# THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

Request for Proposals (RFP): FY21-106 - School and Department Furniture

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#### PROCUREMENT & WAREHOUSING SERVICES MARY CATHERINE COKER, DIRECTOR

**Instructions to Proposers** 

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Dear Prospective Proposers,

SUBJECT:

6/25/2020

The School Board of **Broward County, Florida** 

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The School Board of Broward County, Florida (SBBC) is interested in receiving proposals in response to the attached RFP for School and Department Furniture. Any questions regarding this RFP should be addressed to the Purchasing Agent, in writing, at the address stated above, via facsimile at 754-321-0533 or via e-mail to al.shelton@browardschools.com. Once this solicitation is released to the General Public, the Cone of Silence (See General Condition 7.45) shall take effect. Any proposer, or lobbyist for a proposer, is prohibited from having any communications concerning any solicitation for a competitive procurement with any School Board member, the Superintendent, any Evaluation Committee Member, or any other School District employee after Procurement and Warehousing Services releases a solicitation to the General Public. All communications must go through the Purchasing Agent.

No other School Board or staff member(s) should be contacted in relation to this RFP. Any information that amends any portion of this RFP, which is received by any method other than an Addendum issued to the RFP, is not binding on SBBC.

In order to assure that your bid is in full compliance with all requirements of the RFP, carefully read all portions of the RFP document, paying particular attention to the following areas:

#### SUPPLIER DIVERSITY OUTREACH PROGRAM (SDOP) PARTICIPATION (See Section 4.4.4 & Attachment A)

SBBC has implemented a Small/Minority/Women Business Enterprise (S/M/WBE) Program as part of the SBBC's competitive solicitation and contracting activity in accordance with School Board Policy 3330 Supplier Diversity Outreach Program. The purpose of the program is to remedy the ongoing effects of identified marketplace discrimination that the School Board has found to adversely affect the participation of Small/Minority and/or Women Business Enterprises ("S/M/WBE") in School Board contracts. S/M/WBE vendors utilized for this contract must be certified by SBBC's Supplier Diversity Outreach Program Office before the submission of the bid proposal. For information on S/M/WBE Certification or Policy 3330, contact SBBC's Supplier Diversity Outreach Program at 754-321-0550 or visit http://www.browardschools.com/sdop.

#### **NON-MANDATORY BIDDERS' CONFERENCE**

A Proposers' Conference will be held on 7/6/2020, beginning at 10AM Eastern Time (ET), in the Technology and Support Services Center, Procurement and Warehousing Services, 7720 West Oakland Park Boulevard, Sunrise, Florida 33351-6704. Representatives from all interested companies are encouraged to attend.

#### REQUIRED RESPONSE FORM

Section 1, Required Response Form must be completed in full and executed by an authorized representative.

#### PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL FORMAT

Proposers are requested to organize their Proposals in accordance with Section 4. SBBC reserves the right to reject and not consider any Proposal not organized and not containing all the information outlined in Section 4.

#### **DUE DATE**

Proposals are due in the Procurement & Warehousing Services Department on the date and time stated in Section 3. In order to have your Proposal considered, it must be received on or before the date and time due. Proposals received after 2:00 p.m. ET on the date due will not be considered.

#### STATEMENT OF "NO BID"

If you are not submitting a proposal in response to this RFP, please complete Attachment M, Statement of "No Bid" and return via e-mail to harmoni.clealand@browardschools.com. Your response to the Statement of "No" Bid is very important to Procurement and Warehousing Services when creating future RFPs.

Thank you for your interest in SBBC. Again, if you have any questions please email me at the email address stated above.

Al Shelton Purchasing Agent



# REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) RFP FY21-106

# SCHOOL AND DEPARTMENT FURNITURE



RFP Release Date: 6/25/2020

Non-Mandatory Proposers' Conference: \* Monday, July 6, 2020

Written Questions Due: On or Before 5:00 p.m. ET

7/9/2020

in Procurement & Warehousing Services Department

Proposals Due: \* On or Before 2:00 p.m. ET

7/21/2020

in Procurement & Warehousing Services Department

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA Procurement & Warehousing Services Department 7720 W. Oakland Park Boulevard, Suite 323 Sunrise, Florida 33351-6704

NONDISCRIMINATION STATEMENT – POLICY 4001.1 The School Board of Broward County, Florida, prohibits any policy or procedure in discrimination on the basis of age, color, disability, gender identity, gender expression, genetic information, marital status, national origin, race, religion, sex or sexual orientation. The School Board also provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. Individuals who wish to file a discrimination and/or harassment complaint may call the Director, Equal Educational Opportunities/ADA Compliance Department & District's Equity Coordinator/Title IX Coordinator at 754-321-2150 or Teletype Machine (TTY) 754-321-2158.

#### **Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act of 2008**

Individuals with disabilities requesting accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) may call Equal Educational Opportunities/ADA Compliance Department at 754-321-2150 or Teletype Machine (TTY) 754-321-2158

<sup>\*</sup>These are public meetings.

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7720 West Oakland Park Boulevard, Suite 323 Sunrise, Florida 33351-6704

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

(RFP)

DUE DATE	E: This	proposal	must	be	submitted	to	the
Procureme	nt & W	arehousin	g Ser	vice	Departme	nt,	The
School Boa	rd of Bro	oward Cou	nty, Flo	orida	, 7720 W.	Oak	land
Park Blvd.,	Suite 3	23, Sunris	e, Flor	ida	33351-6704	lo	n or
before 2:00	p.m. Ea	stern Time	(ET):				

FY21-106

RFP NO.:

**RELEASE DATE:** 

**PURCHASING AGENT:** 

6/25/2020

Al Shelton 754-321-0520

RFP TITLE:

and plainly marked with the RFP number and title. Proposal(s) received, after the date and time stated above, shall not be considered for award. Faxed and/or emailed bids are not

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allowed and will not be considered for award.

Please sign all originals in blue ink.

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Note: Cost of Service should be submitted in a sealed envelope along with, but separate, from the remainder of the proposal.

One complete, original hard-copy Proposal (clearly marked as such), and one complete, original electronic version (both clearly marked as "original") will constitute the original governing documents. The electronic version in PDF on a Flash Drive must be IDENTICAL to the original Proposal, of the RFP Proposal, including this REQUIRED RESPONSE FORM fully executed and returned on or before 2:00 p.m. ET on the date due to the Procurement & Warehousing Services Department in accordance with the submittal requirements. In the case of any discrepancy between the original hard-copy Proposal and the copies, the original hard-copy Proposal will be the governing document. The proposal must contain all information required to be included in the Proposal as described herein. Completed Proposals must be submitted in a **SEALED** (envelope, package, box, etc.) with the RFP number and title clearly typed or written on the front of the envelope, package, box, etc.

SECTION 1 – REG	QUIRED RESPONSE FORM
NOTE: Entries must be completed in ink or typewritten. This original Required	d Response Form must be fully executed and submitted with this Proposal (see Section 4.1.4
Proposer's (Company) Name and state "Doing Business As", where applicable:	"REMIT TO" ADDRESS FOR PAYMENT: If payment(s) is/are to be mailed to address other than as stated on the left, please complete the section below. ☐ Check this box if the address is the same as stated on the left.
Address:	P.O. Address:
City:	City:
State: Zip Code:	State: Zip Code:
Telephone Number:	Contact Person:
Proposers Taxpayer Identification Number:	Contact Telephone Number:
E-Mail Address for PO:	Contact Person's E-Mail Address:
Pro	posal Certification
compared the Proposal with other Proposers and has not colluded with any other	oser) Proposal and am authorized by Proposer to do so. Proposer has not divulged, discussed, Proposer or party to any other Proposal; Proposer, its principals, or their lobbyists has not offered by Proposer or party to any other Proposal; Proposer, its principals, or their lobbyists has not offered by Proposer of the proposer of the proposer of proposer of the pro

contributions to School Board Members or offered contributions to School Board Members for campaigns of other candidates for political office during the period in which the Proposer is attempting to sell goods or services to the School Board. This period of limitation of offering campaign contributions shall commence at the time of the "cone of silence" period for any solicitation for a competitive procurement as described by School Board Policy 3320, Part II, Section GG as well as School Board Policy 1007, Section 5.4 - Campaign Contribution Fundraising. Proposer acknowledges that all information contained herein is part of the public record as defined by the State of Florida Sunshine and Public Records Laws; all responses, data, and information contained in this Proposal are true and accurate. Proposer agrees to complete and unconditional acceptance of the contents of all pages in this Request for Proposals (RFP), and all appendices and the contents of any Addenda released hereto; Proposer agrees to be bound to any and all specifications, terms, and conditions contained in the Request for Proposals, and any released Addenda and understand that the following are requirements of this RFP and failure to comply will result in disqualification of Proposal submitted.

Signature of Proposer's Authorized Representative	Date
Name of Proposer's Authorized Representative	Title of Proposer's Authorized Representative

#### SECTION 2 – INTRODUCTION AND GENERAL INFORMATION

2.1 <u>Introduction</u>: The purpose of this Request for Proposal (RFP) is to solicit proposals from qualified vendors wishing to provide fiurniture solutions, including furniture turn-key solutions, and products for School and Department Furniture delivery, installation, and other related services which are commonly used in various schools and departments of The School Board of Broward County. Types of furniture commonly used within the District include, but not limited to items within the following categories:

Classroom	Library	Office	Other
Bookcases	Audio Visual Carts	Cubicles	Folding Tables
Desks	Bookcases	Desks	Folding Chairs
Stools	Booktrucks	File Cabinets	Podiums
Tables	Carrels	Office Chairs	Room Dividers
Work Benches	Circulation Desks	Conference Room	
	Display Racks		
Cafeteria	Early Childhood	Theater and Performance	Outdoor
Booths	Area Rugs	Acoustical Shells	Trash Receptacles
Cabinets	Play Systems	Conductor Stands	Benches
Chairs	Storage	Music Chairs	Outdoor Tables
Stools	Desks	Music Stands	Picnic Tables
Tables		Portable Stages	
STEM			
Lab Furniture	Science Furniture	Specialty Classrooms/Labs	
Robotics	Collaborative Spaces		

2.2 Questions and Interpretations: Any questions concerning any portion of this RFP must be submitted, in writing, to Al Shelton, Procurement & Warehousing Services Department, at the address listed in Section 6.1 or via e-mail al.shelton@browardschools.com. Any questions which require a response which amends the RFP document in any manner will be answered via Addendum by the Procurement & Warehousing Services Department and provided to all Proposers. No information given in any other matter will be binding on SBBC.

Any questions concerning any condition or requirement of this RFP must be received in the Procurement & Warehousing Services Department, in writing, **on or before 5:00 p.m. ET 6/19/2020.** Questions received after this date and time may not be answered. Submit all questions to the attention of the individual stated above. If necessary, an Addendum will be issued. Any verbal or written information, which is obtained other than by information in this RFP document or by Addenda, shall not be binding on SBBC.

- 2.3 <u>Contract Term:</u> The purpose of this RFP is to establish a contract beginning upon execution of both parties for a period of three (3) years. The term of the contract may, by mutual agreement between SBBC and the Awardee, be extended for two additional one-year periods and, if needed, 180 days beyond the expiration date of the renewal period. Procurement & Warehousing Services Department, will, if considering renewing, request a letter of intent to renew from each Awardee, before the end of the current contract period. The Awardee will be notified when the recommendation has been acted upon by the School Board. <u>All costs shall be firm for the term of the contract, as stated in Section 2.4 of this RFP.</u> The Proposer agrees to this condition by signing its Proposal.
- 2.4 <u>Submittal of Proposal:</u> Submit Proposals in accordance with Section 4. Proposals should be organized and shall include the necessary information to be in full compliance with this Section. To facilitate the Proposal evaluation process, special attention should be paid to organizing Proposals in a manner consistent with Section 4. SBBC reserves the right to reject and

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not consider any proposal that is not submitted in accordance with Section 4 or that does not include any necessary information.

2.5 <u>Evaluation and Award:</u> All proposals received must meet the Minimum Eligibility Requirements as stated in Section 4.2 of the RFP in order to be further considered for evaluation. Failure to meet the Minimum Eligibility Requirements shall result in disqualification of the entire proposal and shall not be considered for further evaluation. Those proposals which meet the minimum requirements shall be further evaluated and scored by an Evaluation Committee. <u>General Condition 7.1, Liability, is NOT subject to negotiation and any Proposal that fails to accept these conditions will be rejected as "non-responsive".</u>

All responsive Proposals will be evaluated by the Evaluation Committee (hereinafter referred to as "Committee") based upon the information submitted by Proposers in response to Section 4 and in accordance with the evaluation criteria established in Section 5.1 for Category A.) Experience & Qualifications and Category B.) Scope of Services. Category C.) Presentation and Category D.) Minority/Women Business Participation will be evaluated and scored by the SBBC's Supplier Diversity Outreach Program staff. Based upon the evaluation of Proposals, the Committee will recommend Proposer(s) to SBBC for an award. The number of firms to be recommended is solely at the discretion of the Committee.

#### **SECTION 3 – CALENDAR**

6/25/2020 Release of RFP FY21-106

7/6/2020 \*Non-Mandatory Proposers' Conference

7/9/2020 Written questions due on or before 5:00 p.m. ET

in Procurement & Warehousing Services Department

7/21/2020 \*Proposals due on or before 2:00 p.m. ET

in Procurement & Warehousing Services Department.

