or Public Official Relationship: Board members are employed by the following:

Bryan Seck, Prosper Lincoln;  
Jane Stavem, Lincoln Public Schools;  
Marjorie Kostelnik, UNL;  
Becky Veak, Lincoln Comm Foundation

NDE Team Responsible for the Contract: Early Childhood

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**Name of Proposed Contractor:** Nebraska Career Education and Innovation Foundation

Initial Date of Posting This Public Notice: 6/15/2018

NDE Contract Number: 38445

Contract Amount: \$30,000

Scope of Services: Manage the development of materials for the onboarding of Career Education Permit and Provisional Teachers to prepare them to teach during their first year.

Dates of Contract: 6/25/18-3/1/19

Public Employee or Public Official Relationship: Board members are employed by the following:

Ramona Schoenrock, UNL, Lecturer  
Kathleen Kennedym, Central Valley Public Schools, Teacher  
Rachel Wise, Nebraska State Board of Education Board Member  
Jon Cerney, Bancroft-Rosalie Public Schools, Superintendent  
Michael Chipps, Northeast Community College, President  
Greg Adams, Nebraska Community Colleges Association, Director

NDE Team Responsible for the Contract: Teaching & Learning

Email address and phone number for contacting responsible team:  
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**Name of Proposed Contractor:** Nebraska Children & Families Foundation

Initial Date of Posting This Public Notice: 6/19/2018

NDE Contract Number: 38447

Contract Amount: \$15,000

Scope of Services: Oversee a third-party review of the NDE's 2017-2026 Strategic Vision and Direction (strategic plan).

Dates of Contract: 6/27/18-12/31/18

Public Employee or Public Official Relationship: Board members are employed by the following:

Sara Woods, Executive Associate to the Senior Vice Chancellor for Community Engagement, UNO  
Liliana Bronner, Instructor and Clinical Education Manager, Family Medicine Dept., UNMC  
John Ewing, Douglas County Treasurer  
Helen Raikes, Professor at UNL  
Anne Steinhoff, Spouse of State Senator John Stinner, District 48  
Mike Wortman, Principal, Lincoln High School

NDE Team Responsible for the Contract: Commissioner's Office

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**Name of Proposed Contractor:** Center for Rural Affairs

Initial Date of Posting This Public Notice: 6/20/2018

NDE Contract Number: 39069

Contract Amount: \$2,500

Scope of Services: Provide supporting partnership activities as part of the National Farm to School Network (NFSN) grant.

Dates of Contract: 7/1/18-10/31/19

Public Employee or Public Official Relationship: Board members are employed by the following:

Joe Blankenau, Professor, Wayne State  
Krista Dittman, Adjunct Faculty, UNL

NDE Team Responsible for the Contract: Nutrition Services

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**Name of Proposed Contractor:** Westminster Presbyterian Church of Lincoln

Initial Date of Posting This Public Notice: 6/22/2018

NDE Contract Number: 39045

Contract Amount: \$3,000

Scope of Services: Use of classrooms for NDE to conduct ERS and CLASS reliability and practice training observations.

Dates of Contract: 7/1/18-6/30/19

Public Employee or Public Official Relationship: Board members are employed by the following:

Erika Schafer, Assistant Staff Attorney Nebraska Supreme Court  
Marijane Hancock, Professor at UNL

NDE Team Responsible for the Contract: Early Childhood

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**Name of Proposed Contractor:** Monica Shambaugh

Initial Date of Posting This Public Notice: 6/27/2018

NDE Contract Number: 39075

Contract Amount: \$28,000

Scope of Services: Serve as School Safety Specialist assisting with security assessments.

Dates of Contract: 7/9/18-6/28/19

Public Employee or Public Official Relationship: Spouse is an Administrator with DHHS.

NDE Team Responsible for the Contract: School Support & Services

Email address and phone number for contacting responsible team:  
[diane.stuehmer@nebraska.gov](mailto:diane.stuehmer@nebraska.gov); (402/471-1740)

**Name of Proposed Contractor:** William Price

Initial Date of Posting This Public Notice: 6/27/2018

NDE Contract Number: 39076

Contract Amount: \$13,000

Scope of Services: Serve as School Safety Specialist assisting with security assessments.

Dates of Contract: 7/9/18-6/28/19

Public Employee or Public Official Relationship: William is a Nebraska State Patrol Officer and spouse works for Nebraska State Probation office.

NDE Team Responsible for the Contract: School Support & Services

Email address and phone number for contacting responsible team:  
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