

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Occupational Therapy Services

NOTICE is hereby given that the Egg Harbor City Board of Education is accepting sealed proposals for Occupational Therapy Services on or before **10:00 a.m. on May 22, 2024**. Proposals should be submitted on the required forms, in a sealed container or envelope labeled **Occupational Therapy Services** and delivered to the Office of the Business Administrator as provided below:

Egg Harbor City School District
Attn: Allyson Milazzo, Business Administrator
730 Havana Avenue
Egg Harbor City, NJ 08215

The Board assumes no responsibility for bids that are improperly mailed or misdirected. No proposals, under any circumstances, shall be received after the time designated in the advertisement.

Upon release of this RFP, all Contractor communications concerning this information request must be directed in writing no later than 4:00 p.m. on May 10th, 2024 to the Business Administrator, who is the only authorized contact person for the RFP. Any contact or lobbying regarding this RFP with any elected, appointed official or employee of the School District other than the Business Administrator can and will result in disqualification. Any oral communications will be considered unofficial and non-binding on the School District.

Interested parties may obtain specifications from School Business Administrator Allyson Milazzo, Egg Harbor City Board of Education, via email at amilazzo@eggharborcityschools.com or telephone at 609-965-1034 x101.

The Board of Education does not accept electronic (e-mail) submission of proposals at this time. All respondents are required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., and N.J.A.C. 17:27 et seq.

Statement of Ownership Requirement: Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2, Bidders shall submit a statement setting forth the names and addresses of all persons and entities that own ten percent or more of its stock or interest of any type at all levels of ownership. Respondents must also submit all affirmative action documentation.

A Non-Collusion Affidavit and a Contractor Questionnaire/Certification also must be filed with the proposal. The proposal package will also include other documents that must be completed and returned with the proposal. Failure to complete and submit all required forms may be cause for disqualification and rejection of the proposal.

The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any or all proposals pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-2(s), (t), (x), (y), 18A:18A-4(a), 18A:18A-22, and to waive minor informalities or non-material exceptions, that may be in the best interest of the Board. All proposals solicited and received are done so pursuant to the Competitive Contracting Process. N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-4.1 et seq.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION—EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

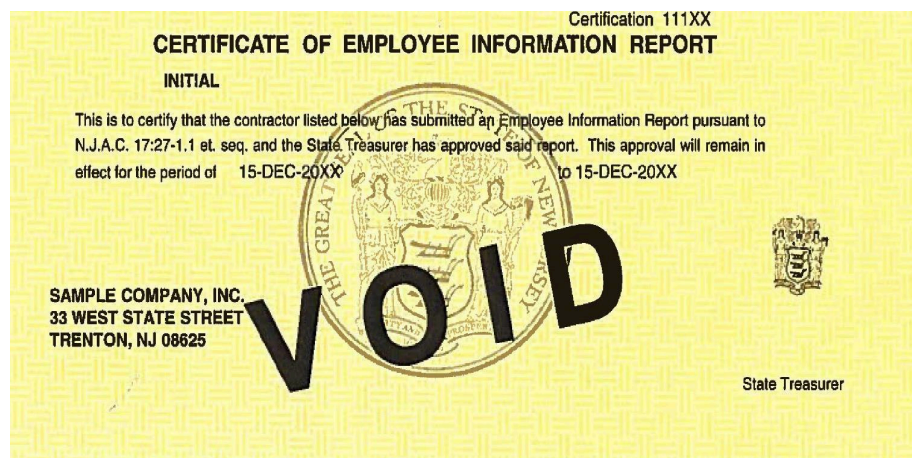
Each company shall submit to the Board of Education, after notification of award, but prior to execution of a goods and services contract, **one** of the following three documents:

- Appropriate evidence that the contractor is operating under an existing federally approved or sanctioned affirmative action program;
- A certificate of Employee Information Report approval issued in accordance with N.J.A.C.17:27-4; or
- The successful bidder (respondent) shall complete an Employee Information Report, Form AA-302, and submit it to the Division of Purchase and Property Contract Compliance and Audit Unit with a check or money order for \$150.00 made payable to the Treasurer, State of NJ and forward a **copy** of the form and check/money order to the board of education. Upon submission and review by the Division, the Report shall constitute evidence of compliance with the regulations.

Please note: A completed and signed Affirmative Action Questionnaire is requested with submission of bid/proposal. However, the Board will accept in lieu of the Questionnaire, Affirmative Action Evidence in the form of a current Certificate of Employee Information Report submitted with the bid/proposal.

If awarded a contract your company/firm will be required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27 et seq., and the terms and conditions of the Mandatory Equal Employment Opportunity Language—Exhibit A.

Sample Certificate of Employee Information Report



All respondents are requested to submit with their response, a copy of their firm's Certificate of Employee Information Report. Failure to submit the Certificate or other required documents prior to the execution or award of contract will result in the rejection of the bid/proposal.

ANTI-BULLYING BILL OF RIGHTS—REPORTING OF HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION AND BULLYING CONTRACTED SERVICE PROVIDER

When applicable, the contracted service provider shall comply with all applicable provisions of the New Jersey Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act—N.J.S.A. 18A:37-13.1 et seq., all applicable code and regulations, and the Anti-Bullying Policy of the Board of Education. The district shall provide to the contracted service provider a copy of the board's Anti-Bullying Policy.

In accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:16-7.7 (c), a contracted service provider, who has witnessed, or has reliable information that a student has been subject to harassment, intimidation, or bullying shall immediately report the incident to any school administrator or safe schools resource officer, or the Interim School Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

ANTI-DISCRIMINATION PROVISIONS—N.J.S.A. 10:2-1

N.J.S.A. 10:2-1. Antidiscrimination provisions. Every contract for or on behalf of the State or any county or municipality or other political subdivision of the State, or any agency of or authority created by any of the foregoing, for the construction, alteration or repair of any public building or public work or for the acquisition of materials, equipment, supplies or services shall contain provisions by which the contractor agrees that:

- a. In the hiring of persons for the performance of work under this contract or any subcontract hereunder, or for the procurement, manufacture, assembling or furnishing of any such materials, equipment, supplies or services to be acquired under this contract, no contractor, nor any person acting on behalf of such contractor or subcontractor, shall, by reason of race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, gender identity or expression, affectional or sexual orientation or sex, discriminate against any person who is qualified and available to perform the work to which the employment relates;
- b. No contractor, subcontractor, nor any person on his behalf shall, in any manner, discriminate against or intimidate any employee engaged in the performance of work under this contract or any subcontract hereunder, or engaged in the procurement, manufacture, assembling or furnishing of any such materials, equipment, supplies or services to be acquired under such contract, on account of race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, gender identity or expression, affectional or sexual orientation or sex;
- c. There may be deducted from the amount payable to the contractor by the contracting public agency, under this contract, a penalty of \$50.00 for each person for each calendar day during which such person is discriminated against or intimidated in violation of the provisions of the contract; and
- d. This contract may be canceled or terminated by the contracting public agency, and all money due or to become due hereunder may be forfeited, for any violation of this section of the contract occurring after notice to the contractor from the contracting public agency of any prior violation of this section of the contract.

No provision in this section shall be construed to prevent a board of education from designating that a contract, subcontract or other means of procurement of goods, services, equipment or construction shall be awarded to a small business enterprise, minority business enterprise or a women's business enterprise pursuant to P.L. [1985, c.490](#) (C.18A:18A-51 et seq.).

AWARD OF CONTRACT; RESOLUTION; NUMBER OF DAYS

Any contract awarded under this process shall be made by resolution of the Board of Education. The award must be made within sixty (60) days of the receipt of the proposals, however subject to extension pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-36 (a).

BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE (N.J.S.A. 52:32-44)

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-44, the board of education is prohibited from entering into a contract with an entity unless the bidder/proposer/contractor, and each subcontractor that is required by law to be named in a bid/proposal/contract has a valid Business Registration Certificate on file with the Division of Revenue and Enterprise Services within the Department of the Treasury.

Request of the Board of Education

All bidders or companies providing responses for requested proposals, are **requested** to submit with their response package a copy of their "New Jersey Business Registration Certificate" as issued by the Department of Treasury of the State of New Jersey.

The Board reminds all respondents that failure to submit the New Jersey Business Registration Certificate prior to the award of contract will result in the rejection of the proposal.

Subcontractors (if applicable)

Prior to contract award or authorization, the contractor shall provide the Contracting Agency with its proof of business registration and that of any named subcontractor(s).

Subcontractors named in a bid or other proposal shall provide proof of business registration to the bidder, who in turn, shall provide it to the Contracting Agency prior to the time a contract, purchase order, or other contracting document is awarded or authorized.

During the course of contract performance:

- (1) the contractor shall not enter into a contract with a subcontractor unless the subcontractor first provides the contractor with a valid proof of business registration.
- (2) the contractor shall maintain and submit to the Contracting Agency a list of subcontractors and their addresses that may be updated from time to time.
- (3) the contractor and any subcontractor providing goods or performing services under the contract, and each of their affiliates, shall collect and remit to the Director of the Division of Taxation in the Department of the Treasury, the use tax due pursuant to the Sales and Use Tax Act, ([N.J.S.A. 54:32B-1](#) et seq.) on all sales of tangible personal property delivered into the State. Any questions in this regard can be directed to

the Division of Taxation at (609)292-6400. Form NJ-REG can be filed online at:

<http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue/busregcert.shtml>

Before final payment is made under the contract, the contractor shall submit to the board, a complete and accurate list of all subcontractors used and their addresses.

N.J.S.A. 54:49-4.1: Violations of Registration Requirements; Penalties.

A business organization that fails to provide a copy of a business registration as required pursuant to section 1 of P.L. [2001, c.134](#) (C.52:32-44 et al.) or subsection e. or f. of section 92 of P.L. [1977, c.110](#) (C.5:12-92), or that provides false information of business registration under the requirements of either of those sections, shall be liable for a penalty of \$25 for each day of violation, not to exceed \$50,000 for each business registration copy not properly provided under a contract with a contracting agency or under a casino service industry enterprise contract.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE
FOR STATE AGENCY AND CASINO SERVICE CONTRACTORS

TAXPAYER NAME: TAX REGISTRATION TEST ACCOUNT
TRADE NAME: CLIENT REGISTRATION
TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION#: 970-097-382/500
SEQUENCE NUMBER: 0107530
ADDRESS: 847 ROEBLING AVE
TRENTON NJ 08611
ISSUANCE DATE: 07/14/04
EFFECTIVE DATE: 01/01/01
FORM-BRC(08-01)

Acting Director
This Certificate is NOT assignable or transferable. It must be conspicuously displayed at above address.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE

Taxpayer Name: TAX REG TEST ACCOUNT
Trade Name:
Address: 847 ROEBLING AVE
TRENTON, NJ 08611
Certificate Number: 1093907
Date of Issuance: October 14, 2004

For Office Use Only:
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CONTRACTOR/VENDOR REQUIREMENTS—OFFICE OF THE NEW JERSEY STATE COMPTROLLER

Contractors/vendors doing business with the board of education are reminded of the following legal requirements pertaining to the Office of the New Jersey State Comptroller:

A. Access to Relevant Documents and Information—N.J.S.A. 52:15C-14 (d)

Private vendors or other persons contracting with or receiving funds from a unit in the Executive branch of State government, including an entity exercising executive branch authority, independent State authority, public institution of higher education, or unit of local government or board of education shall upon request by the State Comptroller provide the State Comptroller with prompt access to all relevant documents and information as a condition of the contract and receipt of public monies. The State Comptroller shall not disclose any document or information to which access is provided that is confidential or proprietary. If the State Comptroller finds that any person receiving funds from a unit in the Executive branch of State government, including an entity exercising executive branch authority, independent State authority, public institution of higher education, or unit of local government or board of education refuses to provide information upon the request of the State Comptroller, or otherwise impedes or fails to cooperate with any audit or performance review, the State Comptroller may recommend to the contracting unit that the person be subject to termination of their contract, or temporarily or permanently debarred from contracting with the contracting unit.