Proposal opening will be at

7720 West Oakland Park Blvd., Suite 323,

Sunrise, Florida 33351-6704

8/3/2020 \*Evaluation Committee reviews proposals, demonstrations and

makes recommendation for award. Meeting to be held at: Procurement & Warehousing Services Department 7720 West Oakland Park Boulevard, Suite 323

Sunrise, Florida 33351-6704 at 10:00 a.m. ET and/or through communications media technology (CMT) – Video Conference via Microsoft

Teams\*\*.

8/5/2020 Posting of Recommendation

Individuals with disabilities requesting accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) may call Equal Educational Opportunities (EEO) at 754-321-2150 or Teletype Machine (TTY) 754-321-2158.

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<sup>\*\*</sup> SBBC will follow any applicable guidelines regarding CMT as defined by the State of Florida and as applicable for the date of the meetings and will also comply to all CDC and Florida State Guidelines for the COVID-19 panedmic.

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#### SECTION 4 – INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE SUBMITTED PROPOSAL

- 4.1 To maintain comparability and facilitate the review process, it is requested that Proposals be organized in the manner specified below. Include all the information requested herein in your Proposal.
  - 4.1.1 Title Page: Include RFP Number, subject, the name of the Proposer, address, telephone number, and date.
  - 4.1.2 **Table of Contents:** Include a clear identification of the material by section and by page number.
  - 4.1.3 **Letter of Transmittal:** Include the names of the persons who will be authorized to make representations for the Proposer, their titles, addresses, and telephone numbers.
  - 4.1.4 Required Response Form: (Section 1 of RFP) with all required information completed and all signatures as specified (blue ink preferred on original). Any modifications or alterations to this form shall not be accepted and Proposal will be rejected. The enclosed original Required Response Form will be the only acceptable form.
  - Notice Provision: Should your firm become an Awardee under this REP, please specify the name and address 4.1.5

4.1.5		rhom any notices should be sen	· · ·	with the Awardee:
	Name/Title, Address	and email address of Awarde	e's Representative for No	tices:
	With a Copy To: (Na	me/Title and Address)		
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Minimu	m Eligibility requirem	•	I only deliver Proposals	whether each Proposer meets the meeting the Minimum Eligibility
or exce	ed the following criteria ted below will result	a as of the opening date of the Pi in the disqualification of prop	roposal. <b>Failure to provic</b> <b>osal.</b> The Proposer is res	er evaluated, Proposer must meet le or clearly state the information ponsible for providing the following

- 4.2 Mi et or on re ηg information in its response. The Proposer must also include a statement of acknowledgement for each item below. The requested information below must be numbered as indicated below and be included in "this section" of your submitted proposal; do not place this information in any other section of your proposal.
  - 4.2.1 Proposer must meet or exceed the requirements of Section 7.1, Liability. Will your company meet or exceed the requirements as written in Section 7.1 for this contract? 
    Yes No Do not check both boxes.
  - 4.2.2 Local Representative within the Tri-County Area (Broward, Miami-Dade, Palm Beach).
  - 4.2.3 Proposer must submit all Discounts and Prices in the Bid Summary Sheet provided by SBBC (Attachment K).
- 4.3 State under what other or former name(s) the Proposer is currently operating under or has operated under.

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Evaluation Criteria - (Proposer Qualifications, Scope of Services, Costs of Services, Presentation, and S/M/WBE Participation): This section represents the information that will be utilized in the evaluation of Proposals received and assignment of points in accordance with the evaluation criteria established in Section 5.0 for Proposals submitted. Proposers are cautioned to read this section carefully and respond with full complete information that will assist the Evaluation Committee in evaluating Proposal submitted. Proposers are requested to respond in the format and organizational structure stated and to refrain from including promotional or advertising materials in their proposal. The maximum allowable points (See Section 5) that will be awarded for each section are stated. Failure to respond or incomplete responses to any evaluation criteria below will result in zero or reduced allocation of points for the criteria and may result in disqualification of the entire proposal.

- 4.4 <u>Evaluation Criteria</u> (Proposer Experience & Qualifications, Scope of Services & Performance Specifications, Costs of Services, and S/M/WBE Participation):
  - 4.4.1 Proposer's Experience & Qualifications (Maximum 25 allowable points)
    - 4.4.1.1 <u>Executive Summary</u> Submit a executive summary (abstract) stating the Proposer's understanding of the nature and scope of the services to be provided and the capacity and capability to comply with all terms and conditions of RFP. (**Up to 5 Points**)
    - 4.4.1.2 References (Atttachment J) Submit references as per Attachment J. Please include other Florida School Districts. (Up to 5 Points)
    - 4.4.1.3 <u>Supply Chain Strengths</u> Submit a letter detailing the strength of the Proposer's Supply Chain and how the Proposer has thrived during hardship times such as the Covid-19 Pandemic to stay competitive in today's market. Please state if you have any warehouses local in South Florida and local teams for installation (**Up to 5 Points**)
    - 4.4.1.4 <u>Good and Services Warranty</u> Submit a letter stating the Proposer's warranties for different manufacters, if applicable. Submit information on how Proposer would handle warranty claims. (Up to 5 Points)
    - 4.4.1.5 <u>Eco-Friendly Certifications</u> Submit proof of certifications, such as Greenguard and LEED, Proposer has regarding eco-friendly products that you sell or manufacture. **(Up to 5 Points)**

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4.4.2 Scope of Services & Performance Specifications – (Maximum 40 allowable points): The scope of services & performance specifications listed is minimum requirements. By providing a proposal, Proposer agrees to comply with the minimum Scope of Services & Performance Specifications. Proposers are instructed to indicate a response to ALL service requirements below and specifications contained in this section in the order listed using the same numbering system.

The inability or denial expressed in a proposal, or omission in the proposal, to offer to a comply, comply with deviations or no, cannot comply or provide with the technical requirements of this section of the RFP may result in deductions in the allocation of points by the Evaluation Committee.

#### Minimum Scope of Services & Performance Specifications

- A. Delivery Services Complimentary delivery and installation services on all Complete Classroom orders; includes working with on-site personnel to schedule the delivery, meet the truck upon arrival, coordinate with site contacts, assemble all furniture, place materials and organize each room to specification, as well as remove all debris associated with the project.
- B. Upon request, provide up-to-date "testing" documentation showing that and item meets current ASTM (American Society for Testing and Materials) requirements.
- C. Custom Cartoning & Labeling Boxes are labeled by site, by classroom and/or by teacher name so materials can be quickly inventoried and delivered to each location without error.
- D. Proposer must be able to provide the following
  - a. A catalog selection for Infant/Toddler, Early Childhood, Elementary and Special Needs furniture and learning environment components.
  - b. A catalog selection of equipment and related services used in special needs environments, including but not limited to the areas of speech/language, audiology, and orientation/mobility.
  - c. A catalog selection of educational materials and resources targeted to Infant/Toddler, Early Childhood, Elementary Grade Level, and Special Needs Learners, including targeted instructional categories such as STEM, Sensory, Social-Emotional, Language, Science, Math, and Social Studies.
- E. Proposer shall be capable of collaborating with schools to provide specific products and resources bundled to meet the needs of the school.
- F. Proposer shall provide consultations regarding proposed products and services, including but not limited to, classroom assessments as it relates to design, layout, furnishings, and materials; catalog correlations; and educational material tutorials.
- G. Proposer shall be able to meet with stake holders to formulate appropriate plans for procurement of furniture that meets the goals of the district this includes choice of product, design of use of the product, space planning, coordination of purchase and fulfillment based on your districts needs.
- H. Proposer shall be able to provide a wide array of outdoor furniture.
- I. Provide samples of classroom designs of innovative classrooms based on the following themes:
  - a. Esports (Esports is a form of sport competition using video games. Esports often takes the form of organized, multiplayer video game competitions)
  - b. Aviation
  - c. Podcasting/Shoutcasting
  - d. Studio and Enterntainment Media Spaces
  - e. Concierge/Hospitality
  - f. Marine Outboarding and Mechanics
  - g. Busincess and Office Spaces

The proposer must complete and submit the Bid Summary Sheet as provided with this RFP (Attachment K). Proposer must list all the Manufacturers for which it can sell and distribute its products. Proposer shall offer the GREATEST SINGLE-FIXED PERCENTAGE DISCOUNT and it be a whole number. For example, 12% is acceptable, 11.075% is not acceptable) from manufacturer's suggested retail price list (MSRP). Offering a percentage mark-up instead of discount shall result in disqualification of bid item.

**SINGLE FIXED PERCENTAGE DISCOUNT OFFERED**: Proposer should indicate in all spaces provided on the Bid Summary Sheet their single fixed percentage discount (**Must be a whole number. For example, 12% is acceptable, 11.075% is not acceptable)** for the indicated manufacturer's discount That will be used for the term of the contract. Single fixed percentage offered shall remain firm throughout the term of the contract. Supplies and Assets for the purpose of this bid shall be defined as:

- i. SUPPLIES: Any catalog item whose net price is under \$1,000.00.
- ii. ASSETS: Any catalog item whose net price is \$1,000.00 or more.

Proposers shall offer their single fixed percentage discount as described on the Bid Summary Sheet, to be calculated from the most current manufacturer's list price. Net pricing is acceptable. Awardees may offer SBBC additional educational discounts at any time and invoice SBBC at a greater discount than their bid discount.

Furthermore, Proposer must submit Letter of Authorization in Manufacturer's letterhead for every Manufacturer listed. Failure to submit Letter of Authorization by Manufacturer such Manufacturer will be considered as non-authorized by Proposer.

Moreover, Proposer shall specify all the items, under the Worksheet "List Price", all the items that Proposer represents from the Manufacturers listed.

Proposer must include in Bid Summary Sheet the hourly cost for installation, if applicable. Proposer must include if there is any minimum order quantity to qualify for free installation.

During the Term of this Contract, SBBC reserves the right to ask for quotes to the Awardees for common items purchased throughout the District. Pricing provided will expire at the anniversary, in which case SBBC will release subsequent request quotes and update the common items as needed. Such examples of common items are, but not limited too, folding chairs, student-desk combos, and cafeteria tables.

On the annual anniversary of the Contract Term, Awardees may update by adding or removing the list of Manufactures for which they are awarded. In order to add a new Manufacturer, Awardee must submit Letter of Authorization in Manufacturer's letterhead for every Manufacturer which Awardee wishes to add. Failure to submit Letter of Authorization by Manufacturer such Manufacturer will be considered as non-authorized by Awardee. Any addition/removal of a manufacturers must be approved by SBBC Procurement and Wahoursing Services in writing.

Award of this contract shall not be a guarantee of business, a guarantee of a specified volume of service or minimum dollar revenue to be received under this contract.

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4.4.4 S/M/WBE Participation: (Maximum 15 allowable points):

SUPPLIER DIVERSITY OUTREACH PROGRAM (SDOP): The SBBC has implemented a Supplier Diversity Outreach Program (SDOP) as part of the SBBC's competitive solicitation and contracting activity in accordance with School Board Policy 3330, Supplier Diversity Outreach Program and Guidelines. S/M/WBE is defined as an enterprise whose annual revenues and number of employees shall be no greater than fifty percent (50%) of the small business size standards for its industry(ies) as established by the U.S. Small Business Administration and meets significant business presence requirements as defined in Policy 3330. SBBC Diversity Policy 1.5 & Supplier Diversity Outreach Policy 3330 can be seen at website URL: broward.k12.fl.us/sbbcpolicies.

#### Nondiscrimination:

Each Bidder hereby certifies and agrees that the following information is correct: In preparing its response to this project, the Bidder has considered all proposals submitted from qualified, potential subcontractors and suppliers, and has not engaged in "discrimination" as defined in School Board Policy 3330 – Supplier Diversity Outreach Program, Section D.1.; to wit: discrimination in the solicitation, selection, or commercial treatment of any subcontractor, vendor, supplier, or commercial customer on the basis of race, color, religion, ancestry or national origin, sex, age, marital status, sexual orientation or on the basis of disability or other unlawful forms of discrimination. Without limiting the foregoing, "discrimination" also includes retaliating against any person or other entity for reporting any incident of "discrimination." Without limiting any other provision of the solicitation for responses on this project, it is understood and agreed that, if this certification is false, such false certification will constitute grounds for SBBC to reject the response submitted by the Bidder on this project, and terminate any contract awarded based on the response. As a condition of submitting a response to SBBC, the Bidder agrees to comply with SBBC's Commercial Nondiscrimination Policy as described under its School Board Policy 3330 – Supplier Diversity Outreach Program, Section D.1.

#### INDUSTRY-SPECIFIC REMEDIAL AFFIRMATIVE PROCUREMENT INITIATIVES

The Goal Setting Committee (GSC) has considered the following in the course of reaching a determination regarding which, M/WBE SBE industry-specific remedial programs shall be applied to this solicitation and resulting contract:

# The Affirmative Procurement Initiative (API) implemented in this solicitation is the <u>SBE Evaluation Preference for Prime</u> Bidders.

In accordance with SBBC Policy No. 3330, Section E.3.b. Under this Program element, on "Best Value" contract solicitations where low price is not the only factor considered in contract award, the GSC may reserve from fifteen percent up to a maximum of twenty percent (15%-20%) of the total available evaluation points for award to those prime bidders or respondents that are certified as SBEs.

