

**SKOKIE SCHOOL DISTRICT 69
PRE- PROPOSAL QUESTIONS ADDENDUM 1**

- Copy current invoices and pricing

[Linked](#) are the General Education K-8 and Special Education PreK - 8 invoices from the last 3 months (Dec 23, Jan 23, Feb 23). Invoices do not include charter and field trip routes

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- In the current bell time scenario are all the Lincoln High routes paired with elementary schools? Can you provide a breakdown of how the routes are set? I'm trying to see how many buses are actually needed to run this service.

The Lincoln Junior High School large bus routes are triple routed with the elementary schools so the nine (9) buses should run three (3) back to back routes. Our current provider did not have the capacity to run both Overture Routes using separate bus drivers, so the Madison route combined 2 routes in the morning and has 8 routes to school and 9 routes returning.

Our preference is 9 buses for each school, in addition the 2 overture (before school band and orchestra) routes should run at the same time as the Madison elementary routes and not be paired.

For SpEd buses, currently, 5 buses are used (with 3 buses doing double routes), but the ability to double routes will depend on the number of SpEd students assigned each year and the length of the route:

- For Madison/Edison/Lincoln PreK AM SpEd routes, 3 routes to/from (one per school, although there may be a need for more buses based on SpEd placement)
- For Madison/Edison/Lincoln PreK PM SpEd routes, 3 routes to/from (one per school, although there may be a need for more buses based on SpEd placement)
- For Madison/Edison/Lincoln K-8 SpEd routes, 5 routes to/from (3 at Madison, 1 at Edison, 1 at Lincoln, although there may be a need for more buses based on SpEd placement)

Wheelchair-accessible bus needs are dependent on the student population, currently 1 wheelchair-accessible bus is used to transport 2 students.

- Provide list of requirements for the SPED routes. Are wheelchair buses needed? If so how many? Can the SPED routes be run with regular full size buses?

We need accommodations based on the needs of the students- some accommodations we currently have are seat belts, 5 point harness, wheelchair lifts

We will need wheelchair buses based on the needs of the students and enrollment. We currently have 2 students with a wheelchair bus requirement at Lincoln Jr. High (1 bus).

Yes, SPED routes can be run on regular size buses, however we do have small roads or alleys in our district boundaries, where a regular bus will not be able to turn.

- Proposed Appendix B timings do you expect less buses to be tiered?

Yes, for the alternative scenario in Appendix B, we anticipate requiring 18 large buses for the K-8 Gen Ed routes, with 9 buses to run double routes at Madison Elementary/Lincoln Jr. High and 9 buses to run single routes at Edison Elementary. This is one consideration for the 25-26 school year or beyond, but is currently not board-approved.

- Pre bid meeting to discuss parameters?

District 69 will not be holding a pre-bid meeting. We will release all questions asked by March 22nd, 2024 and April 1, 2024.

- Provide copy of the current bus routes

We will not be able to provide you with the exact route sheets. District 69 boundaries can be found [here](#).