B. Maintenance of Contract Records—N.J.A.C. 17:44-2.2

Relevant records of private vendors or other persons entering into contracts with covered entities are subject to audit or review by OSC pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:15C-14(d).

The contractor/vendor to whom a contract has been awarded, shall maintain all documentation related to products, transactions or services under this contract for a period of five years from the date of final payment. Such records shall be made available to the New Jersey Office of the State Comptroller upon request.

CRIMINAL HISTORY BACKGROUND CHECKS/DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION

When required, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.1, providers for the services of this contract, shall submit to the school district prior to commencement of contract, evidence or proof that each employee assigned to provide services and that comes in **regular contact with students**, has had a criminal history background check, and furthermore, that said background check indicates that no criminal history record information exists on file for that worker. Failure to provide a proof of criminal history background check for any employee whose position involves regular **contact with students**, prior to commencement of contact, may be cause for breach of contract.

If it is discovered during the course of the contract that an employee has a disqualifying criminal history or the employee has not had a criminal history background check, that employee is to be removed from the as a service provider immediately.

All contracted service providers shall comply with N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.6 et seq., as it pertains to disclosure of information from previous employers, and NJDOE Broadcast September 9, 2019, when applicable.

DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, OR DISQUALIFICATION

The Board of Education will not enter into a contract for work with any person, company or firm that is on the State Department of Labor and Workforce Development; Prevailing Wage Debarment List, or the State of New Jersey Consolidated Debarment Report (www.state.nj.us/treasury/debarred). All respondents are required to submit a sworn statement indicating whether or not the respondent is, at the time of the proposal, included on the State Department of Labor and Workforce Development; Prevailing Wage Debarment List or the State of New Jersey Consolidated Debarment Report, or the Federal Debarred Vendor List--Excluded Parties List System—System for Award Management—SAM.gov

DOCUMENTS, MISSING/ILLEGIBLE

The respondent shall familiarize himself with all forms* provided by the Board that are to be returned with the proposal. If there are any forms either missing or illegible, it is the responsibility of the respondent to contact the Interim School Business Administrator/Board Secretary for duplicate copies of the forms. This must be done before the proposal opening date and time. The Board accepts no responsibility for duplicate forms that were not received by the respondent in time for the respondent to submit with his proposal.

DOCUMENT SIGNATURES – ORIGINAL; BLUE INK

All documents returned to the Board shall be signed with an original signature in ink (blue). Failure to sign and return all required documents with the proposal package may be cause for disqualification and for the proposal to be rejected pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-2(y) (non-responsive). The Board will not accept facsimile or rubber stamp signatures.

*Forms provided by the Board of Education that must be returned with proposal.

- Affirmative Action Questionnaire or Certificate of Employee Information Report
- Chapter 271 – Political Contribution Disclosure Form
- Vendor Questionnaire and Certification
- Iran - Disclosure of Investment Activities
- Certification of Non-involvement in prohibited activities in Russia or Belarus
- NJ Business Registration Certificate
- Vendor W-9
- Statement of Ownership
- Non Collusion Affidavit
- Mandatory Equal Employment Opportunity Language
- Equal Opportunity for Individuals with Disabilities
- Proposal Form with rates

EXAMINATION OF SPECIFICATIONS, ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The respondent, by submitting a proposal, acknowledges that he has carefully examined the proposal specifications, documents, addenda (if any), and the site; and that from his investigation, he has satisfied himself as to the nature and location of the work, the general and local conditions and all matters which may in any way affect the work or its performance, and that as a result of such examination, he fully

understands the intent and purpose thereof, his obligations thereunder, and that he will not make any claim for, or have any right to damages, because of the lack of any information.

Each respondent submitting a proposal for a service contract shall include in his proposal price all labor, materials, equipment, services, and other requirements necessary, or incidental to, the completion of the work, and other pertinent work as hereinafter described, in accordance with the proposal specifications and documents.

FALSE MATERIAL REPRESENTATION – N.J.S.A. 2C:21-34-97(b)/TRUTH IN CONTRACTING

A person commits a crime if the person knowingly makes a material representation that is false in connection with the negotiation, award or performance of a government contract. If the contract amount is for \$25,000.00 or above, the offender is guilty of a crime of the second degree. If the contract amount exceeds \$2,500.00, but is less than \$25,000.00, the offender is guilty of a crime of the third degree. If the contract amount is for \$2,500.00 or less, the offender is guilty of a crime of the fourth degree.

Respondent should be aware of the following statutes that represent “Truth in Contracting” laws:

- N.J.S.A. 2C:21-34, et seq. governs false claims and representations by bidders. It is a serious crime for the bidder to knowingly submit a false claim and/or knowingly make material misrepresentation.
- N.J.S.A. 2C:27-10 provides that a person commits a crime if said person offers a benefit to a public servant for an official act performed or to be performed by a public servant, which is a violation of official duty.
- N.J.S.A. 2C:27-11 provides that a bidder commits a crime if said person, directly or indirectly, confers or agrees to confer any benefit not allowed by law to a public servant.
- Bidder should consult the statutes or legal counsel for further information.