- Proposers responding to this solicitation that are SBBC-Certified SBE will be awarded ten (10) points. The SBE
  Proposers who are self-performing must identify themselves by completing the Form 00470 and 00475. The Statement of
  Intent submitted with the proposal reflects the intent to self-perform. Additionally, it will detail the scope of work and dollar
  amount to perform (see Attachment A).
- Non SBBC Certified SBE Proposers committing to subcontracting eight percent (8%) or more of the total
  contract value to a certified SBE firm at the time of submission will be awarded five (5) points. The proposer shall
  identify each SBBC-Certified SBE firm, that will be utilized by completing the Form 00470 Statement of Intent to Perform
  as an SBE Subcontractor and Form 00475 Subcontractor Participation Schedule (see Attachment A).

#### NOTE: Points in both categories will not be combined.

A maximum of ten (10) points shall be awarded to SBBC Certified SBE Proposers who self performs a portion of the scope of work. Non-SBBC Certified Proposer who commits to subcontracting eight percent (8%) or more of the scope of work to a SBBC certified SBE will be awarded Five (5) points.

Please go to the following link to view the current list of SBBC-Certified firms: browardschools.com/Page/46981.

#### **Penalties and Sanctions**

In the absence of a waiver granted by the SDOP, the failure of a proposer to attain at minimum the five percent (5) subcontracting goal for SBE participation in the performance of its contract or otherwise comply with the provisions of this API shall be considered a material breach of contract, grounds for termination of that contract with the SBBC, and shall be subject to any penalties and sanctions available under the terms of the SDOP policy, its contract terms with the SBBC, or by law pursuant to the penalties and sanctions set forth in Section 13 of the Standard Operating Procedures for this Policy.

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#### Suspension

The temporary stoppage of a SBE firm's beneficial participation in the District's SDOP for a finite period of time due to cumulative contract payments the SBE firm received during a fiscal year that exceed a certain dollar threshold as set forth in Section (7) of the Standard Operating Procedures for this Policy or pursuant to the penalties and sanctions set forth in Section 13 of the Standard Operating Procedures for this Policy.

E TO PROPOSE	ER (s): Proposals will be evaluated based on the evaluation criterion below	Maximum Points
	Proposers responding to this solicitation that are SBBC-Certified SBE will be awarded ten (10) points. All SBBC Certified S/M/WBEs are considered SBEs. The SBE Proposers who are self-performing must identify themselves by completing the Form 00470 and 00475. The Statement of Intent submitted with the proposal reflects the intent to self-perform. Additionally, it will detail the scope of work and or percentage/dollar amount to performed (see Attachment A). Indicate the extent and nature of the firm's work with specificity, as it relates to the services as described in this RFP. If you are not a SBBC Certified SBE Proposer state N/A on the form and return it with your Proposal.	10
	Proposers committing to subcontracting eight percent (8%) or more of the total contract value to a certified SBE firm at the time of submission will be awarded five points (5). All SBBC Certified S/M/WBEs are considered SBEs.  The proposer shall identify each SBBC-Certified SBE firm, that will be utilized by completing the Form 00470 Statement of Intent to Perform as a SBE Subcontractor and Form 00475 Subcontractor Participation Schedule (see Attachment A). The Statement of Intent submitted with the proposal reflects the intent of the parties, both prime and subcontractor, to establish a business relationship. Additionally, it will detail the type of work and percentage of work that the subcontractor will perform.  Provide proof, in writing, that the SBE subcontractor is certified by The School Board of Broward County (SBBC), Florida. Any participation commitment by firms not certified with SBBC at the time the proposal is due will not count towards the points for this solicitation. If you are not a SBBC Certified SBE Proposer state N/A on the form and return it with your Proposal.	5
	MAXIMUM POINTS TO BE AWARDED	15
	*If awarded, the Awardee will be required to submit <i>Form 00485</i> - Small Minority or Women Business Enterprise (SBE) Monthly Utilization Report (Utilization Report) (see <b>Attachment A</b> ) to the Supplier Diversity Outreach Program Office which will track payments made. The timing of the Utilization Report shall coincide with invoice submission.  State your willingness to comply with this requirement.	Yes No

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#### 4.4.5 Presentation (Maximum 20 allowable points):

During the Evaluation Committee Meeting, every Proposer shall present on the following:

- What are value added services that the Proposer can bring forward to the District?
- What is the Proposer ability to furnish all sorts of classrooms and office spaces such as Science, Early Childhood, Special Needs, Physical Education, Art and Curriculum?
- How is the Proposer working towards modern classroom designs such as E-Sports Labs?

All presentations must not exceed 10 minutes and shall be superceded by a three minute Q&A from the Evaluation Committee Members, shall they have any questions. Proposers will present in alphabetical order. If Proposer fails to present, such Proposer will receive 0 Points in Section 4.4.5 Presentation.

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#### **SECTION 5 – EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS**

5.1 The Evaluation Committee (hereinafter referred to as "Committee"), shall evaluate all Proposals received, which meet or exceed Section 4.2, Minimum Eligibility Requirements and Section 7.1 Indemnification, according to the following criteria:

	CATEGORY	MAXIMUM POINTS
A.	Experience and Qualifications	25
B.	Scope of Services	40
C.	Presentation	20
D.	Supplier Diversity & Outreach Program	
	SBE Certified Prime Proposer	10
	Non-SBE Certified Prime Proposer Subcontracting 8% or more to SBE(s)	5
	TOTAL	100

A maximum of ten (10) points shall be awarded to SBBC Certified SBE Proposer who self performs a portion of the scope of work. Non-SBBC Certified Proposer who commits to subcontracting eight percent (8%) of the scope of work to a SBBC certified SBE will be awarded Five (5) points. Points in both categories will not be combined.

15-Point Table for	SBE Participation
SBBC Certified SBE Prime	10 Points
8% SBE Subcontracting	5 Points

Note: Evaluation points for "Category D" shall be provided by the Supplier Diversity Outreach Program Office.

Failure to respond, provide detailed information or provide requested Proposal elements may result in the reduction of points in the evaluation process. The Committee may recommend the rejection of any proposal containing material deviations from the RFP. The Committee may recommend waiving any irregularities and technicalities. If only one (1) responsive proposal is received, the Committee will proceed without scoring the one (1) responsive proposal and may negotiate the best terms and conditions with that sole proposer or may recommend the rejection of all proposals as permitted by Section 6A-1.012(12)(c), F.A.C."

The SBBC Supplier Diversity Outreach Program works to increase the participation of small, minority and women-owned business enterprises in construction and purchasing contracts. It is the intent of the School Board of Broward County to have a diverse group of vendors to participate in the procurement process. The current list of SBBC S/M/WBE-Certified firms can be viewed at: <a href="mailto:browardschools.com/Page/46981">browardschools.com/Page/46981</a>.

At the time of the bid submittal, the Bidder shall identify itself as an SBBC-Certified SBE firm, by completing the Form 00470 and Form 00475. Once awarded, the Bidder is required to submit the Monthly Utilization Report Form, #00485. The Bidder must also adhere to Section 9 and 13 of the SDOP Standard Operating Procedures, which is available at browardschools.com/Page/32544

- The Committee reserves the right to ask questions of a clarifying nature once Proposals have been opened, require presentations from all Proposers, interview any or all Proposers that respond to the RFP, or make their recommendations based solely on the information contained in the Proposals submitted. Presentations, if required, will be part of the evaluation process.
- 5.3 <u>Committee's Recommendation</u>. The number of firms to be recommended for an award is solely at the discretion of the Committee The Committee has the discretion to recommend an award to one or more proposer(s) or to reject any or all of the submitted proposals. The Committee also has the discretion to commence negotiations with ranked responsive proposers if the Committee chooses to do so. During any such negotiations, the Committee reserves the right to negotiate any term, condition, specification, or price (other than those found or specified in Section 4.2 and Section 7.1 of this RFP) during an exempt negotiations session with the highest ranked responsive proposer. Each ranked responsible proposer

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must be represented during its exempt negotiations session by an authorized representative possessing authority to bind the proposer to the changes made in their proposal. The Committee will recess the open public portion of the evaluation meeting and conduct the exempt negotiations session of the competitive selection process beginning with the highest ranked responsive proposer as determined under Section 5.1 of this RFP. In accordance with Section 286.0113(2), Florida Statutes, any negotiations session will be conducted to the exclusion of the other ranked responsive proposers. The Committee may choose to conduct one or more exempt negotiation session(s) with a ranked responsive proposer, the Committee shall reconvene the open public portion of the evaluation meeting and determine, by motion and a roll call vote, whether to recommend an award to one or more ranked responsive proposer(s). The Committee may declare an impasse with a ranked responsive proposer at any time; or to proceed with further negotiations with one or more of the next highest ranked responsive proposers. If the negotiations are not successful, the Committee reserves the right not to award a ranked proposer if it is in the best interest to SBBC.

Award: Proposers will be evaluated first as per Section 4.4.1 Experience and Qualifications, Section 4.4.2 Scope of Services, 4.4.4 S/M/WBE Participation, and 4.4.5 Presentation for a maximum of 100 points. It is SBBC's intention to recommend for award a pool of six (6) vendors with the highest score received. The Top 6 Proposers with the highest scores will be recommended for Award.

These Proposers must have complied with the terms, conditions, and specifications of the RFP. After the conclusion of negotiations (as stated above), the recommended award would be made for the services sought in this RFP in accordance with the terms of negotiations. An Agreement (in the form of the Sample Agreement attached hereto as **Attachment "E"**) shall be prepared for execution by the Awardee and SBBC, and shall be governed by the laws of the State of Florida, and must have venue established in the 17<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit Court of Broward County, Florida or the United States Court of the Southern District of Florida. This Agreement approved by the SBBC's General Counsel will be submitted to SBBC for final approval. **Approval shall not be a guarantee of business, a guarantee of specified volume of service or minimum dollar revenue to be received under this contract.** 

#### **SECTION 6 – SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

The complete original hard-copy Proposal properly completed and signed must be submitted in a sealed envelope and received **on or before 2:00 p.m. ET, 7/7/2020** at the following address in order to be considered. Please utilize **Attachment L.** 

PROCUREMENT & WAREHOUSING SERVICES DEPARTMENT The School Board of Broward County, Florida 7720 West Oakland Park Boulevard, Suite 323 Sunrise, Florida 33351-6704

Attention: FY21-106 - School and Department Furniture

One (1) complete, original hard-copy Proposal (clearly marked as such), and one (1) complete, original electronic version (both clearly marked as "original") will constitute the original governing documents. The electronic version in PDF on a Flash Drive must be IDENTICAL to the original Proposal. The proposal shall include any supplemental information/marketing materials), of the RFP Proposal, including the REQUIRED RESPONSE FORM (Section 1 of RFP), must be fully executed and returned on or before 2:00 p.m. ET on the date due to the Procurement & Warehousing Services Department in accordance with the submittal requirements. In the case of any discrepancy between the original hard-copy Proposal and the copies, the original hard-copy Proposal will be the governing document. The proposal must contain all information required to be included in the Proposal as described herein. Completed Proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope (package, box, etc.) with the RFP number and title clearly typed or written on the front.

- Gold Joint Ventures: In the event, multiple Proposers submit a joint proposal in response to the RFP, a single proposer shall be identified as the prime proposer. If offering a joint proposal, prime proposer must include the name and address of all parties of the joint proposal. Prime proposer shall provide all bonding and insurance requirements, execute any Contract, complete the REQUIRED RESPONSE FORM shown herein, have overall and complete accountability to resolve any dispute arising within this contract. Only a single contract with one Proposer shall be acceptable. Prime Proposer responsibilities shall include, but not be limited to, performing of overall contract administration, preside over other Proposers participating or present at SBBC meetings, oversee the preparation of reports and presentations, and file any notice of protest and final protest as described herein. Prime Proposer shall also prepare and present a consolidated invoice(s) for services performed. SBBC shall issue only one (1) check for each consolidated invoice to the Prime Proposer for services performed. Prime Proposer shall remain responsible for performing services associated with response to this RFP.
- 6.3 **INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS MINIMUM INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS** 
  - 6.3.1 **GENERAL LIABILITY:** Limits not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence for Bodily Injury/ Property Damage; \$1,000,000 General Aggregate. Limits not less than \$1,000,000 for Products/Completed Operations Aggregate.
  - 6.3.2 **PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY/ ERRORS & OMISSIONS:** Limit not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence covering services provided under this Agreement.
  - 6.3.3 **WORKER'S COMPENSATION:** Florida Statutory limits in accordance with Chapter 440; Employer's Liability limits not less than \$100,000/\$100,000/\$500,000 (each accident/disease-each employee/disease-policy limit).
  - 6.3.4 **AUTO LIABILITY:** Owned, Non-Owned and Hired Auto Liability with Bodily Injury and Property Damage limits of not less than \$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit. If Awardee does not own any vehicles, hired and non-owned automobile liability coverage in the amount of \$1,000,000 shall be accepted. In addition, an affidavit signed by the Awardee must be furnished to SBBC indicating the following:

\_\_\_\_\_ (Awardee Name) does not own any vehicles. In the event the insured acquires any vehicles throughout the term of this agreement, the insured agrees to provide proof of "Any Auto" coverage effective the date of acquisition.

