



**ROCKFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION
INVITATION FOR BID ON SUPPLIES, MATERIALS, EQUIPMENT OR SERVICES
FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 205
ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS**

IFB No. IFB No. 21-02 Electronic Message Boards

DATE: September 24, 2020

RE: **ADDENDUM NO. 2**

To All Bidders:

Included are modifications, clarifications and/or corrections for the Project Manual and are hereby made a part of the contract documents. Please attach this addendum to the Project Manual(s) in your possession. Please note the receipt of this addendum on the bid form. Bidders shall review changes to all portions of this work as changes to one portion may affect the work of another.

If you plan to hand deliver your IFB submission on the due date, please note you must check in on the 2nd floor prior to coming to the bid opening. Please allow time for this as late submission will not be accepted.

Refer all questions relative to the business aspect, Instructions to Bidders, Special Conditions, and questions concerning the technical aspect of the documents to the Director of Purchasing by email at purchasingdeptstaff@rps205.com.

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By: Dane Youngblood
Director of Purchasing



ADDENDUM NO. 2

Date: September 24, 2020

Project No.: IFB No. 21-02

Project: **21-02 Electronic Message Boards at Three (3) Schools RE-BID**
Rockford Public Schools 205
Rockford, Illinois

Subject: RESA Middle School, Lewis Lemon Elementary School and Guilford High School

From: Rockford Public Schools
501 7th St.
Rockford, Illinois 61104-1221

To: All Bidders / Project Document Holders

Please reproduce this Addendum as needed and attach to the Bid Documents. Take any changes into consideration in preparing your Bid.

Bidders shall indicate receipt of this and all Addenda in the space provided on the Bid Form. Failure to do so may be sufficient cause to reject the bid.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Deuth Fritts, Rockford Public Schools

NOTE: Wherein this Addendum conflicts with the original Project Manual and Drawings, this Addendum shall govern.

RFI's (Questions emailed from bidders / plan holders) with ***Responses from RPS representative:***

1. What size mounting plates, what thickness for the mounting plates, and what size anchors for them, this is for the Guilford location that is going on existing concrete base? ***Response: It is unknown what the condition is of the existing mounting plates and if they can be reused. Include engineering design to determine the mounting method of new steel posts to the existing concrete base. The sign contractor will be responsible for the new sign mounts on the existing concrete base.***
2. Please find attached the documentation needed to request a manufacturer substitution for the above-mentioned project. The manufacturers listed limit our ability to provide high quality LED Message Boards at what we consider a fair price to the district. I ask that you take into consideration our substitution request as it will meet/exceed all specifications listed in the bid. ***Response: The Impact LED Signs 15mm product information submitted indicated a matrix size of 40 x 140 which is 10.49" narrower than the size of the Basis-of-design product and is not acceptable. The acceptable matrix size for the Impact LED Signs 15mm product shall be 40 x 160 to better align with the specified message board sizing. The warranty shall include 5-years on-site parts and labor.***

3. Will vector art be available for Lewis Lemon, and Guilford? Also will need vector art for the Rockford Park District logo for RESA. **Response: Vector (.eps) format files will be provided for the final graphics information.**
4. The district would like a base bid for each site which includes fiber, you are also seeking an alternate bid that eliminates the fiber and ask for wireless antenna communication. The form does not seem to be formatted for this request as it is asking for a base bid for Guilford and then alternates for Lemon and (2) alternates for RESA. **Response: A clarification was attempted in Addendum No. 1. (page 6 of specifications / page 118 of bid document) 3. C... Panel Sign...a. Communication, ii. Alternate Bid description for wireless (for Wi-Fi) refers to RESA Middle School only. Additional clarification for the Bid Form:**
 - Base Bid Guilford fiber**
 - Alternate Bid 1 Lewis Lemon fiber**
 - Alternate Bid 2A RESA fiber**
 - Alternate Bid 2B RESA wireless (for Wi-Fi)**

This Addendum consists of:

Notes - 2 pages

Pre-Bid Conference Opening Statement (Addendum No. 1) – 1 page

End of Addendum No. 2

PRE-BID CONFERENCE OPENING STATEMENT

Welcome to the mandatory pre-bid conference for IFB No. 21-02 Electronic Message Boards for the Rockford Public Schools.

The purpose of this meeting is to receive input, comments, questions, clarifications and suggested changes relative to this solicitation. As a reminder, the only acceptable changes to the Bid/RFP are formal Addenda published by the RPS Purchasing department. Additionally, the Addendum may address other issues identified by the School District.

The goal of today's meeting is to increase your knowledge of the solicitation as it is written and provide an information mechanism in which you may advise the School District of any changes it should make. Consequently, any changes you wish the Rockford Public Schools to consider must be submitted in writing to the Purchasing department before the deadline as expressed in the solicitation.

We will try to answer as many of the questions as possible. If we cannot answer a question today, we will defer that answer to the published Addendum. Additionally, minutes from this pre-bid conference will be published in the Addendum.

- Bid Opening is scheduled for October 1, 2020 at 2:00 pm Rockford Board of Education, 6th floor Conference Room. Late bids will not be accepted. Faxed or emailed bids will not be accepted.
- Board Approval October 13, 2020.
- Bid RFI Procedures - All written correspondence during the bid process **MUST** be sent to Dane Youngblood, Director of Purchasing, via email at PurchasingDeptStaff@rps205.com. Last RFI will be accepted until September 22, 2020 at 12 pm. Last addendum will be issued by September 25, 2020 at 4:30 pm.
- Addenda will be emailed to all attendees at the pre-bid conference, posted on the RPS website and Demand Star.
- PLEASE reference the **REQUIRED FORMS CHECK LIST** for all documents that **must** be submitted with your bid offer form. All forms must be properly completed, signed and submitted or your bid will be deemed non-responsive.