# **Report to the MVWSD Board of Trustees**

## Request for Proposal Process: Expanded Learning Opportunities Program

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#### **Background:**

Since 2022, the district has offered students in grades TK-6 who are English Learners or who qualify for Free or Reduced Price Lunches free after school care and up to 30 days of non-school day care, according to the requirements of the program requirements of the Expanded Learning Opportunities Program (ELOP or ELO-P), first established by legislation in 2021. ELOP currently funds programs that serve students across all campuses. The district currently has ELOP contracts with childcare providers Right At School LLC and the YMCA of Silicon Valley, and it also utilizes ELOP funds to operate on a smaller scale via the in-house after school program, Beyond the Bell.

In February-March 2025, the district utilized a Request for Proposals (RFP) process to determine ELOP contract award(s) for the 2025-26 school year.

### **Request for Proposal Process:**

- Feb 3: published RFP on district webpage and began question period
- Feb 17: published <u>questions and answers</u>
- Feb 28: deadline for submissions
- Mar 3-21: review period
- Mar 24: award date (pushed back from original date of Mar 17 due to volume of responses)

#### **Review Criteria:**

As outlined in item 6 on the RFP, the Review Criteria were as follows:

- Program Design and Approach (25 points): Clear, evidence-based strategies for engaging students and improving academic and social-emotional outcomes.
- Experience and Qualifications (30 points): Proven track record of successful implementation of similar programs.
- Budget, Financial, and Staffing Viability (15 points): Reasonable, sustainable budget and staffing plan aligned with program activities.
- Evaluation and Accountability (15 points): A well-defined plan for tracking and reporting on program impact.
- Sustainability (15 points): Evidence of long-term sustainability beyond initial funding.

The following paragraph was also included with the criteria:

The District reserves the right to add, remove, modify, or establish additional evaluation points for each criterion. If the District determines that additional evaluation steps are required to make a selection(s), the District reserves the right to consider additional criteria. The District also reserves the right to make an award without discussion with any proposer after proposals are received.

## **Review of Proposals:**

MVWSD received fifteen proposals in response to the RFP.

The Review Team was made up of district staff with direct and diverse experiences related to after school care in general and ELOP specifically:

- Erika Navarro, MVWSD+ Supervisor
- Jennifer Nuñez Gonzalez, MVWSD+ Supervisor
- Arline Siam, Principal of Imai Elementary School
- Leticia Corcoran, Department Secretary, Federal, State, and Strategic Programs
- Geoff Chang, Director, Federal, State, and Strategic Programs

The team met to discuss the scoring process and then individually scored each of the fifteen proposals.

### **Scoring Results:**

Program	Program Design average (25 max)	Experience and Qualifications average (30 max)	Budget, Staffing, Financial average (15 max)	Evaluation and Accountability average (15 max)	Sustainability Average (15 max)	SUM OF AVERAGES (max 100)
YMCA	22.4	26.6	13.2	13.2	14.4	89.8
Think Together	22.6	25.8	11.8	12.6	12.4	85.2
Boys and Girls Club	21.2	25	11.8	12.2	11.2	81.4
EDMO	21.2	23	11.8	11.8	11.2	79
Forxa	18.4	20.6	9	10.4	11.2	69.6
Champions	21.6	22.8	8.8	11.4	11	75.6
Rising Stars	18.8	22	9.8	11.8	10.6	73
RAFT	17	22.8	8.2	11.8	10.2	70
Olimpico	17.6	21.6	9.2	12.2	9.4	70
Peninsula Bridge	15	23.4	7.4	12.8	9.2	67.8
Elevo	22.4	24.6	8	11.4	9.2	75.6
Right At School	20.4	18.4	12.4	9.2	9.2	69.6
Hokali	18.4	21.2	4.6	9.8	8.4	62.4
ASISA	12.4	13.6	6.4	5.4	5.4	43.4
Sprouts	11.2	13.8	5.2	7	4.8	42

### **Site Visits:**

Staff visited sites for two of the top three scoring proposals, Think Together, and Boys and Girls Club. YMCA was not visited for this purpose since they are an existing ELOP partner and we visit them regularly. The two visits took place on Wednesday, March 19 in Alum Rock School District (Think Together) and Oak Grove School District (Boy and Girls Club).

# **Recommended Contract Award:**

Based on the scoring results, site visits, and the needs of the school district, the team recommends YMCA of Silicon Valley be awarded the contract for Expanded Learning Opportunity Programs for the 2025-26 school year.