6.3 INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS – MINIMUM INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS (Continued)

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6.3.5 **ACCEPTABILITY OF INSURANCE CARRIERS:** The insurance policies shall be issued by companies qualified to do business in the State of Florida. The insurance companies must be rated at least A- VI by AM Best or Aa3 by Moody's Investor Service.

- 6.3.6 **VERIFICATION OF COVERAGE:** Proof of Insurance must be furnished within 15 days of execution of this Agreement. To streamline this process, SBBC has partnered with EXIGIS RiskWorks to collect and verify insurance documentation. All certificates (and any required documents) must be received and approved by SBBC before any work commences to permit Awardee time to remedy any deficiencies. EXIGIS RiskWorks will send an email notification within three (3) business days after receipt of the award letter.
  - New vendors will receive an email notification requesting account verification and insurance agent information.
  - Existing vendors will receive an email notification of the current status.
- 6.3.7 **REQUIRED CONDITIONS:** Liability policies must contain the following provisions. In addition, the following wording must be included on the Certificate of Insurance:
  - 6.3.7.1 The School Board of Broward County, Florida, its members, officers, employees, and agents are added as additional insured.
  - 6.3.7.2 All liability policies are primary of all other valid and collectible coverage maintained by The School Board of Broward County, Florida.
  - 6.3.7.3 Certificate Holder: The School Board of Broward County, Florida, c/o EXIGIS Risk Management Services, P. O. Box 4668-ECM, New York, New York 10163-4668
- 6.3.8 **CANCELLATION OF INSURANCE:** Vendors are prohibited from providing services under this Agreement with SBBC without the minimum required insurance coverage and must notify SBBC within two (2) business days if required insurance is canceled.

The School Board of Broward County, Florida reserves the right to review, reject or accept any required policies of insurance, including limits, coverage's or endorsements, herein throughout the term of this agreement

#### 6.4 AWARDEE ACCOUNTING RECORDS AND RIGHT TO AUDIT PROVISIONS:

- Awardee's and Sub-Contractor's records shall include, but not be limited to, accounting records, payroll time sheets, audited and unaudited financial statements to substantiate payment rates and income, written policies and procedures, Sub-Contractor's files and any other supporting evidence necessary to substantiate payments and income related to this Agreement (all the foregoing hereinafter referred to as "records") shall be open to inspection and subject to audit and/or reproduction, during normal working hours, by SBBC's agent or its authorized representative to the extent necessary to adequately permit evaluation and verification of any invoices, payments or claims submitted by the Awardee(s) or any of his/her payees pursuant to the execution of the Agreement. Such records subject to the examination shall also include, but not be limited to, those records necessary to evaluate and verify payments and any other matters or items associated with this Agreement.
- 6.4.2 For the purpose of such audits, inspections, examinations and evaluations, SBBC's agent or authorized representative shall have access to said records from the effective date of this Agreement, for the duration of the work, and until five (5) years after the date of final payment by Awardee(s) pursuant to this Agreement. All payments which cannot be documented as paid as required by the Agreement and found not to be in compliance with the provisions of this Agreement shall be reimbursed to SBBC.

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#### 6.4 AWARDEE ACCOUNTING RECORDS AND RIGHT TO AUDIT PROVISIONS (Continued):

- 6.4.3 SBBC's agent or its authorized representative shall have access to the Awardee's facilities, shall have access to all necessary records, and shall be provided adequate and appropriate workspace, to conduct audits in compliance with this article. SBBC's agent or its authorized representative shall give audited firm reasonable advance notice of intended audits.
- 6.4.4 Awardee(s) shall certify that payments are accurate and correct on each and every payment. If an audit reveals discrepancies, such as an overpayment, the Awardee will be required to reimburse SBBC for the discrepancy with a minimum of eighteen percent (18%) per annum.
- 6.4.5 If an audit inspection or examination in accordance with this article, discloses overpayments (of any nature) to the Awardee(s) by SBBC in excess of ten percent (10%) of the total payments, the actual cost of SBBC's audit shall be paid by the Awardee as well as the overpayments by SBBC.
- 6.5 **W-9 FORM:** All Proposers are requested to complete their W-9, (see **Attachment D**), and submit with their Proposal.
- 6.6 **FLORIDA BIDDER'S PREFERENCE**: General Condition 7.2.4 does not apply to this RFP as no personal property is being purchased.
- 6.7 **COPYRIGHT INDEMNIFICATION:** SBBC agrees to notify Awardee promptly in writing of any threatened or pending judicial action brought against SBBC alleging <u>SBBC's</u> improper or unlawful use of any of the Services or Awardee Property, including but not limited to its infringement of a valid United States copyright law, patent or regulation (all such claims being referred to collectively herein as "Infringement Claims"). Awardee shall indemnify and defend the SBBC, including its board members, employees, and agents, against any and all of such Infringement Claims at its own expense and will pay (i) the legal fees of counsel engaged to defend SBBC and all of SBBC's related reasonable expenses, (ii) any costs and damages awarded against the SBBC in such action, and (iii) any amount agreed to be paid by SBBC in settlement of such action. Awardee's foregoing obligations are subject to and conditioned upon SBBC's full cooperation with Awardee in the defense of such Infringement Claims.

#### 6.8 **ACCEPTANCE AND REJECTION OF PROPOSALS:**

- 6.8.1 **Acceptance:** All Proposals properly completed and submitted will be evaluated in accordance with Section 2.1 and Section 5.1. SBBC reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals that contain material deviations from the RFP or that fail to meet all mandatory requirements. SBBC may reject any or all Proposals when it serves the best interest of SBBC.
- SBBC also reserves the right to waive irregularities or technicalities in any Proposal received if such action is in the best interest of SBBC. However, such a waiver shall in no way modify the RFP requirements or excuse the Proposer from full compliance with the RFP specifications and other contract requirements if the Proposer is awarded the contract.
- 6.8.3 **Rejection:** A Proposal may be rejected if it does not conform to the rules or the requirements contained in this RFP. Examples for rejection include, but are not limited to, the following:

#### 6.8 ACCEPTANCE AND REJECTION OF PROPOSALS (Continued):

- The Proposal is time-stamped at the Procurement & Warehousing Services Department after the deadline specified in the RFP.
- 6.8.3.2 Failure to execute and return the enclosed original **REQUIRED RESPONSE FORM** as defined in Subsection 4.1.4 (see Section 1- Required Response Form).
- 6.8.3.3 Failure to respond to all subsections within the RFP.
- 6.8.3.4 Proof of collusion among Proposers, in which case all suspected Proposals involved in the alleged collusive action shall be rejected, and any participants to such collusion shall be barred from future procurement opportunities until reinstated.
- 6.8.3.5 The Proposal shows non-compliance with applicable laws or contains any unauthorized additions or deletions, is a conditional Proposal, is an incomplete Proposal, or contains irregularities of any kind, which make the Proposal incomplete, indefinite, or ambiguous as to its meaning.
- The Proposer adds provisions reserving the right to accept or reject an award or to enter into a contract pursuant to an award or adds provisions contrary to those in the RFP.
- 6.8.3.7 In the best interest of SBBC, the Board reserves the right to reject any or all proposals received when there is sound documented business reasons that serve the best interest of SBBC.
- 6.9 **VENDOR REGISTRATION:** To become a registered vendor for SBBC, vendors <u>must access</u>, <u>complete and submit</u> a Supplier Profile Questionnaire (SPQ) through SBBC's new eProcure Online Supplier Portal, powered by Ariba which can be located at: <a href="http://schoolboardofbrowardcounty.supplier.ariba.com/register">http://schoolboardofbrowardcounty.supplier.ariba.com/register</a> Training materials are available via our website at <a href="https://www.browardschools.com/PWS">https://www.browardschools.com/PWS</a> (if needed).
- 6.10 NONDISCRIMINATION STATEMENT POLICY 4001.1 The School Board of Broward County, Florida, prohibits any policy or procedure in discrimination on the basis of age, color, disability, gender identity, gender expression, genetic information, marital status, national origin, race, religion, sex or sexual orientation. The School Board also provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. Individuals who wish to file a discrimination and/or harassment complaint may call the Director, Equal Educational Opportunities/ADA Compliance Department & District's Equity Coordinator/Title IX Coordinator at 754-321-2150 or Teletype Machine (TTY) 754-321-2158.
- 6.11 **PRE-QUALIFICATION:** In the event that the District requires Awardee to be pre-qualified, Awardee must complete pre-qualification process within 20 days from notice.

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#### SECTION 7 – GENERAL CONDITIONS

- 7.1 LIABILITY: This General Condition of the RFP is NOT subject to negotiation and any Proposal that fails to accept these conditions will be rejected as "nonresponsive".
  - 7.1.1 By SBBC: SBBC agrees to be fully responsible up to the limits of Section 768.28, Florida Statutes, for its acts of negligence, or its employees' acts of negligence when acting within the scope of their employment and agrees to be liable for any damages resulting from said negligence.
  - 7.1.2 By AWARDEE: AWARDEE agrees to indemnify, hold harmless and defend SBBC, its agents, servants and employees from any and all claims, judgments, costs and expenses including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney's fees, reasonable investigative and discovery costs, court costs and all other sums which SBBC, its agents, servants, and employees may pay or become obligated to pay on account of any, all and every claim or demand, or assertion of liability, or any claim or action founded thereon, arising or alleged to have arisen out of the products, goods or services furnished by the VENDOR, its agents, servants or employees; the equipment of the AWARDEE, its agents, servants or employees while such equipment is on premises owned or controlled by SBBC; or the negligence of AWARDEE or the negligence of AWARDEE's agents when acting within the scope of their employment, whether such claims, judgments, costs, and expenses be for damages, damage to property including SBBC's property, and injury or death of any person whether employed by the AWARDEE, SBBC or otherwise.
- 7.2 SEALED PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS: The "Required Response Form" must be completed, signed and returned with your submitted proposal. To be considered, all proposals must be delivered in a sealed envelope, clearly marked with the words "Proposal Documents", Request for Proposal (RFP) number and the title of the RFP and received in the Procurement & Warehousing Services Department no later than the specified date and time for the Request for Proposal opening.
  - 7.2.1 PROPOSER'S RESPONSIBILITY: It is the responsibility of the Proposer to be certain that all numbered pages of the RFP and all attachments thereto are received and all Addendum released are received before submitting a proposal without regard to how a copy of this RFP was obtained.
    - It is the responsibility of the Proposer to make sure the original proposal matches the proposal copies as requested in the RFP. SBBC is not responsible for missing information in the proposal copies. Failure to check your proposal for missing information shall be at the risk of the Proposer and shall not be the responsibility of SBBC.
  - 7.2.2 PROPOSAL SUBMITTED: Completed proposal must be submitted in a sealed envelope with the RFP number and name clearly typed or written on the front of the envelope. Proposals must be time-stamped in the Procurement & Warehousing Services Department on or before 2:00 p.m. ET on the date due for proposal to be considered. Proposals will be opened at 2:00 p.m. ET on the date due. Failure to timely submit such a proposal shall disqualify the Proposer and such a proposal will be either returned to the Proposer or stored and unopened. NO FAXED PROPOSALS SHALL BE ACCEPTED. The School Board of Broward County (SBBC) reserves the right to reject any proposal that fails to comply with these submittal requirements.
- 7.2.3 EXECUTION OF PROPOSAL: Proposal must contain an original manual signature (in blue ink) of an authorized representative, who can bind the company to the requirements of the RFP, in the space provided on the Required Response Form. All proposals must be typewritten. It is requested that the submitted proposal follow the exact format as outlined in the RFP.
- 7.2.4 BIDDING PREFERENCE LAWS: The State of Florida provides a Proposer's preference for Florida vendors for the purchase of personal property. SERVICES ARE NOT COVERED UNDER THIS REQUIREMENT. The local preference is five (5) percent. proposers outside the State of Florida must have an attorney, licensed to practice law in the out-of-state jurisdiction, as required by Florida Statute 287.084(2), execute the "Opinion of Out-of-State Bidder's Attorney on Bidding Preferences" form and must submit this form with the submitted proposal. Such an opinion should permit SBBC's reliance on such an attorney's opinion for purposes of complying with Florida Statute 287.084. Florida Proposers must also complete its portion of the form. Failure to submit and execute this form, with the proposal, shall result in the proposal being considered "non-responsive" and proposal rejected. See the Minimum Eligibility Requirements of the RFP.

