

LAKEWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION

COMMITTEE EVALUATION REPORT

CC 04-2425

PUBLIC SCHOOL PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

Proposals for CC 04-2425 were received on September 18, 2024, @ 10:00 a.m. Two (2) responses were received and recorded. Tender Touch Educational Services and Tree of Knowledge Learning Academy, each submitted a response to this advertised solicitation which were reviewed and scored by an Evaluation Committee based on a 100 point Rubric as follows:

Tender Touch Educational Services:

	Technical	Management	Cost	Total Score	
	Max 35 pts	Max 40 pts	Max 25 pts		
Scorer #1	33	35			
Scorer #2	33.5	36			
Scorer #3	32	35			
Average	32.83	35.33	13.31	81.47 points	

Tree of Knowledge Learning Academy:

	Technical	Management	Cost	Total Score	
	Max 35 pts	Max 40 pts	Max 25 pts		
Scorer #1	18	24			
Scorer #2	18	24.5			
Scorer #3	18	25			
Average	18	24.5	25	67.50 points	

Tree of Knowledge:

Technical Criteria

- Did not clarify they would have 2 kindergarten classes of no more than 12 students per class – Loss of 1 point
- Did not clarify they would operate in accordance with the Lakewood School District calendar for 180 days- Loss of 1 point
- Did not list all services to be rendered with an explanation in detail on how they will provide the services – Lost 5 points
- Did not provide evidence of how a preschool program was provided to other public/private schools in NJ – Lost 5 points
- Did not provide evidence of experience in providing Preschool Program and Kindergarten Program for classified students – Lost 5 points

Management Criteria

- Did not indicate the requirements of staff per class and their experience and education as set forth in the specification. – Lost 1 point
- Only provided 5 resumes/credentials of the 11 required for Highly Qualified Staff. – Lost 4 points
- Did not indicate they would provide 2 full time substitutes on staff as required – Lost 1 point
- Did not provide NJDOE Cert for staff member – Lost ½ point
- Provided copies of resumes but did not supply certifications and fingerprinting of administrative staff – Lost 4 points
- Supplied 2 Speech Therapist resumes, certifications and fingerprints out of the requested 4 – Lost 1 point
- Provided 2 Occupational Therapist resumes but the District requested both Occupational and Physical Therapist resumes. – Lost 1 point
- Inclusion Specialist does not indicate 10+ years of experience as required – Lost ½ point
- No Inclusion Specialist resumes provided – Lost 2 points
- No evidence the Service Provider is approved by the NJDOE for delivery of these services – Lost 1 point

Tender Touch

Technical Criteria

- Tender touch provided a proposal page with an obvious error in the pricing. They indicated the annual cost per student of the program would be \$4,150. Their provided budget report to support this cost indicated the cost per pupil is \$41,500.
- Specifications indicated the times the program will be run. Tender Touch did not indicate the times of the program Lost ½ point
- Did not indicate the times of the program for Preschool and Kindergarten per the specs. Lost ½ point
- Did not indicate the program will run in accordance with the Lakewood District calendar for 180 days – Lost 1 point

Management Criteria

- No evidence provided that each class will have 1 teacher and 1 highly qualified paraprofessional with the qualifications requested – Lost 1 point
- Provided resumes of 7 Highly Qualified staff members out of the requested 11 – Lost 3 points

The District will not proceed with an award for CC 04-2425 as it has been determined that it is not in the best interest of the District at this time, and therefore pursuant to NJSA 18A:18A-22(c), the Board of Education has decided to abandon this project for provision or performance of goods or services.