FORCE MAJEURE

Neither party shall be liable in damages for any failure, hindrance or delay in the performance of any obligation under this Agreement if such delay, hindrance or failure to perform is caused by conditions beyond the control of either party, including, but not limited to, Acts of God, flood, fire, war or the public enemy, explosion, government regulations whether or not valid (including the denial or cancellation of any export or other necessary license), court order, state funding, or other unavoidable causes beyond the reasonable control of the party whose performance is affected which cannot be overcome by due diligence.

Vendors, and/or contractors who have a contract with the Board of Education to provide goods or services cannot unilaterally claim an increase in the cost of the contract because of Force Majeure.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

- Authorization to Proceed -- Successful Vendor/Contractor

No service shall be rendered by the successful contractor unless the vendor/contractor receives an approved purchase order authorizing the vendor/contractor to render the service.

- Award of Contract

It is the intention of the Board of Education to award the contract to the respondent(s) whose response is the most advantageous to the board, price and other factors considered, and who will provide the highest quality service at fair and competitive prices. The Board reserves the right to award contracts to multiple contractors when it is in the best interests of the Board.

- Return of Contract Documents—when required

Upon notification of award of contract by the Board of Education, the contractor may be required to sign and execute a formal contract with the Board.

- Purchase Order—considered to be a contract. N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-2 (n)

If a formal contract is not required by the Board of Education, an approved and signed Board of Education Purchase Order will constitute as a contractual agreement.

When a formal contract is required, the contractor shall sign and execute said contracts and return the contracts with other required documents to the Office of the Interim School Business Administrator/Board Secretary. Failure to execute the contract and return said contract and related documents within the prescribed time may be cause for a delay in payment for services rendered or products received or the annulment of award by the Board of Education with any financial security becoming property of the Board of Education. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept the proposal of the next lowest responsible respondent.

- Term of Contract

The successful respondent, to whom the contract is awarded, will be required to do and perform the work/services and to provide and furnish the materials in connection therewith in accordance with the plans and specifications on or before the date listed in the Technical Specifications.

- Purchase Order Required; Notice to Proceed

No contractor or vendor shall commence any project or deliver any goods until he is in receipt of an approved purchase order authorizing work to begin or goods to be delivered.

INSURANCE; PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY – CERTIFICATE REQUIRED

The successful respondent to whom the contract is awarded shall provide to the Board of Education with contract documents a Professional Liability Insurance Certificate with the following limits:

\$1,000,000 Each Incident; Occurrence; Wrongful Act

\$3,000,000 Aggregate

\$1,000,000 Limit Per Occurrence; General Liability including Sexual Abuse and Molestation

\$3,000,000 Aggregate

The insurance certificate name as to the certificate holder shall be as follows:

The Egg Harbor City Board of Education c/o The Business Office and remain in full force during the term of contract.

WORKERS COMPENSATION Evidence of adequate Workers Compensation Insurance as required by the laws of the State of New Jersey and the United States, must be available for perusal. The minimum limits are the following, unless a greater amount is required by law:

Bodily Injury by Accident	\$1,000,000. Each Accident
Bodily Injury by Disease	\$1,000,000. Policy Limit
Bodily Injury by Disease	\$1,000,000. Each Employee
Automobile Liability	\$1,000,000 Per Occurrence

Indemnification

The contractor shall assume all risk of and responsibility for, and agrees to indemnify, defend, and save harmless the Board and its agents, employees and Board members, from and against any and all claims, demands, suits, actions, recoveries, judgments and costs and expenses (including, but not limited to, attorney's fees) in connection therewith on account of the loss of life or property or injury or damage to any person, body or property of any person or persons whatsoever, which shall arise from or result directly or indirectly from the work and/or materials supplied under this contract or the performance of services by the contractor under the agreement or by a party for the whole contract is liable. This indemnification obligation is not limited by, but is in addition to, the insurance obligations contained in this agreement.

The contractor is to assume all liability of every sort incident to the work, including property damage caused by him or his men or by any subcontractor employed by him or any of the subcontractor's men.

IRAN DISCLOSURE OF INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES FORM N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-49.4

The Board of Education, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-49.4, shall implement and comply with Public Law 2012, c.25, Disclosure of Investment Activities in Iran—N.J.S.A. 52:32-55 et seq.

Pursuant to Public Law 2012, c. 25, any person or entity that submits a bid or proposal or otherwise proposes to enter into or renew a contract, must complete a certification attesting, under penalty of perjury,

that neither the person or entity, nor any of its parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates, is identified on the Department of Treasury's Chapter 25 list as a person or entity engaging in investment activities in Iran. The Chapter 25 list is found on the Divisions website

<http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/pdf/Chapter25List.pdf>

If the Board determines that a person or entity has submitted a false certification concerning its engagement in investment activities in Iran under section 4 of P.L.2012, c.25 (C.52:32-58), the board shall report to the New Jersey Attorney General the name of that person or entity, and the Attorney General shall determine whether to bring a civil action against the person to collect the penalty prescribed in paragraph (1) of subsection a. of section 5 of P.L.2012, c.25 (C.52:32-59).

In addition, bidders must provide a detailed, accurate and precise description of the activities of the bidding person/entity, or one of its parents, subsidiaries or affiliates, engaging in the investment activities in Iran outlined above by completing the boxes on the lower portion of the enclosed form.

The Board has provided within the specifications, a Disclosure of Investments Activities certification form for all persons or entities, that plan to submit a bid, respond to a proposal, or renew a contract with the board, to complete, sign and submit with the proposal.