- 7.3 SUBMITTAL OF PROPOSALS: All Proposers are reminded that it is the sole responsibility of the PROPOSER to assure that their proposal is time-stamped in PROCUREMENT AND WAREHOUSING SERVICES on or before 2:00 p.m. ET on the date due. Late proposals shall not be accepted. The address for proposal submittal, including hand-delivery and overnight courier delivery, is indicated as 7720 West Oakland Park Boulevard, Suite 323, Sunrise, Florida 33351-6704. The Proposer is fully and completely responsible for the payment of all delivery costs associated with the delivery of their proposal or related material. Procurement and Warehousing Services will not accept delivery of any proposal or related material requiring the School Board to pay for any portion of the delivery cost the complete delivery cost. Before the proposal submittal, it is the responsibility of the proposer to be certain that all Addenda released have been received, that all Addendum requirements have been completed, and that all submittals required by the Addendum have been timely filed. (See General Condition 7.2.2)
- 7.4 ORIGINAL DOCUMENT FORMAT: Only the terms and conditions of this solicitation, as they were released by SBBC, or amended via Addendum, are valid. Any modification to any term or condition by a vendor is not binding unless it is expressly agreed to, in writing, by SBBC.
- 7.5 PRICES QUOTED: All prices for goods quoted shall be F.O.B. Destination and freight prepaid (Proposer pays and bears freight charges). Proposer owns goods in transit and files any claims unless otherwise stated in the Special Conditions of the RFP. In case of a discrepancy in computing the amount of the proposal, the Unit Price quoted shall govern. For services, the unit price shall be all-inclusive of services performed.
  - a) TAXES: The School Board of Broward County, Florida, does not pay Federal Excise and State taxes on direct purchases of tangible personal property. The applicable tax exemption number is shown on the Purchase Order. This exemption does not apply to purchases of tangible property made by contractors who use the tangible personal property in the performance of contracts for the improvement of School Board owned real property as defined in Chapter 192 of the Florida Statutes.
  - b) MISTAKES: Proposers are expected to examine the specifications, delivery schedules, proposal prices and extensions, and all instructions pertaining to supplies and services. Failure to do so will be at the Proposer's risk.
  - c) CONDITIONS AND PACKAGING: It is understood and agreed that any item offered or shipped as a result of this proposal shall be new (current production model at the time of this proposal) unless otherwise specified in this RFP. All containers shall be suitable for storage or shipment and all prices shall include standard commercial packaging.
  - d) UNDERWRITERS' LABORATORIES: Unless otherwise stipulated in the proposal, all manufactured items and fabricated assemblies shall be UL listed where such has been established by UL for the item(s) offered and furnished. In lieu of the UL listing, the Proposer may substitute a listing by an independent testing laboratory recognized by OSHA under the Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratories (NTRL) Recognition Program.
  - PROPOSER'S CONDITIONS: Proposal conditions and specifications shall not be changed, altered or conditioned in any way. The Evaluation Committee reserves the right to reject any conditional proposal.
- 7.6 SAMPLES: Samples of items, when required, must be furnished free of expense within five (5) working days unless otherwise stated in the RFP or by the Purchasing Agent's letter to the Proposer requesting the sample(s). If the Proposer must have the sample(s) returned, then the sample(s) will be returned at the Proposer's expense. Proposer(s) will be responsible for the removal of all sample(s) furnished within thirty (30) days after the award of the RFP. All sample(s) will be disposed of after thirty (30) days after the award of the RFP.

Each individual sample must be labeled with the Proposer's name, RFP Number and item number. Failure of the Proposer to either deliver the required sample(s) or to clearly identify samples as indicated may be a reason for rejection of the proposal item. Unless otherwise indicated in the RFP, sample(s) should be delivered to the Procurement & Warehousing Services Department, The School Board of Broward County, Florida, 7720 West Oakland Park Boulevard, Suite 323, Sunrise, Florida, 33351-6704.

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- 7.7 DELIVERY: ALL DELIVERIES SHALL BE F.O.B. DESTINATION POINT. Shipping points offered other than F.O.B. Destination shall be rejected. Unless the actual date of delivery is specified (or specified delivery cannot be met), show the number of days required to make delivery after receipt of Purchase Order in space provided. Delivery time may become a basis for making an award (see Special Conditions). Delivery shall be within the normal working hours of the user, Monday through Friday, excluding state holidays and days during which the school district administration is closed.
- 7.8 INTERPRETATIONS: Any questions concerning conditions and specifications must be submitted in writing and received by the Procurement and Warehousing Services Department as requested in the Conditions of the RFP, Information. If necessary, an Addendum will be issued.
- 7.9 EVALUATION COMMITTEES AND PROPOSALS: SBBC and its Proposal Evaluation Committees evaluate and negotiate all Proposals in accordance with State Statutes 119.071 and 286.0113.
- 7.10 AWARDS: In the best interest of SBBC, the Procurement & Warehousing Services Department reserves the right to withdraw this RFP at any time prior to the time and date specified for the RFP opening. The Evaluation Committee reserves the right to reject any or all proposals received when there is sound documented business reason(s) that serve the best interest of SBBC. The Evaluation Committee reserves the right to accept any item or groups of items unless qualified by the Proposer. All awards made as a result of this RFP shall conform to applicable Florida Statutes and be governed by the laws of the State of Florida, and must have a venue established in the 17th Judicial Circuit Court of Broward County, Florida or the United States Court of the Southern District of Florida.
- 7.11 PROPOSAL OPENING: Proposal opening shall be public, on the date and at the time specified in the RFP. Any proposal(s) received after that time shall not be considered.
- 7.12 ADVERTISING: In submitting a proposal, Proposer agrees not to use the results therefrom as a part of any commercial advertising without prior approval of the School Board.
- 7.13 INSPECTION, ACCEPTANCE & TITLE: Inspection and acceptance will be at destination unless otherwise provided in the RFP. Title to/or risk of loss or damage to all items shall be the responsibility of the Awardee until acceptance by SBBC unless loss or damage resulting from negligence by SBBC. If the materials or services supplied to SBBC are found to be defective or not conform to specifications, SBBC reserves the right to cancel the order upon written notice to the Awardee(s) and return the product at Awardee's expense.
- 7.14 PAYMENT: Payment will be made by SBBC after the items awarded have been received, inspected, found to comply with award specifications and free of damage or defect and properly invoiced. Services will be paid after the service has been performed and meets the requirements of the RFP. All payments will be made by ACH (Automated Clearing House) for automatic deposits (credits).
- 7.15 CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND CONFLICT EMPLOYMENT OR CONTRACTUAL RELATIONSHIP: Section 112.313 (3) and (7), Florida Statutes, sets forth restrictions on the ability of SBBC employees acting in a private capacity to rent, lease, or sell any realty, goods or services to SBBC. It also places restrictions on SBBC employees concerning outside employment or contractual relationships with any business entity which is doing business with SBBC. Each Proposer is to disclose any employees it has who are also SBBC employees by submitting Attachment B, Disclosure of Potential Conflict of Interest and Conflict Employment or Contractual Relationship, with its proposal. Any employees identified by the Proposer when completing Attachment B should obtain legal advice as to their obligations and restrictions under Section 112.313 (3) and (7), Florida Statutes.
- 7.16 INSURANCE: Proposer, by virtue of submitting a proposal, shall be in full compliance with paragraph 7.24 LIABILITY INSURANCE, LICENSES, AND PERMITS of the General Conditions. Insurance Requirements are shown in Section 6.3 of this RFP. The proposer shall take special notice that SBBC shall be named as an additional insured under the General Liability policy including Products Liability. (Refer to the Special Conditions of the RFP for the threshold requirements) The insurance policies shall be issued by companies qualified to do business in the State of Florida. The insurance companies must be rated at least A-VI by AM Best or Aa3 by Moody's Investor Service. All policies must remain in effect during the performance of the contract.

- 7.17 LICENSES, CERTIFICATIONS, AND REGISTRATIONS: As of the RFP Opening Date, Proposer must have all Licenses, Certifications, and Registrations required when performing the services as described herein, in order for the proposal to be considered a responsive and responsible proposal. Licenses, Certifications, and Registrations required for this RFP shall be as required by Chapter 489, Florida Statutes, as currently enacted or as amended from time to time; by the State Requirements for Educational Facilities (SREF), latest version; and by Broward County, Florida. The proposer must submit a copy of all its current Licenses, Certifications, and Registrations required as described herein, either with its proposal or within five (5) working days of notification.
  - An Awardee who has any License, Certification, or Registration either suspended, revoked or expired after the date of the Bid Opening shall provide notice to the Director of Procurement & Warehousing Services Department within five (5) working days of such suspension, revocation or expiration. However, such suspension, revocation or expiration after the date of the RFP opening shall not relieve the Awardee of its responsibilities under a contract awarded under this RFP.
- 7.18 PRIORITY OF DOCUMENTS: In the event of a conflict between the documents, the order of priority of the documents shall be as follows:
  - a) Any Agreement resulting from the award of this RFP; then
  - b) Addenda released for this RFP, with the latest Addendum taking precedence; then
  - c) The RFP; then
  - d) Awardee's proposal.
  - 7.18.1 <u>DISPUTES</u>: In the event any dispute or difference of option concerning the interpretation of the Agreement and any documents incorporated therein, the decision of SBBC shall be final and binding upon all parties.
- 7.19 PATENTS & ROYALTIES: Awardee(s), without exception, shall indemnify and save harmless The School Board of Broward County, Florida and its employees from liability of any nature or kind, including cost and expenses for any copyrighted, patented, or unpatented invention, process, or article manufactured or used in the performance of the contract, including its use by The School Board of Broward County, Florida. If the Awardee(s) uses any design, device, or materials covered by letters, patent, or copyright, it is mutually understood and agreed without exception that the proposal prices shall include all royalties or cost arising from the use of such design, device or materials in any way involved in the work.
- 7.20 OSHA: Awardee warrants that the product(s) supplied to The School Board of Broward County, Florida shall conform in all respects to the standards set forth in the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, as amended, and the failure to comply with this condition will be considered as a breach of contract.
- 7.21 SPECIAL CONDITIONS: The Superintendent or Designee has the authority to issue Special Conditions and Specifications as required for individual proposals. Any and all Special Conditions that may vary from these General Conditions shall have precedence.
- 7.22 NONDISCRIMINATION: The respondent hereby certifies and agrees that the following information is correct: In preparing its response on this project, the respondent has considered all proposals submitted from qualified, potential subcontractors and suppliers, and has not engaged in "discrimination" as defined in the District's Policy No. 3330 -Supplier Diversity Outreach Program, Section D.1; to wit: discrimination in the solicitation, selection, or commercial treatment of any subcontractor, vendor, supplier, or commercial customer on the basis of race, color, religion, ancestry or national origin, sex, age, marital status, sexual orientation or on the basis of disability or other unlawful forms of discrimination. Without limiting the foregoing, "discrimination" also includes retaliating against any person or other entity for reporting any incident of "discrimination." Without limiting any other provision of the solicitation for responses on this project, it is understood and agreed that, if this certification is false, such false certification will constitute grounds for the School District to reject the response submitted by the respondent on this project, and terminate any contract awarded based on the response. As part of its response, the respondent shall provide to the School District a list of all instances within the immediate past four (4) years where there has been a final adjudicated determination in a legal or administrative proceeding in the State of Florida that the respondent discriminated against its subcontractors, vendors, suppliers, or commercial customers, and a description of the status or resolution of that complaint, including any remedial action taken. As a condition of submitting a response to the School Board, the respondent agrees to comply with the District's Commercial Nondiscrimination Policy as described under its School Board Policy No. 3330 - Supplier Diversity Outreach Program, Section D.1.
- 7.23 QUALITY: All materials used for the manufacture or construction of any supplies, materials or equipment covered by this RFP shall be new unless otherwise specified. The items bid must be new, the latest model, of the best quality and highest grade workmanship. Product(s) offered that have not been previously used in any way and are being actively marketed by the manufacturer will be accepted. Minor parts within the product(s) may have remanufactured components. Therefore, reconditioned, refurbished, rebuilt, discontinued, used, shopworn, demonstrator, prototype or other types of product(s) of this kind are not acceptable and will be rejected.

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- 7.24 LIABILITY INSURANCE, LICENSES AND PERMITS: Where Awardees are required to enter or go onto School Board property to deliver materials or perform work or services as a result of an RFP award, the Awardee agrees to The Hold Harmless Agreement stated herein and will assume the full duty obligation and expense of obtaining all necessary licenses, permits, and insurance. The Awardee shall be liable for any damages or loss to the School Board occasioned by the negligence of the Awardee (or agent) or any person the Awardee has designated in the completion of the contract as a result of their bid.
- 7.25 BID BONDS, PERFORMANCE BONDS AND CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE: Bid bonds, when required, shall be submitted with the proposal in the amount specified in Special Conditions. Bid bonds will be returned to non-Awardees. After acceptance of the proposal, the School Board will notify the Awardee to submit a performance bond and certificate of insurance in the amount specified in Special Conditions. Upon receipt of the performance bond, the bid bond will be returned to the Awardee.
- 7.26 CANCELLATION: In the event any of the provisions of this RFP are violated by the Awardee, the Superintendent shall give written notice to the Awardee stating the deficiencies and unless deficiencies are corrected within five (5) business days (or as required), recommendation will be made to the School Board for immediate cancellation of the Awardee's contract.
- 7.27 BILLING INSTRUCTIONS: Invoices, unless otherwise indicated, must show Purchase Order numbers and shall be submitted in duplicate to The School Board of Broward County, Florida, Accounting and Financial Reporting Department, Attn: Accounts Payable, 600 S.E. 3rd Avenue, 7th Floor, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301. Payment will be made a minimum of 30 days after delivery, authorized inspection and acceptance. When vendors are directed to send invoices to a school, the school will make direct payments to the vendor.
- 7.28 DELIVERING TO CENTRAL WAREHOUSE: Receiving hours are Monday through Friday (excluding state holidays and days during which the school district administration is closed) 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. ET.
- 7.29 SUBSTITUTIONS: The School Board of Broward County, Florida WILL NOT accept substitute shipments of any kind. Awardees are expected to furnish the brand/manufacturer quoted in their proposal once awarded by the School Board. Any substitute shipments shall be returned at the Awardee's expense.
- 7.30. FACILITIES: SBBC reserves the right to inspect the Awardee's facilities at any time with prior notice. SBBC may use the information obtained from this in determining whether a Proposer is a responsible bidder.
- 7.31 ASBESTOS AND FORMALDEHYDE STATEMENT: All building materials, pressed boards, and furniture supplied to SBBC shall be 100% asbestos-free. It is desirous that all building materials, pressed boards and furniture supplied to the School Board also be 100% formaldehyde-free. Proposer, by virtue of bidding, certifies by signing a proposal that, if awarded this RFP, only building materials, pressed boards, and/or furniture that is 100% asbestos-free will be supplied.
- 7.32 ASSIGNMENT: Neither any award of this RFP nor any interest in any award of this RFP may be assigned, transferred or encumbered by any party without the prior written consent from the Director, Procurement and Warehousing Services. There shall be no partial assignments of this RFP including, without limitation, the partial assignment of any right to receive payments from SBBC.
- 7.33 EXTENSION: In addition to any extension options contained herein, SBBC is granted the right to extend any award resulting from this RFP for the period of time necessary for SBBC to release, award and implement a replacement RFP for the goods, products and/or services provided through this RFP. Such extension shall be upon the same prices, terms and conditions as existing at the time of SBBC's exercise of this extension right. The period of any extension under this provision shall not be for a period in excess of six (6) months from (a) the termination date of a contract entered into as a result of this bid or (b) the termination date under any applicable period of extension under a contract entered into as a result of this bid.
- 7.34 OMISSION FROM THE SPECIFICATIONS: The apparent silence of this specification and any Addendum regarding any details or the omission from the specification of a detailed description concerning any point shall be regarded as meaning that only the best available units or service shall be provided and the best commercial practices are to prevail, and that only materials and workmanship of first quality are to be used. All interpretations of this specification shall be made upon the basis of this Agreement.

