Post Falls School District #273
Transportation Department
Vendor Bid Proposal
Specifications for Three (3) + More 2021/22, 71/72 Passenger Type C, Gas, School Bus

General Instructions

The following bid shall meet or exceed all, 1) Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (FMVSS), 2) requirements of the State of Idaho (latest revision of *Standards for Idaho School Buses and* Operations - SISBO).

Bid Completion

1. Bid must be completed as soon as possible on the enclosed bid documents and signed by the bidding vendor's authorized representative.
2. All submitted bids must be in sealed envelopes marked **SEALED BID-SCHOOL BUSES**. All portions of the bid must be filled out. Partial bid documents will not be accepted.

Bid Quotations

1. All prices quoted shall be for new merchandise.
2. Prices quoted shall include all handling, preparation and transportation costs (FOB Factory).
3. Buses will be bid as a complete, body and chassis unit.

Bid Changes or Withdrawal

1. All changes and/or erasures must be made before the designated date and time of bid opening and initialed by bidder's authorized representative.
2. Bids may not be withdrawn after the bid opening time or prior to the award of the contract.

Acceptance or Rejection of Bid

1. The District reserves the right to accept or reject bids on each item separately or as a whole, to reject any or all bids and to waive informalities.
2. Contracts for purchases will be put into effect by means of purchase order.
3. Bid documents will not be accepted via FAX.

Delivery

1. Time is of the essence. The Post Falls School District will accept delivery any time before Dec 31th, 2021
2. In the event these time lines cannot be met, an alternate date must be specified on the bid.
3. Delivery shall be considered complete when the buses have been 1) presented to the Idaho Department of Education for inspection and have been certified for use

as a school bus by an authorized State of Idaho School Bus Inspector (vendor will be responsible for all inspection costs), and 2) are accepted as meeting bid specifications and district requirements by an authorized school district representative.

4. Bid prices will reflect FOB factory. A separate line is provided for cost of delivery to the Post Falls School District in Post Falls, Idaho.

Evaluation of Bids

1. Bid may be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder.
2. The lowest responsible bid will be based on an evaluation of equipment, model year, cost, delivery schedule and ability to meet technical specifications.
3. Bids considered will be based on the total vehicle cost.
4. A "Yes" or "No" response must be written in for each specified line item – no blank lines.
5. Any "No" response must be explained on the exception form. Any deviation must be noted and explained on the exception form. Failure to comply with bid directions is cause for rejection of a bid.
6. Any discrepancies found at time of delivery will have to be corrected before payment is made.
7. At the discretion of the Post Falls School District, other industrial and/or design specialists may be used in the evaluation process.
8. Bid awards will be made based on the total vehicle cost.

Documentation/Samples

1. Bidder shall provide complete descriptive brochures/pamphlets on offered products.

State Inspections

1. State inspection and acceptance will be at a location prearranged with the Department of Education, Pupil Transportation Section.
2. School Buses that do not comply with the grade of workmanship or type of materials in conformity with specifications will not be accepted.

Exceptions/Variances

1. All exceptions or variances to the bid specifications must be clearly noted in writing on the Exception Form. Failure to do so is cause for rejection of a bid.

Point of Contact

1. Susan Webberding, Transportation Supervisor, Post Falls School District – 208-773-4217

Trade-in Vehicles

1. **ONE (1)** (see bid summery sheet for description).

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Specifications

The Post Falls School District requests bid submissions for Three (3)+ More

2021/22 model year, 71-72 passenger Type-C, Gas, school bus.