Failure to complete, sign, certify and submit the Disclosure of Investment Activities in Iran form with the bid/proposal shall be cause for rejection of the proposal.

CERTIFICATION OF NON-INVOLVEMENT IN PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES IN RUSSIA OR BELARUS

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-60-1, et. seq. (L. 2022, C. 3) any person or entity (hereinafter "Vendor") that seeks to enter into or renew a contract with a State agency for the provision of goods and services, or the purchase of bonds or other obligations, must complete the certification below indicating whether or not the Vendor is identified on the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons list, available here: <https://sanctionssearch.ofac.treas.gov/>. If the Department of the Treasury finds that a Vendor has made a certification in violation of the law, it shall take any action as may be appropriate and provided by law, rule, or contract, including but not limited to, imposing sanctions, seeking compliance, recovering damages, declaring the party in default and seeking debarment or suspension of the party.

The Certification of Non-Involvement in Prohibited Activities in Russia or Belarus is to be completed, certified and submitted prior to the award of the contract.

Failure to complete, sign, certify and submit the Certification of Non-Involvement in Prohibited Activities in Russia or Belarus form with the bid/proposal shall be cause for rejection of the proposal.

LIABILITY – COPYRIGHT

The contractor (vendor) shall hold and save the Board of Education, its officials and employees, harmless from liability of any nature or kind for or on account of the use of any copyrighted or un-copyrighted

composition, secret process, patented or unpatented invention, article or appliance furnished or used in the performance of his contract.

NON COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT

A notarized Non-Collusion Affidavit shall be submitted with the bid/proposal. The bidder/respondent has to certify that he has not directly or indirectly, entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, discussed any or all parts of this proposal with any potential bidders, or otherwise taken any action in restraint of free, competitive bidding in connection with the above named bid, and that all statements contained in said Proposal and in this affidavit are true and correct, and made with full knowledge that the Board of Education relies upon the truth of the statements contained in said Proposal and in the statements contained in this affidavit in awarding the contract for the said bid.

The respondent has to further warrant that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure such contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee, except bona fide employees of bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the respondent.

The Board of Education has provided a Non-Collusion Affidavit form here within the specifications package. All respondents are to complete, sign, have the signature notarized and submit the form with the proposal response.

Failure to submit the Non-Collusion Affidavit with the proposal may be cause for the disqualification of the proposal.

PAYMENTS

Every effort will be made to pay vendors and contractors within thirty (30) to sixty (60) days provided the Board of Education receives the appropriate documentation including but not limited to:

- Signed voucher by vendor;
- Invoices.

Payment will be rendered upon completion of services. Pursuant to the New Jersey Prompt Payment Law-- N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-10.1, unless otherwise provided for in the contract, the required payment date shall be ninety (90) calendar days from the date specified in the contract or if no required payment is specified in the contract, then the required payment date shall be 90 calendar days from the receipt of a properly executed invoice, or 90 calendar days from the receipt of goods or services, whichever is later. All payments are subject to approval by the Board of Education at a public meeting. Payment may be delayed from time to time depending on the Board of Education meeting schedule.

POLITICAL CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT – PAY TO PLAY

Annual Disclosure

A business entity as defined by law is advised of its responsibility to file an annual disclosure statement on political contributions with the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission pursuant to

N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.13 (P.L. 2005 Chapter 271 section 3) if the business entity receives contracts in excess of \$50,000 from public entities in a calendar year. It is the business entity's responsibility to determine if filing is necessary. Additional information on this requirement is available from the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement commission at 1-888-313-3532 or at www.elec.nj.us.

Chapter 271 Political Contribution Disclosure Form

Business entities (excluding those that are not non-profit organizations) receiving contracts in excess of **\$17,500** from a board of education, are subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26. The law and rule provides that 10 days prior to the award of such a contract, the contractor shall disclose contributions to:

- any State, county, or municipal committee of a political party
- any legislative leadership committee*
- any continuing political committee (a.k.a., political action committee)
- any candidate committee of a candidate for, or holder of, an elective office: of the public entity awarding the contract of that county in which that public entity is located of another public entity within that county or of a legislative district in which that public entity is located or, when the public entity is a county, of any legislative district which includes all or part of the county.

The disclosure must list reportable contributions to any of the committees that exceed \$300 per election cycle that were made during the 12 months prior to award of the contract. See N.J.S.A. 19:44A-8 and 19:44A-16 for more details on reportable contributions.

The Board of Education has provided a Chapter 271 Political Contribution Disclosure Form within the specifications package for use by the business entity. The Board has also provided a list of agencies to assist the contractor. The enclosed list of agencies is provided to assist the contractor in identifying those public agencies whose elected official and/or candidate campaign committees are affected by the disclosure requirement. It is the contractor's responsibility to identify the specific committees to which contributions may have been made and need to be disclosed. The disclosed information may exceed the minimum requirement.

The enclosed Chapter 271 Political Contribution Disclosure form, a content-consistent facsimile, or an electronic data file containing the required details (along with a signed cover sheet) may be used as the contractor's submission and may be disclosed to the public under the Open Public Records Act.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26 (a), all business entities shall submit a completed and signed Chapter 271 Political Contribution Disclosure Form with their proposal.

POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS/AWARD OF CONTRACTS

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-6.3 (a) (1-4) please note the following:

- **Award of Contract** -- Reportable Contributions -- N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-6.3 (a) (1)

"No board of education will vote upon or award any contract in the amount of \$17,500 or greater to any business entity which has made a contribution reportable by the recipient under P.L. 1973, c83 (codified at N.J.S.A. 19:44A-1 et seq.) to a member of the board of education during the preceding one year period.

