

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT TO RUN FOR THREE (3) DAYS BEGINNING ON DECEMBER 19TH:

Regional School District #7 is accepting bids for: School Activities Bus Agricultural Education.

Bids due Tuesday, January 17th, 2023 at 1:15 PM, Agricultural Education, 100 Battistoni Drive, Winsted, CT. Specifications obtainable from the Ag Ed Dept. 860-379-9013.

December 15, 2022

Dear Madam or Sir:

Would you please submit to us by Tuesday, January 17th, 2023 at 1:15 P.M. a bid on the items as explained on the attached pages. **Your letter should be identified on the envelope as "Ag Ed Equipment Bid." This is a sealed bid process – PLEASE DO NOT FAX YOUR BID – Faxed replies will not be accepted.**

The items listed, when ordered, shall be delivered to Northwestern Regional School, 100 Battistoni Drive, Winsted, CT 06098, within thirty (30) days of the date of the purchase order or a date as specified in your bid letter.

- **Bid prices submitted shall include installation (when specified), shipping and handling charges, if any, as well as provide a performance contract as per state regulations where applicable. The Agricultural Education unit of Northwestern Regional School District #7 is a governmental body and is therefore tax exempt.**
- Upon delivery of items the successful bidder shall supply two (2) sets each of any instruction manuals, electrical schematics, and equipment maintenance and service manuals for each piece of equipment (duplicate items exempt).
- The successful bidder shall furnish all labor, materials, appliances and equipment necessary for complete installation of items specified.
- Bid to include delivery to building, all required inspections and registrations (DMV, etc.), unpacking, setting in place, full installation, leveling and any other activity to make specified items fully operational.
- Bids must provide an estimated delivery date.
- The equipment contractor shall examine the space in which equipment is to be installed to assure that conditions are satisfactory for the installation of this equipment and report to the owner in writing any deficiencies affecting specified work.
- The successful bidder shall remove all debris and rubbish resulting from the delivery and installation of specified items.

- The successful bidder shall provide training for the instructional staff where applicable.

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- Items may be listed by model/catalog number of a specified manufacturer or supplier. The model/catalog number will identify the minimum quality level and specifications to be met for each item by the successful bidder.
- Multiple items bid on shall be line itemized with pricing for each item. Failure to do so will disqualify a bid proposal.
- Substitution of equipment is permitted, except where noted, providing the equipment offered is equal in quality, performance, and general appearance to the item listed. Any such substitution shall state the name of the manufacturer and shall be accompanied by a description covering the proposed item. Owner will be solely responsible for determining comparability of substituted items.
- When substitution of equipment is made, the bidder will explain in his/her bid these differences. Failure to do so will disqualify a bid proposal.
- Catalog cuts or other descriptive literature must be provided with each bid.
- Owner reserves the right to accept or reject any bid, or any part of any bid, if it is considered in the best interest of the owner to do so.
- Bids shall not be accepted from any bidder, who within the previous 36 months from the date of this request, has failed to execute and perform upon any submitted/accepted bid or any other obligation made to the Agricultural Education Program of Northwestern Regional School District #7.
- All bidders shall be bound to their bid for a term of 60 days from the time and date of the bid opening which shall be conducted in the Agricultural Education Office, 100 Battistoni Drive, Winsted, CT 06098 on Tuesday, January 17th, 2023 at 1:15 P.M.

Any questions relating to bid documents should be directed to Mia J. Haaland, Program Director at 860-379-9013.

Sincerely,

Mia J. Haaland
Ag Ed Program Director

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PLEASE BID ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

Vo-Ag Student Activity Bus

Quantity

Description

1 2023 or newer 32 Passenger School Activities Bus to include:

MINIMUM SPECIFICATIONS:

- 32 passenger type C MFSAB, New – 2023 model or newer
- Overall length 37ft max
- Cummins B6.7 diesel engine, 220HP, with cruise, Governed for 75 MPH
- 275 amp alternator minimum
- Air brakes with air system dryer / Air ride suspension rear
- 100 gallon fuel tank
- Master disconnect switch
- Heaters – stepwell, driver, and 84k minimum floor heater rear
- A/C – 126k BTU minimum freeblow air conditioning – front and rear bulkhead evaporators, LS skirt mounted condenser
- Luggage – 100" long under body storage compartment right side, with pneumatic hold-open (lockable and weather tight)
- Tinted windows
- Perforated/acoustic headliner
- Bus painted white with white reflective tape around emergency exits
- Air-operated entrance door with vandal lock / Vandal lock rear door
- Locking fuel door and battery door
- Seating for 32 passengers in cloth activity seats, lap belts, dual arm rests, 9 rows left side and 7 rows right side to allow for extra storage space
- Air dual shock driver seat, heated, with arm rest right side
- Rear view mirrors – heated/motorized, heated cross view mirrors
- Tilt / telescoping steering wheel
- AM/FM/PA radio with Aux input
- Back up camera – monitor integrated into interior rear view mirror
- Overhead book racks with reading lights
- USB ports at each seat
- Black snap-in aisle strips, or one piece flooring. No metal aisle strips.
- Upgraded undercoating – FleetShield UnderGuard self-healing, high-performance undercoating
- Stepwell coating – Tuffcoat
- Tuffcoat coated front bumper
- White winter front radiator cover
- Cargo net for rear luggage storage area
- Must provide any/all warranty information
- **This vehicle must meet all current applicable Federal and CT MFSAB regulations**
- **This vehicle must be delivered previously inspected and registered by CT DMV**