- 7.35 SUBMITTAL OF INVOICES: All Proposers are hereby notified that any invoice submitted as a result of the award of this RFP must be in the same format as any Purchase Order released as a result of the award of this RFP. Each line of the invoice must reference a corresponding single line shown on the Purchase Order. A single invoice line must not correspond to or commingle the cost shown on multiple Purchase Order lines. An invoice submitted that does not follow the same format and line numbering as shown on the Purchase Order will be deemed to be not correct and will be returned to the vendor by the Accounts Payable Department for correction. The address for submitting invoices is included on Purchase Order.
- 7.36 PURCHASE AGREEMENT: This RFP, written Agreement, and the corresponding Purchase Orders will constitute the complete agreement. SBBC will not accept proposed terms and conditions that are different than those contained in this RFP, including preprinted text contained on catalogs, price lists, other descriptive information submitted or any other materials. By virtue of submitting a proposal, Awardee(s) agrees to not submit to any SBBC employee, for signature, any document that contains terms and conditions that are different than those contained herein and that in the event any document containing any term or condition that differs from those contained herein is executed, said document shall not be binding on SBBC.
- 7.37 SBBC INFORMATION SECURITY GUIDELINES: It is the responsibility of the Awardee to read and adhere to the SBBC Information Security Guidelines when using any device connected to the SBBC's network. Following the conclusion of the contract term, all of SBBC's confidential information must be removed from Awardee's equipment and all access privileges must be revoked. The final payment will be withheld until the Awardee has confirmed, in writing, that all SBBC's confidential information has been purged from any and all electronic technology devices that were used during this contract and were connected to the SBBC's network.
- 7.38 <u>SUPPLIER DIVERSITY OUTREACH PROGRAM (SDOP) PARTICIPATION</u>: SBBC has implemented a Supplier Diversity Outreach Program (SDOP) as part of the SBBC's competitive solicitation and contracting activity in accordance with School Board Policy 3330, Supplier Diversity Outreach Program. The purpose of the program is to utilize available small, minority and women businesses within the Board's market area to compete for the award of SBBC construction and purchasing contracts. <u>S/MWBE vendors utilized for this contract must be certified by SBBC's Supplier Diversity Outreach Program Office prior to the submission of the bid proposal.</u> For information on S/MWBE Certification, contact SBBC's Supplier Diversity Outreach Program at 754-321-0550 or http://www.broward.k12.fl.us/supply/sdop/index.html.
- 7.39 SBBC PHOTO IDENTIFICATION BADGE: Background Screening: Awardee agrees to comply with all the requirements of Sections 1012.32 and 1012.465, Florida Statutes, and that Awardee and all its personnel who (1) are to be permitted access to school grounds when students are present, (2) will have direct contact with students, or (3) have access or control of school funds will successfully complete the background screening required by the referenced statutes and meet the standards established by the statutes. Personnel shall include employees, representatives, agents or sub-contractors performing duties under the contract to SBBC, and who meet any or all of the three (3) requirements identified above. This background screening will be conducted by SBBC in advance of the Awardee or its personnel providing any services. The awardee will bear the cost of acquiring the background screening required under Section 1012.32, Florida Statutes, and any fee imposed by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement to maintain the fingerprints provided with respect to the Awardee and its personnel. The Parties agree that the failure of Awardee to perform any of the duties described in this section shall constitute a material breach of this ITB entitling SBBC to terminate immediately with no further responsibilities or duties to perform under this Agreement. Awardee agrees to indemnify and hold harmless SBBC, its officers and employees of any liability in the form of physical or mental injury, death or property damage resulting in Awardee's failure to comply with the requirements of this section or Sections 1012.32 and 1012.465, Florida Statutes.

SBBC issued identification badges must be worn at all times when on SBBC property and must be worn where they are visible and easily readable.

As of 7/01/15, Fieldprint, Inc. has been contracted to provide all background and fingerprinting services. All questions pertaining to fingerprinting, photo identification and background check services must be directed to the Project Coordinator at 754-321-1830 or 754-321-2374. Each individual, for whom an SBBC photo identification badge is requested, must be registered into the Fieldprint, Inc. applicant enrollment website. A background check will be conducted for each badge applicant. SBBC reserves the right to require additional information, should it be necessary, and to deny the issuance of a badge to an applicant. Any applicant, that has been denied a badge, is prohibited from entering SBBC property as an employee, sub-contractor or agent of a contract Awardee. Applicant enrollment and scheduling website is www.fieldprintflorida.com. The total fee(s) for the SBBC photo identification badge, fingerprinting and an FBI background check can be found at the following website:

http://www.broward.k12.fl.us/police/pdf/seccle/FIELDPRINT\_CODES.pdf. Payment options can be made by electronic check (e-check), Visa, MasterCard or use of an established escrow account code. (Continued)....

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These fees are non-refundable and are subject to change without notice. Badges are issued for a one-year period and must be renewed annually. The renewal date will be one (1) year from the date of issuance. Failure to renew the badge, at that time, will result in the vendor being required to re-apply and pay the going rate for badging and fingerprinting.

Vendors shall return expired and/or terminated employee badges to the following location: The School Board of Broward County, Florida, Attn: Fieldprint, Inc., 600 S.E. 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301.

7.40 PROTESTING OF BID CONDITIONS/SPECIFICATIONS: Any person desiring to protest the conditions/specifications in this RFP, or any Addenda subsequently released thereto, shall file a notice of intent to protest, in writing, within 72 hours after electronic release of the competitive solicitation or Addendum and shall file a formal written protest within ten calendar days after the date the notice of protest was filed. Saturdays, Sundays, state holidays, or days during which the school district administration is closed shall be excluded in the computation of the 72 hours. If the tenth calendar day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, state holiday or day during which the school district administration is closed, the formal written protest must be received on or before 5:00 p.m. ET of the next calendar day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, state holiday or day during which the school district administration is closed. Section 120.57(3)(b), Florida Statutes, as currently enacted or as amended from time to time, states that "The formal written protest shall state with particularity the facts and law upon which the protest is based."

Failure to file a notice of protest or to file a formal written protest within the time prescribed by Section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, or a failure to post the bond or other security required by SBBC Policy 3320, within the time allowed for filing a bond, shall constitute a waiver of proceedings. The failure to post the bond required by SBBC Policy 3320, Part VIII, as currently enacted or as amended from time to time, shall constitute a waiver of proceedings. Notices of protest, formal written protests, and the bonds required by SBBC Policy 3320, shall be filed at the office of the Director, Procurement and Warehousing Services, 7720 West Oakland Park Boulevard, Suite 323, Sunrise, Florida 33351-6704 (fax 754-321-0936). Fax filing will not be acceptable for the filing of bonds.

7.41 **POSTING OF BID RECOMMENDATIONS/TABULATIONS:** RFP Recommendations and Tabulations will be posted in Procurement and Warehousing Services and on www.demandstar.com on 8/5/2020 @ 3:00 pm and will remain posted for 72 hours. Any change to the date and time established herein for the posting of RFP Recommendations/Tabulations shall be posted in Procurement and Warehousing Services and/or at www.demandstar.com (under the document section for this RFP). In the event the date and time of the posting of RFP Recommendations/Tabulations are changed, it is the responsibility of each Proposer to ascertain the revised date of the posting of RFP Recommendations/Tabulations. Any person desiring to protest the intended decision shall file a notice of protest, in writing, within 72 hours after the posting of the RFP tabulation and shall file a formal written protest within ten calendar days after the date the notice of protest was filed. Saturdays, Sundays, state holidays and days during which the school district administration is closed shall be excluded in the computation of the 72 hours. If the tenth calendar day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, state holiday or day during which the school district administration is closed, the formal written protest must be received on or before 5:00 p.m. ET of the next calendar day that is not a Saturday or Sunday, state holiday or days during which the school district administration is closed. No submissions made after the Bid opening amending or supplementing the Bid shall be considered. Section 120.57(3)(b), Florida Statutes, as currently enacted or as amended from time to time, states that "The formal written protest shall state with particularity the facts and law upon which the protest is based". Any person who files an action protesting an intended decision shall post with SBBC, at the time of filing the formal written protest, a bond, payable to SBBC, in an amount equal to one percent (1%) of SBBC's estimate of the total volume of the contract. SBBC shall provide the estimated contract amount to the Proposer within 72 hours, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and other days during which SBBC administration is closed, of receipt of notice of intent to protest. The estimated contract amount is not subject to protest pursuant to Section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes. The bond shall be conditioned upon the payment of all costs which may be adjudged against the protestant in an Administrative Hearing in which the action is brought and in any subsequent appellate court proceeding. In lieu of a bond, SBBC may accept a cashier's check, official bank check or money order in the amount of the bond.

If, after completion of the Administrative Hearing process and any appellate court proceedings, SBBC prevails, SBBC shall recover all costs and charges which shall be included in the Final Order or judgment, including charges made by the Division of Administrative Hearings, but excluding attorney's fees. Upon payment of such costs and charges by the protestant, the bond shall be returned. If the protestant prevails, then the protestant shall recover from the School Board all costs and charges which shall be included in the Final Order or judgment, excluding attorney's fees. All documentation necessary for the protest proceedings will be provided electronically by SBBC.

Failure to file a notice of protest or to file a formal written protest within the time prescribed by Section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, or a failure to post the bond or other security required by SBBC Policy 3320 within the time allowed for filing a bond, shall constitute a waiver of proceedings. The failure to post the bond required by SBBC Policy 3320, Part VIII, as currently enacted or as amended from time to time, shall constitute a waiver of proceedings. Notices of protests, formal written protests, and the bonds required by Policy 3320, shall be filed at the office of the Director, Procurement and Warehousing Services, 7720 West Oakland Park Boulevard, Suite 323, Sunrise, Florida 33351-6704 (fax 754-321-0936). Fax filing will not be acceptable for the filing of bonds.

