

STATE OF WASHINGTON
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SOLE SOURCE ADVERTISEMENT

The Office of Financial Management/Education Research and Data Center (ERDC) contemplates awarding a sole source contract to the National Student Clearinghouse (Clearinghouse) for a one year period to assist OFM in reporting the outcomes of students from Washington high schools and post-secondary institutions.

The Clearinghouse provides a nationwide, central repository of information on the enrollment status and educational achievements of postsecondary students. Participating educational institutions submit to the Clearinghouse information on the enrollment statuses of all of their students and listings of the alumni to whom they have awarded degrees or certificates. They appoint the Clearinghouse as their agent, and Authorized Representative, for purposes of reporting student information to authorized recipients.

ERDC produces three annual reports that report the outcomes of students from Washington high schools and post-secondary institutions: The Career Technical Education report is required by the US Department of Education for Perkins funding; the High School Feedback Report provides post-secondary enrollment and completion information to high schools and school districts for their graduates; and the Earnings for Graduates report provides post-secondary enrollment information to public two-year and four-year institutions in Washington.

The Clearinghouse was created to streamline the time-consuming and complex enrollment reporting process for student borrowers. They work with the nation's colleges and universities to simplify and automate student record verifications. The Clearinghouse has grown to a network of more than 3,600 colleges and universities. Colleges and universities provide enrollment and completion information for students so customers can verify enrollment and degree information.

The contract will be issued on or about June 7, 2016.

Vendors who believe they possess the same experience and capabilities, and meet the same requirements as the Clearinghouse, are required to submit capability statements detailing their ability to meet the state's requirements within five (5) business days of this announcement. In the absence of other qualified sources, it is the state's intent to make a sole source award of the contract.

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