

# **Issue Paper**

DATE:

May 28, 2025

# **AGENDA ITEM (ACTION ITEM):**

Consider/Approve the contract with Emotional ABCs for SEB Interventionists use with students district-wide for the 2025-2026 school year.

# **APPLICABLE BOARD POLICY:**

01.1 - Legal Status of the Board

# HISTORY/BACKGROUND:

Emotional ABCs is an evidence based social-emotional learning (SEL) curriculum for Tier 2 and 3 instruction and intervention. This curriculum contains sequential workshops designed for teacher/counselor/SEB Interventionist led small group instruction. The lessons are interactive and teach children how to better understand and manage their emotions. This will be the third year of implementation of this curriculum.

# FISCAL/BUDGETARY IMPACT:

\$1,596.00 (Title IV)

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve the contract with Emotional ABCs for the 2025-2026 school year.

# **CONTACT PERSON:**

Janeal Mieczkowski, Director of District Wide Programs

Principal/Administrator

District Administrator

Superintendent

Use this form to submit your request to the Superintendent for items to be added to the Board Meeting Agenda.

Principal—complete, print, sign and send to your Director. Director—if approved, sign and put in the Superintendent's mailbox.

# **EMOTIONAL ABCS**

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# Quote

# **ADDRESS**

Janeal Mieczkowski Mental Health Consultant 1055 Eaton Drive Ft. Wright, KY 41017 QUOTE # 1407 DATE 05/27/2025

Emotional ABCs Premium Single User Subscription
One Year (365-day) Premium Single User Yearly Subscription
(includes access to all 3 years of Emotional ABCs Workshops and all other premium materials)

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Log-Ins will be sent to account administrators once payment is processed.

TOTAL

\$1,596.00

Payment made by Credit Card or ACH will be processed faster than payment made by check.

Accepted By

**Accepted Date** 



# THE KENTON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

1055 EATON DRIVE, FORT WRIGHT, KENTUCKY 41017 TELEPHONE: (859) 344-8888 / FAX: (859) 344-1531 WEBSITE: www.kenton.kyschools.us Dr. Henry Webb, Superintendent of Schools

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- c) A taxpayer identification number that incorporates a Social Security number;
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The vendor hereby agrees to report to the KCBOE, immediately and within twenty-four (24) hours, any known reasonably believed instances of missing data, data that has been inappropriately shared, or data taken off site.

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310 295-4138
Vendor Telephone
Schools@EmotionalABCs.com
Vendor Email Address
Ross Brodis
Signature by Vendor's Authorized Representative
Ross Brodie, CEO, Emotional ABCs
Print Name
5/27/2025
Date

**Emotional ABCs** 

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Services and provision of student data through the Services is compliant with any obligations you and your Educational institution have under applicable laws, including, without limitation, the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act. If at any point in time you are no longer employed at or no longer have permission to use the Services from your Educational Institution, you agree that you will notify us immediately and cancel your account. Teacher Accounts are free and are offered in our sole discretion and we reserve the right to decline to issue, cancel, or change the terms and/or conditions of any or all Teacher Accounts at any time for any reason. Free Teacher accounts may be limited to a fixed number of free logins per month.

#### 13. PAID PREMIUM GROUP ACCOUNTS:

Paid Premium Group accounts ("PG accounts") are purchased by schools one classroom, or more, at a time for an entire year in advance and do not autorenew. If Purchase Orders are used, Emotional ABCs will only send sign-ins once payment has been received and processed. PG accounts allow up to 30 student sign-ins per classroom and 2 instructor accounts. Account Administrators or instructors will each be given a sign in with their own email and password and the instructors or the Account Administrator will create a student roster of up to 30 students. Student Usernames (nicknames) are created by instructors or School Administrators and do not need any student personal identifying information. Teachers will then be able to sign students into their individual accounts or using a QR code or a link. There is no student email address taken or any way for Company to contact Student Users. Instructors or Account Administrators will be able to email parents or adult guardians to allow parents/guardians to sign student Users into their account from home, subject to these Terms and Conditions. No advertisements will be served on the site. Company does not contact Student Users for any reason. Company has no way to contact Student Users as Company has no identifying information other than the user "nickname" and cookie information. PG account holders and Users represent and warrant that they have obtained written permission and consent for all Student Users to use the service from the Student User's parent or legal guardian and agree to defend and hold Company harmless from any breach of this warranty.

#### 14. FREE PARENT PREVIEW:

Complementary parent site previews, if offered on the site, may allow Parents to preview the site, site videos and selected site features before purchasing a regular Parent account. Users accessing the free Parent preview agree to be bound by all the terms and conditions herein, as well as Company's Privacy Policy incorporated herein by reference.

#### 15. SCHOOL AUTHORITY:

Only adults who purchase the Service with a credit card or other permitted payment method are permitted to open an account. Student Users or visitors under eighteen (18) years of age, may use our Service only with the involvement and consent of a parent, legal guardian, or at the direction of the Student User's School. Schools may impose additional policies regarding the use of our Service, with which you must comply.

Users that open an account to provide the Service to students in a School, hereby represent and warrant (i) User is an authorized representative of the School with the authority to bind the School to this Agreement, and (ii) User agrees to this Agreement on the School's behalf. Users contacting

Company to take any action with respect to an account represent and warrant that they have all necessary authority to request such action(s) from or on behalf of the accountholder (e.g., a School or Parent). In addition, Schools warrant and represent that no Personally Identifiable Information of students will be provided to Company and that account nicknames or passwords shall not include (a) any student's name; or (b) The name of any student's parent or other family members; (c) The address of the student or student's family; (d) Other indirect identifiers, such as the student's date of birth, place of birth, and mother's maiden name; (e) Other information that, alone or in combination, is linked or linkable to a specific student that would allow a reasonable person in the school community, who does not have personal knowledge of the relevant circumstances, to identify the student with reasonable certainty.

The U.S. Children's Online Privacy and Protection Act ("COPPA") requires that online service providers obtain verifiable parental consent before collecting Personal Information from children under 13. Any School providing the Service to children under 13, hereby represents and warrants it has the authority to provide consent on behalf of Parents for Company to collect information from Users or Visitors under 13 before allowing such Users to access our Service. Company recommends all Schools provide appropriate disclosures to students and parents regarding use of service providers such as Company and that they provide a copy of Company's Privacy Policy and Company's Student Data Privacy Pledge.

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