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Approval by the Board of Education of a Professional Services Contract between the District and Museum of Children's Art (MOCHA), Oakland, CA, for the latter to provide 210 hours of arts-integrated professional development and in-school programs which will include teachers gaining familiarity with engaging, educational art activities that help children hone important academic and development skills; teachers will develop effective, arts-based strategies for presenting curriculum that has multiple entry points into the learning process; teachers will increasingly recognize opportunities to use the arts to leverage learning in other curriculum areas and to use other curriculum areas to leverage learning in the arts; teachers will develop a comfort level with the tool, media, and skills necessary to teach visual literacy and/or be able to use a teaching artist as a more effective resource; teachers will learn appropriate ways to talk to children about their art making and to ask questions that foster reflection and cognitive development; throughout the District, Alameda County and the East Bay, we will help build a community that recognizes the importance of, implements and advocates for arts learning as a vital educational tool that can be employed across the curriculum; MOCHA teaching artists will have on-going opportunities to enhance their existing skills and develop new skills for teaching art, intergrating art across curriculum areas and working effectively in classroom and afterschool settings at International Community School, for the period of January 1, 2011 through June 30, 2011, in an amount not to exceed \$12,600.00.

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