

Questions & Answers regarding SPED Home to School Transportation Services

BID NO. TRA-097-05-24-658

Q: Will the district consider extending the submission deadline to June 13? This will give enough time for bidders to appropriately respond to issued addendum and allow time for shipping need?

A: The reason for the date is that the last board meeting for the school year is June 20th. There are no board meetings in July or August.

Q: Is there a way to commit to having the answers out sooner by chance? Any major changes made less than 48 hours before the bid is due could make things difficult for delivery.

A: Amendment 1 addressing the earlier date was sent out on 5/22/24
Amendment 2 update the number of students and the contractors start date, page 11 sent out 05/31/2024.

Q: Due to the California Governor declaring an end to the COVID-19 state of emergency, will the district consider waiving the request for bidders to provide a COVID-19 response plan and vaccination status certification?

A: Yes, the request for bidders to provide a COVID-19 response plan and vaccination status certification will be waived.

Q: Who is the current vendor/s?

A: IQ Business Connection (FKA: Yellow Checker Cab Co.)

Q: What is the current vendor/s rates?

A: Pricing Formula per Trip (one way)

Trip Minimum: Includes the first 7 miles = \$35.00

Per Mile: Applicable after 7 miles = \$ 3.00

When applicable and in addition to the minimum and mileage

Car Seat: \$25.00

Wheelchair: \$20.00

Aide: \$ N/A

Wait Time (per hour after 10 minutes): \$30.00

\$0.33 (amount) applied per mile for each 0.50 cent increase in the AMRP dollar per gallon.

N/A: No fuel surcharge will be charged to the District.

Q: We are wondering whether there is any flexibility with the minimum insurance requirements listed in the document given that our company only operates passenger vehicles (less than 7 passenger capacity) and not large buses or vans. The limits listed here are higher than those of our current policies.

A: We are unable to be flexible with the insurance requirements at this time.