

**SWEET HOME CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
OF AMHERST AND TONAWANDA**

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TO: Michael V. Ginestre, Superintendent of Schools
 FROM: Donald G. Feldmann, Asst. Superintendent for Finance & Plant Services
 DATE: May 31, 2023
 RE: School Bus Parts Bid 2023-24-19

Background:

Bid specifications for School Bus Parts Bid were developed from researching the most often needed parts used by the Transportation Department that were purchased on a regular basis. Specifications were reviewed by the Business Office as well as Transportation Supervisor Scott Kennedy and Head Mechanic Ben Bechmann. These parts include items for repairing brakes, replacing lights, batteries, fuses and tires in addition to regular periodic maintenance of our fleet such as oil changes. After being posted in the Amherst and KenTon Bee, bid documents containing a detail listing of 63 items were mailed to 37 potential suppliers and bids were received from 20 vendors. Due to the specialized/unique nature of many of the items requested, multiple vendors will be required to meet the needs of our District.

Bid Tabulation:

The table below summarizes the bid results:

Vendor	Items Bid	Bid Amount
Advance Auto Parts	50	\$26,925.93
Finger Lakes Chemical	5	\$1,125.38
Fleet Maintenance Inc.	21	\$13,406.24
Hurtubise Tire	3	\$9,430.80
Kenworth Northeast	11	\$7,975.48
Leonard Bus Sales	42	\$28,920.21
Matthews Buses	26	\$19,292.78
McCarty Tire	3	\$8,855.60
NAPA Auto Parts	47	\$43,496.37
NY Bus Sales	39	\$23,774.83
Parmenter, Inc.	3	\$8,506.00
Preischel Brothers Service	3	\$12,118.00
Superior Lubricants	5	\$10,253.00
Transport Services & Brake Sales	22	\$15,842.55
Tri-Star Distributing	6	\$6,281.66
Truck Pro, Inc.	23	\$18,567.99
Unity School Bus Parts	13	\$3,358.18
Valley Tire Company	3	\$10,368.68
Vehicle Maintenance Program	31	\$8,556.51
Bus Parts Warehouse	No Remark	No Remark

Bid Recommendation:

The bid results were forwarded to the Transportation Supervisor and the Head Bus Mechanic of the bus garage for the selection of specific items based upon the lowest responsible bid price and meeting bid specifications. Based on this information, **it is recommended that the School Bus Parts Bid 2023-24-19 award be split between the following bidders in the amount of \$46,729.30:**

Vendor	Items Awarded	Bid Amount
Advance Auto Parts	5	\$2,752.32
Finger Lakes Chemical	4	\$803.90
Fleet Maintenance Inc.	2	\$1,926.46
Leonard Bus Sales	6	\$581.57
Matthews Buses	13	\$6,218.07
NAPA Auto Parts	11	\$2,451.97
NY Bus Sales	9	\$6,285.98
Parmenter, Inc.	3	\$8,506.00
Superior Lubricants	3	\$8,913.00
Tri-Star Distributing	1	\$4,990.00
Truck Pro, Inc.	5	\$3,621.39
Unity School Bus Parts	1	\$38.64
Total Awarded	63	\$46,729.30

Listed below are the award amounts for the last three years (Including the current year award):

Bid Year	Total Award Amount	Items Awarded
2023-24	\$46,729.30	63
2022-23	\$48,453.08	69
2021-22	\$39,744.54	69