- **Contributions During Term of Contract** – Prohibited -- N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-6.3 (a) (2-3)

"Contributions reportable by the recipient under P.L. 1973, c83 (codified at N.J.S.A. 19:44A-1 et seq.) to any member of the school board from any business entity doing business with the school district are prohibited during the term of the contract."

"When a business entity referred in 4.1(e) is a natural person, contribution by that person's spouse or child that resides therewith, shall be deemed to be a contribution by the business entity. When a business entity is other than a natural person, a contribution by any person or other business entity having an interest therein shall be deemed to be a contribution by the business entity."

- **Chapter 271 Political Contribution Disclosure Form – Required** -- N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-6.3 (a) (4)

All business entities shall submit with their bid/proposal package a completed and signed Chapter 271 Political Contribution Disclosure Form. The Chapter 271 form will be reviewed by the Board to determine whether the business entity is in compliance with the aforementioned N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-6.3 (a) (2) Award of Contract.

The Chapter 271 Political Contribution Disclosure form shall be submitted with the response to the bid/proposal. Failure to provide the completed and signed form may be cause for disqualification of the bid/proposal.

PRE-EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS--CONTRACTED SERVICE PROVIDERS

When applicable, all contracted service providers, whose employees have regular contact with students, shall comply with the Pre-Employment Requirements in accordance with New Jersey P.L. 2018 c.5, N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.6 et seq. Contracted service providers are to review the following New Jersey Department of Education—Pre-Employment Resource P.L. 2018 c.5 link below for guidance and compliance procedures.

PRESENTATION AND INTERVIEWS—Negotiations Not Permitted

The Board of Education may at its option, require providers of its choice to attend interviews and make presentations to district officials. This process may only take place after proposals have been opened and reviewed and prior to the completion of the evaluation. **Under no circumstances shall the provisions of the proposal be subject to negotiation—N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-4.5 (b).**

RESPONDENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL

It is the responsibility of the respondent to ensure that their proposal is presented to the Office of the Interim School Business Administrator/Board Secretary and officially received before the advertised date and time of the proposal. It is understood and agreed upon that any person in the Board of Education will be absolved from responsibility for the premature opening of any proposal not properly labeled and sealed.

RIGHT TO KNOW LAW

All potentially hazardous materials or substances must be properly labeled in full accordance with the New Jersey Right to Know Law - N.J.S.A. 34:5A-1 et seq. All contractors or vendors who need additional information about the New Jersey Right to Know Law are to contact the:

New Jersey Department of Health and
Senior Services Right to Know Program
CN 368
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0368

STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP

Statement of Ownership

No business organization, regardless of form of ownership, shall be awarded any contract for the performance of any work or the furnishing of any goods and services, unless, **prior to the receipt of the bid or accompanying the bid** of said business organization, bidders shall submit a statement setting forth the names and addresses of all persons and entities that own ten percent or more of its stock or interest of any type at all levels of ownership.

The included Statement of Ownership shall be completed and attached to the bid proposal. This requirement applies to all forms of business organizations, including, but not limited to, corporations and partnerships, publicly-owned corporations, limited partnerships, limited liability corporations, limited liability partnerships, sole proprietorship, and Subchapter S corporations. **Failure to submit a disclosure document shall result in rejection of the bid as it cannot be remedied after bids have been opened.**

Not-for-profit entities should fill in their name, check the not-for-profit box, and certify the form. No other information is required.

SUBCONTRACTING; ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT

Contractors, services providers, and all vendors with whom the Board of Education have an executed contract may not subcontract any part of any work done or assign any part of contract for goods or materials for the Board without first receiving written permission from the School Business Administrator.

Contractors, service providers, and vendors using subcontractors assume all responsibility for work performed by subcontractors. The Board Business Office may require the following documents to be secured from all approved subcontractors:

- Insurance Certificate as outlined in the proposal specifications;
- Affirmative Action Evidence as outlined in the proposal specifications;
- New Jersey Business Registration Certificate; and
- Other documents as may be required by the Board of Education.

In cases of subcontracting, the Board of Education shall only pay the prime contractor. It is the sole responsibility of the prime contractor to ensure that all subcontractors are paid. The Board of Education shall not be responsible for payments to subcontractors and shall be held harmless against any or all claims generated against prime contractors for non-payment to subcontractors.

Transportation carriers hired by the vendor to deliver goods and materials are not considered to be subcontractors.

TAXES

As a New Jersey governmental entity, the Board of Education is exempt from the requirements under New Jersey state sales and use tax (N.J.S.A. 54:32B-1 et. seq.), and does not pay any sales or use taxes. Respondents should note that they are expected to comply with the provisions of said statute and the rules and regulations promulgated thereto to qualify them for examinations and reference to any and all labor, services, materials and supplies furnished to the Board of Education. Contractors may not use the Board's tax exempt status to purchase supplies, materials, service or equipment.

A contractor may qualify for a New Jersey Sales Tax Exemption on the purchase of materials, supplies and services when these purchases are used exclusively to fulfill the terms and conditions of the contract with the Board of Education. All contractors are referred to New Jersey Division of Taxation–Tax Bulletin S&U- 3 for guidance. Again, contractors are not permitted to use the Board's tax identification number to purchase supplies, materials, services of equipment.

TERMINATION OF CONTRACT

If the Board determines that the contractor has failed to comply with the terms and conditions of the proposal upon which the issuance of the contract is based or that the contractor has failed to perform said service, duties and or responsibilities in a timely, proper, professional and/or efficient manner, then the Board shall have the authority to terminate the contract upon written notice setting forth the reason for termination and effective date of termination.