- 7.42 AUDIT AND INSPECTION OF AWARDEE'S DOCUMENTS AND RECORDS: The District or its representative reserves the right to inspect and/or audit all the Awardee's documents and records as they pertain to the products and services delivered under this agreement. Such rights will be exercised with notice to the Awardee to determine compliance with and performance of the terms, conditions, and specifications on all matters, rights, and duties, and obligations established by this agreement. Documents/records in any form shall be open to the District or State's representative and may include but are not limited to all correspondence, ordering, payment, inspection, and receiving records, contracts or subcontracts that directly or indirectly pertain to the transactions between the District and the Awardee(s). (See Special Conditions of the RFP)
- 7.43 CREDIT CARDS: Individual schools and departments may place some orders and utilize, as the form of payment, a District-issued credit card to the extent authorized by the School Board. These orders will be made via phone or fax for direct delivery and billing to the requesting work location. Please note that credit card purchases will benefit all vendors by providing immediate payment (i.e. within 48-72 hours), thereby eliminating the need to submit an invoice to the District's Accounts Payable Department or reconcile receivable balances. For credit card purchases, all vendors must have the capability to accept fax orders, which must be confirmed by calling back the requesting work location to verify prices and obtain a credit card number. Only actual items shipped/delivered can be charged to the credit card account (i.e., no back-orders). All purchase deliveries must include a packing slip or receipt/invoice listing the items and prices of goods delivered. For security reasons, the credit card charge receipt showing the work location's credit card number cannot be attached to the packing slip or receipt/invoice submitted as part of the purchase delivery. District work locations may request that a vendor maintains secure records of the credit card account assigned an alias or password, to avoid divulging the actual credit card number upon every purchase.
- 7.44 NONCONFORMANCE TO CONTRACT CONDITIONS: Items or services offered may be tested for compliance with RFP conditions and specifications at any time. Items delivered, not conforming to RFP conditions or specifications, may be rejected and returned at the vendor's expense. Services not conforming to RFP specifications shall be corrected and performed again to meet the specifications of the RFP at the expense of the Awardee. Goods or services not delivered as per delivery date in RFP and/or Purchase Order may be rejected upon delivery and/or may be purchased on the open market. Any increase in cost may be charged against the Awardee. Any violation of these stipulations may also result in:
  - a) Cancellation and default of contract;
  - For a period of two (2) years, any proposal submitted by the vendor will not be considered and will not be recommended for an award.
  - c) All departments being advised not to do business with the vendor.
- 7.45 **CONE OF SILENCE:** Any proposer, or lobbyist for a proposer, is prohibited from having any communications (except as provided in this rule) concerning any solicitation for a competitive procurement with any School Board member, the Superintendent, any Evaluation Committee Member, or any other School District employee after Procurement and Warehousing Services releases a solicitation to the General Public. All communications regarding this solicitation shall be directed to the designated Purchasing Agent unless so notified by Procurement and Warehousing Services. This "Cone of Silence" period shall go into effect and shall remain in effect from the time of the release of the solicitation until the contract is awarded by the School Board. Further, any vendor, its principals, or their lobbyists shall not offer campaign contributions to School Board Members or offer contributions to School Board Members for campaigns of other candidates for political office during the period in which the vendor is attempting to sell goods or services to the School Board. This period of limitation of offering campaign contributions shall commence at the time of the "cone of silence" period for any solicitation for a competitive procurement as described by School Board Policy 3320, Part II, Section GG as well as School Board Policy 1007, Section 5.4 - Campaign Contribution Fundraising. Any vendor or lobbyist who violates this provision shall cause their Proposal (or that of their principal) to be considered non-responsive and therefore be ineligible for award.
- 7.46 TERMINATION: This contract award may be terminated with or without cause by SBBC during the term hereof thirty (30) days after the Superintendent gives written notice to the other parties that a recommendation will be made to the School Board for the contract award's termination.

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- 7.47 PACKING SLIPS: It will be the responsibility of the Awardee to attach all packing slips to the OUTSIDE of each shipment. The packing slip must reference the SBBC Purchase Order number/control number. Failure to provide a packing slip attached to the outside of shipment will result in refusal of shipment at the vendor's expense.
- 7.48 USE OF OTHER CONTRACTS: SBBC reserves the right to utilize any other SBBC contract, any State of Florida Contract, any contract awarded by any other city or county governmental agencies, other school boards, other community college/state university system cooperative bid agreement, or to directly negotiate/purchase per School Board policy and/or State Board Rule 6A-1.012, as currently enacted or as amended from time to time, in lieu of any offer received or award made as a result of this bid if it is in its best interest to do so.
- 7.49 PURCHASE BY OTHER PUBLIC AGENCIES: With the consent and agreement of the awarded contractor(s), purchases may be made under this RFP by other agencies. Such purchases shall be governed by the same terms and conditions as stated herein.
- 7.50 PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES: Section 287.133(2)(a), Florida Statutes, as currently enacted or as amended from time to time, states that a person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a proposal on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity, may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017 for CATEGORY TWO [currently \$25,000] for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.
- 7.51 SEVERABILITY: In case of any one or more of the provisions contained in this RFP shall be for any reason be held to be invalid, illegal, unlawful, unenforceable or void in any respect, the invalidity, illegality, unenforceability or unlawful or void nature of that provision shall not affect any other provision and this RFP shall be considered as if such invalid, unlawful, unenforceable or void provision had never been included herein.
- 7.52 DISTRIBUTION: DemandStar by Onvia, www.demandstar.com, is the official method approved by Procurement and Warehousing Services for the distribution of all competitive solicitations including ITBs and RFPs. It is the responsibility of all interested parties to assure they have received all necessary documents, including Addenda and have included all necessary information within their response. SBBC is not responsible for Proposer's failure to obtain complete bidding documents from DemandStar. SBBC reserves the right to reject any bid as non-responsive for failure to include all necessary documents or required Addenda. For information regarding the above-referenced solicitation, contact the designated Purchasing Agent as stated herein.
- 7.53 PRICE REDUCTIONS: If, from the date of proposal opening, the Awardee either bids the same products and/or services at a lower price than offered to SBBC or reduces the price of the proposed product or service, the lowest of these reduced prices will be extended to SBBC.
- 7.54 LOBBYIST ACTIVITIES: In accordance with SBBC Policy 1100B, as currently enacted or as amended from time to time, persons acting as lobbyists must state, at the beginning of their presentation, letter, telephone call, e-mail or facsimile transmission to School Board Members, Superintendent or Members of Senior Management, the group, association, organization or business interest she/he is representing.
  - A lobbyist is defined as a person who for immediate or subsequent compensation, (e.g., monetary profit/personal gain) represents a public or private group, association, organization or business interest and engages in efforts to influence School Board Members on matters within their official jurisdiction.
  - A lobbyist is not considered a person representing school-affiliated groups (e.g., PTA, DAC, Band Booster Associations, etc.) nor a public official acting in her/his official capacity.
  - c) Lobbyists shall annually (July 1) disclose in each instance and for each client prior to any lobbying activities, their identity and activities by completing the lobbyist statement form which can be obtained from Official School Board Records, School Board Member's Offices or the Superintendent's Office and will be recorded on The School Board of Broward County's website, www.browardschools.com.
  - d) The lobbyist must disclose any direct business association with any current elected or appointed official or employee of SBBC or any immediate family member of such elected or appointed official or employee of SBBC.

- Senior-level employees (Pay Grade 30 and above) and/or School Board Members are prohibited from lobbying activities for one (1) year after resignation or retirement or expiration of their term of office.
- 7.55 TIE BID PROCEDURES: When identical prices are received from two (2) or more vendors and all other factors are equal, priority for the award shall be given to vendors in the following sequence:
  - A business that certifies that it has implemented a drug-free workplace program shall be given preference in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 287.087, Florida Statutes, as currently enacted or as amended from time to time;
  - b) The Broward County Certified Minority/Women Business Enterprise vendor;
  - The Palm Beach County or Miami-Dade County Certified Minority/Women Business Enterprise vendor;
  - d) The Florida Certified Minority/Women Business Enterprise vendor;
  - e) The Broward County vendor, other than a Minority/Women Business Enterprise vendor:
  - The Palm Beach County or Miami-Dade County vendor, other than a Minority/Women Business Enterprise vendor;
  - g) The Florida vendor, whose main office is in the State of Florida, other than a Minority/Women Business Enterprise vendor.
  - h) If the application of the above criteria does not indicate a priority for an award, the award will be decided by a coin toss. The coin toss shall be held publicly in Procurement and Warehousing Services; the tie low bid vendors invited to be present as witnesses.

Included as a part of the RFP documents is a Form entitled SWORN STATEMENT PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 287.087, FLORIDA STATUTES, AS CURRENTLY ENACTED OR AS AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME, ON PREFERENCE TO BUSINESSES WITH DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE PROGRAMS. This form will be used by the Proposer to certify that it has implemented a drug-free workplace program. The Required Response Form (Page 4 of this RFP) must be properly signed in order for the proposal to be considered. A Proposer cannot sign this form in lieu of properly signing the Required Response Form.

- 7.56 AUDITING SERVICES POLICY 3100: If the RFP is for auditing services and in accordance with Policy 3100 Annual Financial Audit, the independent audit firm selected by the School Board shall serve at the discretion of the School Board for five (5) consecutive years; the firm selected shall not succeed itself as the School Board's independent auditor except for the first selection when the current auditor will be exempted.
- 7.57 CONFIDENTIAL RECORDS: The Awardee acknowledges that certain information about the District's students is contained in records created, maintained or accessed by the Awardee and that this information is confidential and protected by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) (20 U.S. C. 1232g), and/or the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) (45 CFR parts 160-164) and related District policies, as amended from time to time, currently available at www.browardschools.com. The confidential information cannot be disclosed unless valid consent is obtained from the students or their legal guardians. Both parties agree to protect these records in compliance with FERPA, HIPAA, and the District's policy. To the extent permitted by law, nothing contained herein shall be construed as precluding either party from releasing such information to the other so that each can perform its respective responsibilities.

Awardee agrees that it may create, receive from or on behalf of the District, or have access to, records or record systems that are subject to FERPA and/or HIPAA (collectively, the "Confidential Records"). Awardee represents, warrants, and agrees that it will: (1) hold the Confidential Records in strict confidence and will not use or disclose the Confidential Records except as (a) permitted or required by this Agreement, (b) required by law, or (c) otherwise authorized by the District in writing; (2) safeguard the Confidential Records according to commercially reasonable administrative, physical and technical standards as required by law; and (3) continually monitor its operations and take any and all action necessary to assure that the Confidential Records are safeguarded in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. At the request of the District, Awardee agrees to provide the District with a written summary of the procedures Awardee uses to safeguard the Confidential Records. A breach of these confidentiality requirements shall constitute grounds for the District to terminate any Agreement with Awardee.

7.58 SBBC INFORMATION SECURITY GUIDELINES: It is the responsibility of the Awardee to read and adhere to the SBBC Information Security Guidelines when using any device connected to the SBBC's network. Following the conclusion of the contract term, all of SBBC's confidential information must be removed from Awardee's equipment and all access privileges must be revoked. The final payment will be withheld until the Awardee has confirmed, in writing, that all SBBC's confidential information has been purged from any and all electronic technology devices that were used during this contract and were connected to the SBBC's network.

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7.59 CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY OR VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION – Lower Tier Covered Transactions: Executive Order 12549, as currently enacted or as amended from time to time, provides that, to the extent permitted by law, Executive departments and agencies shall participate in a government-wide system for non-procurement debarment and suspension. A person who is debarred or suspended shall be excluded from Federal financial and nonfinancial assistance and benefits under Federal programs and activities. Except as provided in § 85.200, Debarment or Suspension, § 85.201, Treatment of Title IV HEA participation, and § 85.215, Exception Provision, debarment or suspension of a participant in a program by one (1) agency shall have a government-wide effect. A lower-tier covered transaction is, in part, any transaction between a participant [SBBC] and a person other than a procurement contract for goods or services, regardless of type, under a primary covered transaction; and any procurement contract for goods or services between a participant and a person, regardless of type, expected to equal or exceed the Federal procurement small purchase threshold fixed at 10 U.S.C. 2304(g) and 41 U.S.C. 253(g) (currently \$100,000) under a primary covered transaction; or any procurement contract for goods or services between a participant and a person under a covered transaction, regardless of amount, under which that person shall have a critical influence on or substantive control over that covered transaction. A participant may rely upon the certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it and its principals are not debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. Each participant shall require participants in lower tier covered transactions to include the certification for it and its principals in any bid submitted in connection with such lower tier covered transactions.

#### **CERTIFICATION:**

- a) The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this RFP, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.
- b) Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this bid.

Every time a proposal is submitted that includes a reference to this Form, a new Form is required. Any proposal that does not include this required Form shall not be evaluated and shall not be considered for award. A signature is required on <u>BOTH</u>, the Debarment Form, <u>AND</u> the Required Response Form. A signature on one document <u>cannot</u> be substituted for the signature required on the other document. Failure to complete and sign both documents requiring signature shall result in rejection of the proposal submitted.

7.60 PUBLIC INSPECTION OF PROPOSALS: Pursuant to Section 119.071 (1)(b), Florida Statutes, responses received as a result of this RFP shall be exempt from public inspection and copying until thirty (30) days after the opening of the proposals or until posting of the recommendation for intended award, whichever is earlier. If SBBC rejects all proposals and concurrently provides notice of its intent to reissue the competitive solicitation, the rejected proposals shall remain exempt from public inspection and copying until such time as SBBC posts notice of an intended decision concerning the reissued competitive solicitation or until SBBC withdraws the reissued competitive solicitation.

If a Proposer contends that any portion of its response to the RFP is confidential and exempt from public inspection and copying, it is the Proposer's responsibility to clearly label each such portion of its proposal as confidential and specify the applicable statutory exemption from public inspection and copying on such portion(s) of its proposal. Confidential or exempt portions of any proposal must also be submitted in a separate sealed envelope and marked as such. A failure by the Proposer to prepare and label the confidential or exempt portions of its proposal in the manner specified in this section of the RFP shall constitute a waiver by Proposer of any applicable exemptions from disclosure or any confidential status including ones that may be applicable to trade secrets under Florida law.

