

STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND OCCUPATIONAL EDUCATION

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TOPIC: YuJa, Inc. Accessibility Checker Test Environment Add On

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RELATIONSHIP TO THE “TRANSFORMING FUTURES” STRATEGIC PLAN:

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EXPLANATION:

In order to comply with Colorado HB 21-1110 recommending higher education institutions improve their web accessibility posture, CCCS purchased an accessibility checker software from YuJa, Inc. called Panorama. This tool is considered essential in complying with the bill. The accessibility checker software scans and reports on how accessible digital course content is in D2L. Additionally, it provides information to faculty and instructors on how to remediate the content and allows CCCS colleges to better meet web accessibility guidelines.

There are many configuration options within the YuJa Panorama platform that impact the accessibility scores. Colleges would like to be able to test the different configurations before making any updates and impacting the accessibility scores on instructors' documents and course content. The additional test environment, or sandbox, costs \$2,500 annually for each of the four remaining years of the contract.

Below outlines the annual costs that were approved by the board in February 2024 along with the test environment's additional \$2,500 annual cost.

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Total
TOTAL	\$116,400	\$116,200	\$116,200	\$116,200	\$116,200	\$581,200
Cloud-Hosted Panorama Enterprise Accessibility Platform Sandbox Instance		\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$10,000
NEW TOTAL	\$116,400	\$118,700	\$118,700	\$118,700	\$118,700	\$591,200

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board approves an increase of \$10,000, with a do not exceed total contract amount of \$591,200. Staff also recommends that the Board delegate contract signature authority to the System Vice President for Finance and Administration provided all State and Board processes are followed.