Termination by the Board of the contract does not absolve the contractor from potential liability for damages caused the District by the contractor's breach of this agreement. The Board may withhold payment due the contractor and apply same towards damages once established. The Board will act diligently in accordance with governing statutes to mitigate damages. Damages may include the additional cost of procuring said services or goods from other sources.

The contractor further agrees to indemnify and hold the District harmless from any liability to subcontractors or suppliers concerning work performed or goods provided arising out of the lawful termination of this agreement.

WITHDRAWAL OF PROPOSALS

Before The Proposal Opening

The School Business Administrator may consider a written request from a respondent to withdraw a proposal if the written request is received by the School Business Administrator before the advertised time of the proposal opening. Any respondent who has been granted permission by the School Business Administrator to have his/her proposal withdrawn cannot re-submit a proposal for the same advertised proposal project. That respondent shall also be disqualified from future proposals on the same project if the project is re-advertised.

After The Proposal Opening

The Board of Education may consider a written request from a respondent to withdraw a proposal, if the written request is received by the School Business Administrator within five (5) business days after the proposal opening. A request to withdraw a proposal after the specified number of days will not be honored.

The contractor/vendor who wishes to withdraw a proposal must provide a certification supported by written factual evidence that an error or omission was made by the contractor and that the error or omission was a substantial computational error or an unintentional omission or both.

The request to withdraw a proposal after the proposal opening may be reviewed by the School Business Administrator, the Director of Facilities, other interested administrators' and the Architect of Record for the project (if necessary) and/or the Board Attorney and a recommendation will be made to the Board of Education. If the Board of Education grants permission to have the proposal withdrawn the contractor/vendor shall be disqualified from quoting on the same project if the project is re-advertised. If the contractor/vendor fails to meet the burden of proof to have the proposal withdrawn, the request to withdraw the proposal will be denied and if the contractor/vendor fails to execute the contract the bid guarantee will be forfeited and become property of the Board of Education.

EGG HARBOR CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Request for Proposal

Occupational Therapy

PROPOSAL DOCUMENTS REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

All documents in this section shall be completed, signed and submitted with the proposal package – Failure to submit the proposal documents and other documents so specified may be cause to reject the proposal for being non-responsive (N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-2(y)).

Allyson Milazzo
School Business Administrator

(To be completed, signed below & returned with proposal)

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION QUESTIONNAIRE

This form is to be completed and returned with the proposal. However, the Board will accept in lieu of this Questionnaire, a current Affirmative Action Evidence—Certificate of Employee Information Report

1. Our company has a federal Affirmative Action Plan approval. ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please attach a copy of the plan to this questionnaire.

2. Our company has a N.J. State Certificate of Employee Information Report ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please attach a copy of the certificate to this questionnaire.

3. If you answered ***“NO”*** to both questions No. 1 and 2, you must apply for an Affirmative Action Employee Information Report – Form AA302.

Please visit the New Jersey Department of Treasury website for the Division of Public Contracts Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance: www.state.nj.us/treasury/contract/compliance/

- Click on “Employee Information Report”
- Complete and submit the form with the appropriate payment to:

Department of Treasury
Division of Public Contracts/EEO Compliance
P.O. Box 209
Trenton, NJ 08625-0002

All fees for this application are to be paid directly to the State of New Jersey. A copy shall be submitted to the Board of Education prior to the execution or award of contract.

I certify that the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Name: _____

Signature _____

Title _____ Date _____

Name of Company _____

Address _____

ASSURANCE OF COMPLIANCE

Contact with Students

There may be times during the performance of this contract, where a contracted service provider may come in contact with students of the school district. The district fully understands its obligation to provide to all students and staff members, a safe educational environment. To this end, the district is requiring all respondents to sign a statement of Assurance of Compliance, acknowledging the respondent's understanding of the below listed requirements and further acknowledging the respondent's assurance of compliance with those listed requirements.

Anti-Bullying Reporting--Requirement

When applicable, the contracted service provider shall comply with all applicable provisions of the New Jersey Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act—N.J.S.A. 18A:37-13.1 et seq., all applicable code and regulations, and the Anti-Bullying Policy of the Board of Education. In accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:16-7.7 (c), a contracted service provider, who has witnessed, or has reliable information that a student has been subject to harassment, intimidation, or bullying shall immediately report the incident to any school administrator or safe schools resource officer, or the Interim School Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

Criminal History Background Checks—N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.1--Requirement

When applicable, the contracted service provider, shall provide to the school district prior to commencement of contract, evidence or proof that each employee assigned to provide services and whose position involves **regular contact** with students, has had a criminal history background check, and furthermore, that said background check indicates that no criminal history record information exists on file for that worker. Failure to provide a proof of criminal history background check for any employee coming in regular contact with students, prior to commencement of contact, may be cause for breach of contract.

Pre-Employment Requirements

When applicable, all contracted service providers, whose employees have **regular contact with students**, shall comply with the Pre-Employment Requirements in accordance with New Jersey P.L. 2018 c.5, N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.6 et seq. Contracted service providers are to review the following New Jersey Department of Education, Office of Student Protection—Pre-Employment Resource P.L. 2018 c.5 link below for guidance and compliance procedures.

<http://nj.gov/education/educators/crimhist/preemployment/>

Name of Company _____

Name of Authorized Representative _____

Signature _____ Date _____

(To be completed, signed below & returned with proposal)

EGG HARBOR CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Chapter 271
Political Contribution Disclosure Form
(Contracts that Exceed
\$17,500.00)
Ref. N.J.S.A. 52:34-25

The undersigned, being authorized and knowledgeable of the circumstances, does hereby certify that _____ (Business Entity) has made the following **reportable** political contributions to any elected official, political candidate or any political committee as defined in N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.26 during the twelve (12) months preceding this award of contract:

Reportable Contributions

<u>Date of Contribution</u>	<u>Amount of Contribution</u>	<u>Name of Recipient Elected Official/ Committee/Candidate</u>	<u>Name of Contributor</u>

The Business Entity may attach additional pages if needed.