Chassis

	A yes or no response must be indicated Y/N
Chassis must be manufactured and assembled in the U.S.A.	yes
Type-C Bus Chassis – 2020/21 Model Year	yes
Wheel Base – Wheel Base – approximately 276" to accommodate a 72 passenger bus body with 71 passenger seating.	yes
Front Axle – 10,000 lbs capacity; with oil bath hubs, unitized oil bath seals and pre-filled with 50w synthetic lube.	yes
Rear Axle – 21,000 lbs capacity; full-floating with an automatic traction control differential and pre-filled with 75w-90 synthetic lube.	yes
Propeller Shaft / Driveline – must have greasable universal joints.	yes
Rear Axle Ratio – shall be designed to a achieve maximum fuel economy while limiting maximum road speed to 70 mph.	yes
Front Suspension – minimum front spring capacity of 9,000 lbs.	yes
Rear Air Suspension – Minimum rear air spring capacity of 19,000 lbs (must be self leveling).	yes
Air Brakes – "S" cam type	yes
1) Must be equipped with air dryer and automatic moisture ejector with heater. (spin on type)	yes
2) Air compressor capacity 13.2 cu. Ft. minimum.	yes
3) Automatic pull pawl slack adjusters front and rear.	yes
Wheels - The chassis shall be equipped with six (6), ten-stud hub piloted disc wheels (black).	yes
1) All wheels are to have a width of 8.25 inches.	yes
2) Each chassis shall be equipped with a spare wheel and "highway" tire that matches the wheel/tire combination on the steer axle.	yes

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Chassis

A yes or no response must be indicated **Y/N**

Tires – The chassis shall be equipped with six (6) "fully balanced" tires.

1) Front tires: 295x75x22.5 "Highway Tread". Yes
2) Rear tires: 295x75x22.5 "Traction Tread". yes
3) Tubeless, full steel belted radial construction, 14 ply load range G. yes
4) Tires shall be of equal quality but not restricted to the following brands: Bridgestone, Firestone and Goodyear yes

Automatic Tire Chains – Air activated, driver controlled. Onspot, Rotogrip and Insta-Chain brands are acceptable. yes

Fuel Tank – Rear mounted one hundred (100) gallon capacity. yes

Bumpers – Front and rear, Heavy duty square channel steel capable of supporting the weight of the bus on a bumper jack. yes

Tow Hooks – Front and rear, mounted directly to the chassis. yes

Power Train

A yes or no response must be indicated **Y/N**

Engine – Gas; 8.8L minimum equipped with the following:

1) Racor brand fuel filter with heating element. Yes
2) Water in fuel separator. yes
3) 750 watt, 110 volt engine block heater. yes
4) Electric starting grid to assist starting and warm-up. yes
5) Fast idle switch (computer controlled). yes
6) Noise abatement package. yes

Road Speed Control – To be set for a maximum road speed of 67 mph. yes

Charging System –

1) Alternator: 200 amp minimum. Delco Ramy 28si w/smart wire. yes
2) Batteries: (3) three heavy duty, 1800 cold cranking amps minimum. yes

Transmission – Allison 2500 minimum no exceptions (Automatic) yes

1) Dash mounted shifter. yes
2) Heavy-duty cooling package. yes
3) Pre-filled with Castrol "Transynd" fluid. yes

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Power Train

A yes or no response must be indicated	Y/N
Radiator – Heavy-duty, tubular type; equipped with the following:	yes
1) Low coolant warning system.	yes
2) Coolant recovery system. Surge tank accessible from the ground.	yes
3) Viscous clutch type or electric fan drive.	
4) Red Extended life antifreeze	yes
Exhaust – Aluminized steel with rear exit.	yes

Bus Body

A yes or no response must be indicated	Y/N
Body Type – Seventy two (72) passenger, type-C body with standard headroom. Outside with16 gauge steel side sheets	yes
Tilt Hood – No more than 15lbs pull.	yes
Winter Front (grill cover) - Removable	yes
Passenger Seating – Bus to be seated for 71 passengers.	yes
1) 39" seat width plan	yes
2) 28" or more knee spacing between seats (not minimum spacing)	yes
3) Upholstery: Green 52oz. vinyl with no welt edges.	yes
Front Seat Barriers – To be equipped with "modesty panels".	yes
Driver's Seat – High back, bucket type, air suspension seat with damper.	yes
1) 8-way adjustable.	yes
2) Shoulder/Lap belt adjustable for driver's height.	yes
Instrument Panel – All gauges shall be within easy view of the driver.	
1) All gauges shall be illuminated.	yes
2) Speedometer with odometer and trip-meter.	yes
3) Tachometer	yes
4) Fuel	yes
5) Oil pressure	yes
6) Water Temperature	yes
7) Amp meter and volt meter.	yes
8) Air pressure	yes
9) Transmission temperature	yes