SBBC will promptly provide a Proposer's contact person with written notice if a public records request has been made for any portions of Proposer's response to the RFP. SBBC will provide for the inspection or copying of any non-exempt portions of any proposal in its possession in accordance with applicable law. If a Proposer wishes to preclude the inspection or copying of any non-exempt portions of its response to RFP or if a dispute exists as to whether such portions are entitled to an exemption, the Proposer must obtain a protective order from a court of competent jurisdiction prohibiting the inspection or copying of the requested materials. The failure to timely initiate such legal proceedings shall constitute a waiver by the Proposer of any applicable exemption or confidential status of the requested materials

- . By submitting a response to this RFP, the Proposer agrees to waive any cause of action or claim for damages it may have against SBBC for its release of records in response to a public record other than those that are prepared and labeled as confidential or exempt as described in this section. The Proposer agrees to hold SBBC harmless from any award to a plaintiff for damages, costs or attorney's fees based upon SBBC's non-disclosure of portions of Proposer's response that have been prepared and labeled as confidential or exempt from public inspection and further agrees to reimburse SBBC for any attorney's fees and costs it may incur in the defense of such nondisclosure.
- 7.61 **PUBLIC RECORDS.** The following provisions are required by Section 119.0701, Florida Statutes, and may not be amended. Vendor shall keep and maintain public records required by SBBC to perform the services required under this RFP. Upon request from SBBC's custodian of public records, Vendor shall provide SBBC with a copy of any requested public records or to allow the requested public records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, or as otherwise provided by law. Vendor shall ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the RFP's term and following completion of the RFP if Vendor does not transfer the public records to SBBC. Upon completion of the RFP, Vendor shall transfer, at no cost, to SBBC all public records in possession of Vendor or keep and maintain public records required by SBBC to perform the services required under the RFP. If Vendor transfers all public records to SBBC upon completion of the RFP, Vendor shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If Vendor keeps and maintains public records upon completion of the RFP, Vendor shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records. All records stored electronically must be provided to SBBC, upon request from SBBC's custodian of public records, in a format that is compatible with SBBC 's information technology systems.

IF A PARTY TO THIS RFP HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO ITS DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THE AGREEMENT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT 754-321-1900, RECORDREQUESTS@BROWARDSCHOOLS.COM, RISK MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT, PUBLIC RECORDS DIVISION, 600 SOUTHEAST THIRD AVENUE, FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA 33301.

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# **SECTION 8 - FORMS AND ATTACHMENTS**

Please fill out all attachments below. Some attachments must be notarized.

#### ATTACHMENT A - S/M/WBE FORMS

The following forms are due (if applicable) at the time of Bid submittal: (forms referenced below can be obtained on our website at: https://www.browardschools.com/Page/32118

#### 1. FORM 00470

#### **Document Link:**

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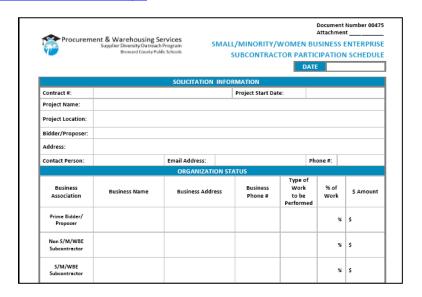
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#### 2. FORM 00475 - PARTICIPATION SCHEDULE FORM

#### **Document Link:**

https://www.browardschools.com/cms/lib/FL01803656/Centricity/domain/12708/sdop%20files/sdop%20forms%20%20policies/ParticipationSchedule 082017 Final.pdf

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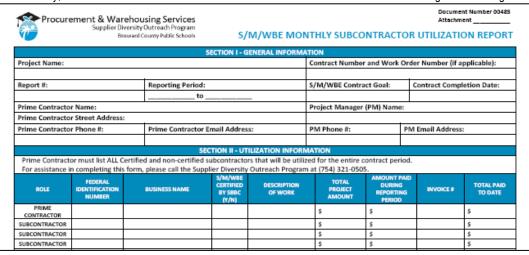


#### 3. FORM: 00485 UTILIZATION REPORT

#### **Document Link:**

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- SBBC Supplier Diversity Outreach Policy 3330 can be seen at website URL: https://www.browardschools.com/cms/lib/FL01803656/Centricity/Domain/12708/Policy\_3330\_Final\_Adoption.pdf
- SDOP website with list of Certified S/M/WBE Vendors: browardschools.com/sdop

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## ATTACHMENT B - CONFLICT OF INTEREST

#### **MUST BE COMPLETED BY ALL PROPOSERS**

# DISCLOSURE OF POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND CONFLICT EMPLOYMENT OR CONTRACTUAL RELATIONSHIP

In accordance with General Condition 7.15, each Proposer must disclose, in its RFP, the names of any employees who are employed by Proposer who are also an employee of SBBC. Persons identified below may have obligations and restrictions applicable to them under Chapter 112, Florida Statutes.

Name of Proposer's Employee	SBBC Title or Position of Proposer's Employee	SBBC Department/ School of Proposer's Employee
Check one of the following and sign:		
☐ I hereby affirm that there are no known	persons employed by Proposer who are also an	employee of SBBC.
☐ I hereby affirm that all known persons w	rho are employed by Proposer, who are also an	employee of SBBC, have been identified above.
Signature		Company Name
Name of Official		Business Address
	City, State, Zip Code	

# ATTACHMENT C - FLORIDA BIDDER'S PREFERENCE

# **NOT APPLICABLE**

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# **ATTACHMENT D - W-9 FORM**

Please retrieve the latest version of the W-9 form from the IRS website listed below:

https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/fw9.pdf

This form can be filled out online and printed for signature. Only page one (1) needs to be returned

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## ATTACHMENT E - DRUG FREE WORK PLACE

SWORN STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 287.087, FLORIDA STATUTES, AS CURRENTLY ENACTED OR AS AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME, ON PREFERENCE TO BUSINESSES WITH DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE PROGRAMS.

# THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED AND SWORN TO IN THE PRESENCE OF A NOTARY PUBLIC OR OTHER OFFICIAL AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS.

Th	is sworn statement is submitted to The School Board of Broward County, Florida,
•	(Print individual's name and title)
	(Print name of entity submitting sworn statement) nose business address is
	d (if applicable) its Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) is the entity has no FEIN, include the Social Security Number of the individual signing this sworn statement)
C	ertify that I have established a drug-free workplace program and have complied with the following:
1.	Published a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition.
2.	Informed employees about the dangers of drug abuse in the workplace, the business' policy of maintaining a drug free workplace, any available drug counseling, rehabilitation and employee assistance programs, and the penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations.
3.	Given each employee engaged in providing the commodities or contractual services that are under bid a copy of the statement specified in subsection (1) above.
4.	In the statement specified in subsection (1) above, notified the employees that, as a condition of working on the commodities or contractual services that are under bid, the employee will abide by the terms of the statement and will notify the employer of any conviction of, or plea of guilty or nolo contendere to, any violation of chapter 893 or o any controlled substance law of the United States or any state, for a violation occurring in the workplace no late than five (5) days after such conviction.
5.	Will impose a sanction on, or require the satisfactory participation in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program if such is available in the employee's community by, any employee who is so convicted.
ô.	Am making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of this section
<b>~</b>	(Signature)
	rorn to and subscribed before me this day of, 20  rsonally known or
	oduced Identification Notary Public State of
	My commission expires:
	(Type of Identification)

(Printed, typed, or stamped commissioned name of notary public)

# ATTACHMENT F - SBBC SAMPLE AGREEMENT

# SBBC SAMPLE AGREEMENT - CLICK HERE

You may also copy the link below and insert it into your browser window

# **Sample Agreement Link:**

https://www.browardschools.com/cms/lib/FL01803656/Centricity/domain/12708/sbbc%20reference%20page/20190130\_SAMPLEAGREEMENT.pdf

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#### ATTACHMENT G – DEBARMENT

#### **MUST BE COMPLETED BY ALL BIDDERS**

# CERTIFICATION OF DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY, AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION LOWER TIER TRANSACTIONS

This certification is required by the regulations implementing Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension, 45 CFR 1183.35, Participants' responsibilities. The regulations were published as Part VII of the May 26, 1988 Federal Register (pages 19160-19211). Copies of the regulations may be obtained by going to this link: http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/granule/CFR-2011-title45-vol3/CFR-2011-title45-vol3-sec1183-35

#### (BEFORE COMPLETING CERTIFICATION, READ INSTRUCTIONS ON NEXT PAGE)

- (1) The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency.
- (2) Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

Organization Name	
Name(s) and Title(s) of Autl	horized Representative(s)
Name(s) and mic(s) of Add	10112CU Propresentative(s)
Signature(s)	Date

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### ATTACHMENT G - INSTRUCTIONS FOR CERTIFICATION

- 1. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out below.
- The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the federal government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.
- 3. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- 4. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "lower tier covered transaction," "participant," "person," "primary covered transaction," "principal," "proposal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
- 5. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.
- 6. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility, and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transactions," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
- 7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the Non-procurement List (Telephone Number).
- 8. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
- 9. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntary excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the federal government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

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# ATTACHMENT H – ACH FORM ACH PAYMENT AGREEMENT FORM

# The School Board of Broward County, Florida ACH Payment Agreement Form (ACH CREDITS)

VENDOR NAME:	

#### **Authorization Agreement**

I (we) hereby authorize <u>The School Board of Broward County</u> to initiate automatic deposits (credits) to my account at the financial institution named below. Additionally, I authorize <u>The School Board of Broward County</u> to make the necessary debit entries/adjustments in the event that a credit entry is made in error.

Further, I agree not to hold **The School Board of Broward County** responsible for any delay or loss of funds due to incorrect or incomplete information supplied by me or by my financial institution or due to an error on the part of my financial institution in depositing funds to my account.

This agreement shall remain in effect until **The School Board of Broward County** receives written notification of cancellation from me or my financial institution and that the origination of ACH transactions to my (our) account must comply with the provisions of U.S. law.

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Joint) and Business title:	Date:	
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Fo	or Use by DATA STRATEGY GROUP	
Vendor Account#	Date Entered Initia	ale:

# ATTACHMENT I – WORKERS' COMPENSATION AFFIDAVIT THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

## **WORKERS' COMPENSATION AFFIDAVIT**

CERTIFICATION OF NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES
(Vendor Name) hereby certifies and affirms that the entity named herein has less than four (4) employees nor uses any subcontractor(s) with four (4) or more employees and will not have four (4) or more employees during the term of this agreement.
I further certify that, if during the period covered by this affidavit the entity named herein becomes an employer with four (4) or more employees or uses subcontractor(s) with four (4) or more employees, a Certificate of Insurance shall be provided to The School Board of Broward County, Florida, within five (5) business days.
With respect to the construction industry, all employment in which one or more employees are employed shall provide evidence of Workers' Compensation coverage.
Signed:
Print/Type Name:
Title:
Sworn to and subscribed before me this day of
Notary Public Signed:
Notary Public Print:
Notary Stamp Below:

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# **ATTACHMENT J - REFERENCES**

# The School Board of Broward County, Florida

<b>Vendor Name:</b>	

List a minimum number of required references as stated in the Special Conditions which show experience in similar work, to include nature and scope of work, which demonstrates an expertise in providing the services as stated herein. Provide scope of work, contact name, addresses, telephone numbers, email addresses and dates of service.

Reference 1 –  Name of Firm: Phone #: Date of Service: Address:	Email:	
Scope of Work:		
Reference 2 –		
Name of Firm: Phone #: Date of Service: Address:	Email:  Cost of Service:	
Scope of Work:		
Reference 3 –  Name of Firm: Phone #: Date of Service: Address:	Email: Cost of Service:	
Scope of Work:		
Reference 4 –  Name of Firm: Phone #:  Date of Service: Address:	Email: Cost of Service:	
Scope of Work:		
Reference 5 –		
Name of Firm:	Contact Person:	
Phone #:	Email:	
Date of Service: Address:	Cost of Service:	
Scope of Work:		

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#### ATTACHMENT K - BID SUMMARY SHEET

### THIS EXCEL FILE MUST BE DOWNLOADED DIRECTLY FROM WWW.DEMANDSTAR.COM

**SPREADSHEET:** Vendor **must** fill out the attached Bid Summary Excel document electronically. No handwritten summary sheets will be accepted. Complete the Excel file and submit in .xls type format with your bid proposal response on the flash drive.

NOTE: Carefully review each tab to ensure all applicable spaces are completed. Below is a list of the tabs:

#### SEE ATTACHED EXCEL (.XLS) BID SUMMARY SHEET TABS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1) Company Representative Must be completed by Proposer
- 2) Line Item Pricing Must be completed by Proposer

# ATTACHMENT L - MAILING LABEL

Please print the mailing label below and affix to your bid package to ease identification when SBBC receives your bid. Affix the mailing label below on the outside of your package even if you are utilizing UPS, FedEx or another carrier who prints the address information.

FROM:	
(Bio	dder's Name)
ГО:	
	The School Board of Broward County, Florida
	Procurement and Warehousing Services
	7720 West Oakland Park Boulevard, Suite 323
	Sunrise, Florida 33351
	,
	ATTN: Al Shelton
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## ATTACHMENT M - NO BID

#### STATEMENT OF "NO RESPONSE"

If your company will not be submitting a response to this Request for Proposal, please complete this Statement of "No Response" Sheet and return, prior to the RFP Due Date established within, to:

The School Board of Broward County, Florida

Procurement & Warehousing Services Department

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Sunrise, Florida 33351

This information will help SBBC in the preparation of future RFPs.

Company I	Name:			
Address: _	Address:			
Telephone	:Facsimile:	E-mail:		
	Reason(s) for "No Response":			
	Unable to comply with product or service specifications.			
	Unable to comply with scope of work.			
	Unable to quote on all items in the group.			
	Insufficient time to respond to the Request for Proposal.			
	Unable to hold prices firm through the term of the contract period.			
	Our schedule would not permit us to perform.			
	Unable to meet delivery requirements.			
	Unable to meet bond requirements.			
	Unable to meet insurance requirements.			
	Other (Specify below)			
Comments	S:			
Signature:		Date:		