



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

IFB No. **24-26 Special Needs Transportation**

DATE: **February 29, 2024**

RE: **ADDENDUM NO. 4**

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 1st 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.

CLARIFICATIONS

This addendum includes requests for information (RFI) to date and corresponding answers.

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By: Dane Youngblood
Director of Purchasing

CLARIFICATIONS

Below are requests for information (RFI) to date and corresponding answers.

1. Do the companies that responded with no bid or were initially disqualified get the opportunity to provide a best and final offer?
 - a. Any company that submitted a bid will be able to submit best and final pricing as long as it conforms to the Bid Offer Form.
2. Do any new companies have the opportunity to participate in the best and final offer?
 - a. No.
3. Are bidders required to own or lease their own vehicles or are they permitted to subcontract to another party or vendor?
 - a. Subcontracting is allowed as long as it is cost effective.
4. With curb-to-curb what is the expectation of how long the bus route/ride can be?
 - a. In most cases we try to keep the curb-to-curb routes to an hour or less. There are occasions where this is not possible.
5. For the sample invoice you will need the ridership divided into the different codes for state reimbursement and the different grants, correct?
 - a. We are asking bidders to submit how they would propose billing us.
6. On the QTY section of the Bid Offer Form are you asking how many vehicles we can provide, or does it refer to the number of students per vehicle?
 - a. Lines 1-5 are asking how many routes/buses you would run on a daily basis to transport those students. We will use the quantity of buses times the unit cost to determine the total daily cost of transportation to the District.
7. On the Unit of Measure section of the Bid Offer Form, what type of bus are you referring to? Type A, B, C?
 - a. Any type of bus may be utilized, we are not specifying one type.
8. Can a bidder submit a bid on only part of the contract? We would like to bid on where we complement the yellow bus to provide sedans & SUVs.
 - a. Yes, you may submit bids for any or all of the lines items, but you must submit pricing for at least one of lines 1-6.
9. Can we provide quotes per route or can we provide quotes for each student/vehicle?
 - a. Lines 1-5 require pricing per route. Line 6 requires pricing per student for additional childhood transportation, should you select that option.