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Bus Body

A yes or no response must be indicated **Y/N**

Wiring – Color coded and continuously numbered. yes
1) Driver's control panel supply solenoid controlled by ignition switch. yes
2) Railroad crossing switch to control power to heaters and accessories. yes
3) Lighted hazard (4-way flasher) light switch mounted on driver's control panel.
4) Circuit breakers (fuses not acceptable). yes

yes

Lights – LED
1) Sixteen light monitor, within easy view of driver. yes
2) 8-Way warning lights wired to flash red only after amber. yes
3) Directional signals with arrows. yes
4) Front fender mounted directional signals. yes
5) Dome lights: minimum of three on each side, rear most on separate yes
6) Driver's dome light with separate switch. yes
7) Driver Alert System 7500/on rear outside back door (LED) yes

Stop Arm – Automatic, electric with LED strobe lights and heating element to prevent freeze up. no

Steering Column – Tilt and telescoping column yes

Windshield – Shaded top / 3 piece Windshield maximum. / pull down shade type driver's side sun shield. yes

Windshield Wipers – Heavy-duty electric yes
1) Multi-speed with intermittent/delay switch. yes
2) "Wet arm" style. yes
3) Must park out of driver's vision. yes

Service Door – exterior must be painted to match body color (chrome yellow) yes
1) Electric actuated automatic (power) open/close. Turn style lock on door not side of bus yes
2) Full length handrail both sides of stairs (stainless or chrome). yes
3) Entry Stair well must be 35 inches wide (All steps) yes
4) Equipped with "vandal-lock" system for activity trips. yes

Emergency Doors and Exits –
1) Rear emergency door equipped with audible door ajar warning, "vandal-lock" system. Rear door hinges cannot be exposed to elements yes
2) Exit windows and roof hatches equipped with audible ajar warning.
3) Frost free glazing for driver window, service door and first 2 passenger windows on right side.
4) Tinted passenger windows 28%

Horn/ Backup Alarm / Air Horn type / backup alarm to be 112 decibels

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Bus Body

A yes or no response must be indicated **Y/N**

Mirrors – (All exterior side mirrors to be heated and remotely controlled)
1) Heated rearview (side view) mirrors and remotely controlled. — yes
2) Heated Mirror/lite "Bus Boy" (or equivalent) crossover mirrors with separate lighted switch on driver's control panel. — yes

Heater/Defrosters – Total output 265,000 BTU per. Min. — yes
1) ¼ turn ball valve shut-offs at engine. — yes
2) 12 volt heater booster pump. — yes

Trash Container – Must meet Dept. of Ed. Standards. — yes

Am/Fm/P.A. Radio – — yes
1) Four speakers with driver's control — yes
2) No speaker in driver's area. — yes

Video Surveillance System –
1) GATEKEEPER/ REI SYSTEMS – Y58 DVR with 500GB hard drive. — yes
2) Driver Alert Button with Status LED's.
3) Interior cameras- 4x WA11 (160 degree) cameras plus Stop arm Cameras/SP15 license plate reader and TXM for overview. — yes

"Glove Box" – Locking storage compartment for driver's items. — yes
Storage Compartment - Storage compartment up over driver's seat. — yes

Interior Color –
1) Sides and roof shall be green or gray. — yes
2) Inside lower panels shall be aluminized, non-scratch steel. — yes

Floor –
1) Marbled green or gray heavy-duty floor covering, smooth under seats, ribbed in the center aisles and steps. — yes
2) 5/8"" Marine plywood over steel. — yes
3) Metal molding on floor seams and aisle seams. — yes

Insulation –
1) Fiberglass insulation in roof, sides, and bulkheads. — yes
2) Noise abatement package in driver's area, noise level not to exceed 83 decibels. — yes

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Tool/Chain Compartment – Locking external right rear mounted. yes

Exterior Luggage Compartments- on both sides of the bus. yes

Mud Flaps – Front and rear yes

1) Rubber spray guard on rear wheel opening ("Fenderettes"). yes

Bus Body

A yes or no response must be indicated **Y/N**

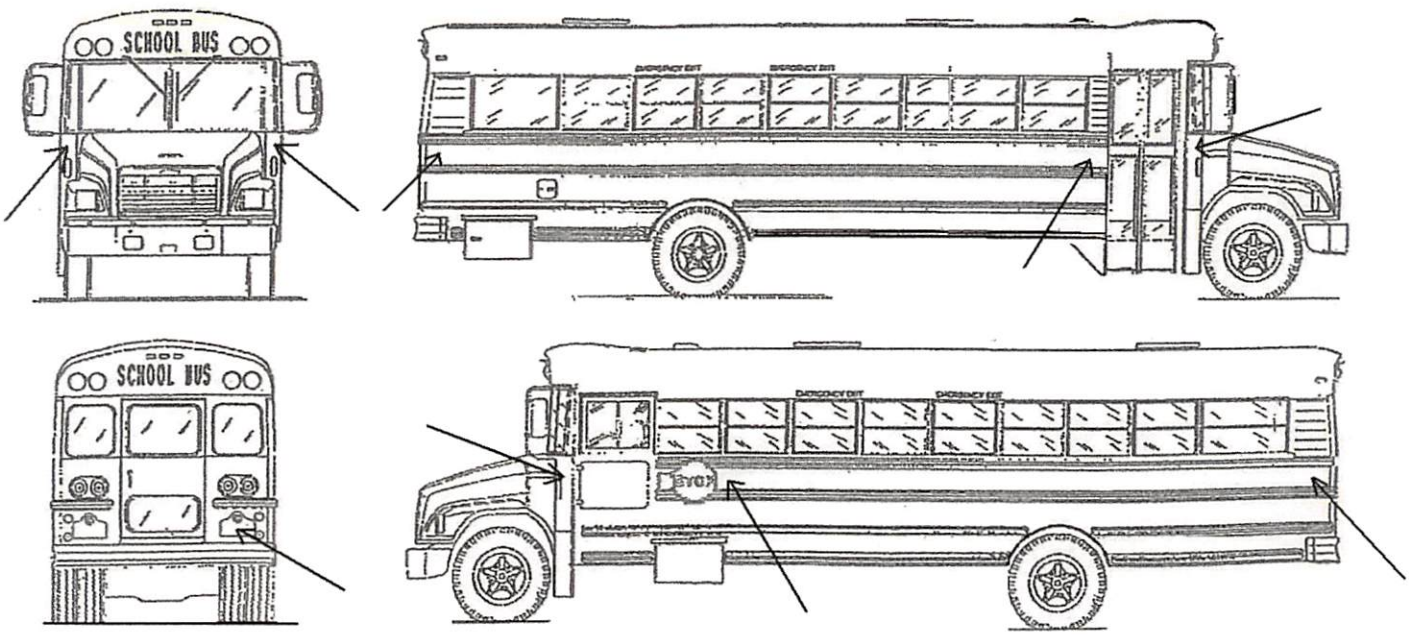
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Paint/Lettering –

1) Six (6) black 6" numbers as per district specs for placement (numbered 22 &17 & 37). yes
2) All reflective material shall meet National School Transportation Specifications & Procedures (AKA National Standards) Placement of Reflective Markings requirements. yes
3) "Post Falls School District #273 on the belt line on both sides of the bus in 6" letters (Post Falls is two words). yes

Bus number placement for Post Falls School Dist. #273
Six (6) black 6" numbers as per district specs for placement.(Numbered 22 &17 & 37)

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Warranty and Service

DOCUMENTS AND PUBLICATIONS – Bidders are required to furnish with their bids basic specifications, chassis/body layout drawings and a sample warranty. A list of all Special Equipment (including parts numbers, color code, etc.) used on the chassis/body must be furnished. Successful bidders shall furnish the following items for each chassis/body that is purchased:

1) Idaho Application for Certificate of Title. — Yes
2) Operator's manual. — yes
3) Warranty certificate. — yes
4) One (1) Parts and Service/Repair Manual for body/chassis in hard-copy form, on CD-ROM, or a downloadable PDF file containing the required information. All vehicle information furnished must pertain to the specific model being purchased. If furnished, these files and CD's must contain an index with page numbers. Note: Must be able to load CD-ROM on computer hard drive. — yes
5) Manufacturer's Statement of Origin. — yes
6) One build sheet (line-setting ticket) including all parts information

relating to the chassis/body, to include all engine information (S/N) and transmission information (S/N). NOTE: Service policies, line setting tickets, parts and service/repair manuals and warranty cards shall be available during the Idaho New Bus Inspection.

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Summary of Bid

Vendor's Company Name: Harlows bus Sales

Address: 8275 US Hwy 10 W, Bldg 2, Missoula, MT 59808

Telephone: 406-370-3202

Total Cost Per Bus: $ 96,942.01

Trade-in Vehicles

Bus
Passenger Type C
VIN:

$ 500

Bus

Passenger Type C

VIN:

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Total Bid Cost: $ 290,326.03

Total Delivery Cost: $ included

TOTAL COST: $ 290,326.03

Easton Soley

Signature of Company Representative Submitting Bid

7-29-21

Date

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ITEM	IDENTIFY ITEM (Must Meet SISBO where applicable)	COST (Indicate Increase (+) or Decrease (-) to Basic Bus Bid
2-Way Radio	To be installed by PFSD	$ N/A
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Exception Form

List item descriptions and exceptions below

Item: with all Idaho bids moving forward, time frames during Covid can vary due to lack of Parts for all bus manufactures. We will work to get the buses delivered Prior to Dec. 31st. 2021. In the event we cannot make this deadline it would be a week to week basis. as of now bus builds are out 4mo.

Item: Stop arm heating element.

Item:

Item:

Item:

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Exception Form

List item descriptions and exceptions below

Item: _____

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Warranty and Service

Note: Delayed Warranty
Body and chassis manufacturers' warranty policies shall allow revision of a warranty start date for each vehicle to the actual in-service date by the school district. Appropriate forms to update chassis warranty shall be included in the owner-operator's packet supplied with the chassis and shall be conveyed along with the body warranty to the body builder, to the district upon delivery of the completed unit. Above requirements shall apply to the basic warranties, all component warranties and any extended warranties offered or required.

Specify duration of warranty(time/miles)

Chassis: 2yr.

Specify agent providing service: RWC - Spokane Harlows - Missoula

Engine: 5yr

Specify agent providing service: RWC - Spokane Harlows - Missoula

Transmission: 7yr

Specify agent providing service: RWC - Spokane Harlows - Missoula

Body: 2yr.

Specify agent providing service: RWC - Spokane Harlows - Missoula

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www.harlowsbussales.com

August 17, 2021

Bryson Sales & Service, Inc.
PO Box 789
Centerville, UT 84014

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Thank you for submitting a bid for three (3) seventy-one (71) passenger school buses for the Post Falls School District. The bid results were as follows:

Vendor	Bid	Delivery	Total Cost
Bryson Sales	$276,435.00	$11,400	$287,835.00
Harlow's Bus Sales	$290,326.03	Included	$290,326.03

The Board of Trustees awarded the bid to Byrson Sales, the low bidder, at their meeting on August 9, 2021.

Sincerely,

Kerri Zeller
Clerk of the Board