 No Reportable Contributions (Please check () if applicable.)

I certify that _____ (Business Entity) made no reportable contributions to any elected official, political candidate or any political committee as defined in N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.26.

Certification

I certify, that the information provided above is in full compliance with Public Law 2005—Chapter 271.

Name of Authorized Agent _____

Signature _____ **Title** _____

Business Entity _____

(To be completed, signed below & returned with proposal)

C. 271 POLITICAL CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE FORM

Contractor Instructions

Business entities (contractors) receiving contracts from a public agency that are NOT awarded pursuant to a “fair and open” process (defined at N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.7) are subject to the provisions of P.L. 2005, c. 271, s.2 (N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26). This law provides that 10 days prior to the award of such a contract, the contractor shall disclose contributions to:

- any State, county, or municipal committee of a political party
- any legislative leadership committee*
- any continuing political committee (a.k.a., political action committee)
- any candidate committee of a candidate for, or holder of, an elective office:
 - o of the public entity awarding the contract
 - o of that county in which that public entity is located
 - o of another public entity within that county
 - o or of a legislative district in which that public entity is located or, when the public entity is a county, of any legislative district which includes all or part of the county

The disclosure must list reportable contributions to any of the committees that exceed \$300 per election cycle that were made during the 12 months prior to award of the contract. See N.J.S.A. 19:44A-8 and 19:44A-16 for more details on reportable contributions.

N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26 itemizes the parties from whom contributions must be disclosed when a business entity is not a natural person. This includes the following:

- individuals with an “interest” ownership or control of more than 10% of the profits or assets of a business entity or 10% of the stock in the case of a business entity that is a corporation for profit
- all principals, partners, officers, or directors of the business entity or their spouses
- any subsidiaries directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity
- IRS Code Section 527 New Jersey based organizations, directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity and filing as continuing political committees, (PACs).

When the business entity is a natural person, “a contribution by that person’s spouse or child, residing therewith, shall be deemed to be a contribution by the business entity.” [N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26(b)] The contributor must be listed on the disclosure.

Any business entity that fails to comply with the disclosure provisions shall be subject to a fine imposed by ELEC in an amount to be determined by the Commission which may be based upon the amount that the business entity failed to report.

The enclosed list of agencies is provided to assist the contractor in identifying those public agencies whose elected official and/or candidate campaign committees are affected by the disclosure requirement. It is the contractor’s responsibility to identify the specific committees to which contributions may have been made and need to be disclosed. The disclosed information may exceed the minimum requirement.

The enclosed form, a content-consistent facsimile, or an electronic data file containing the required details (along with a signed cover sheet) may be used as the contractor’s submission and is disclosable to the public under the Open Public Records Act.

The contractor must also complete the attached Stockholder Disclosure Certification. This will assist the agency in meeting its obligations under the law. **NOTE: This section does not apply to Board of Education contracts.**

N.J.S.A. 19:44A-3(s): “The term “legislative leadership committee” means a committee established, authorized to be established, or designated by the President of the Senate, the Minority Leader of the Senate, the Speaker of the General Assembly or the Minority Leader of the General Assembly pursuant to section 16 of P.L.1993, c.65 (C.19:44A-10.1) for the purpose of receiving contributions and making expenditures.”

P.L. 2005, c.271

(Unofficial version, Assembly Committee Substitute to A-3013, First Reprint*)

AN ACT authorizing units of local government to impose limits on political contributions by contractors and supplementing Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes and Title 19 of the Revised Statutes.

BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

40A:11-51 1. a. A county, municipality, independent authority, board of education, or fire district is hereby authorized to establish by ordinance, resolution or regulation, as may be appropriate, measures limiting the awarding of public contracts therefrom to business entities that have made a contribution pursuant to P.L.1973, c.83 (C.19:44A-1 et seq.) and limiting the contributions that the holders of a contract can make during the term of a contract, notwithstanding the provisions and parameters of sections 1 through 12 of P.L.2004, c.19 (C. 19:44A-20.2 et al.) and section 22 of P.L.1973, c.83 (C.19:44A-22).

b. The provisions of P.L.2004, c.19 shall not be construed to supersede or preempt any ordinance, resolution or regulation of a unit of local government that limits political contributions by business entities performing or seeking to perform government contracts. Any ordinance, resolution or regulation in effect on the effective date of P.L.2004, c.19 shall remain in effect and those adopted after that effective date shall be valid and enforceable.

c. An ordinance, resolution or regulation adopted or promulgated as provided in this section shall be filed with the Secretary of State.

52:34-25 2. a. Not later than 10 days prior to entering into any contract having an anticipated value in excess of \$17,500, except for a contract that is required by law to be publicly advertised for bids, a State agency, county, municipality, independent authority, board of education, or fire district shall require any business entity bidding thereon or negotiating therefor, to submit along with its bid or price quote, a list of political contributions as set forth in this subsection that are reportable by the recipient pursuant to the provisions of P.L.1973, c.83 (C.19:44A-1 et seq.) and that were made by the business entity during the preceding 12 month period, along with the date and amount of each contribution and the name of the recipient of each contribution. A business entity contracting with a State agency shall disclose contributions to any State, county, or municipal committee of a political party, legislative leadership committee, candidate committee of a candidate for, or holder of, a State elective office, or any continuing political committee. A business entity contracting with a county, municipality, independent authority, other than an independent authority that is a State agency, board of education, or fire district shall disclose contributions to: any State, county, or municipal committee of a political party; any legislative leadership committee; or any candidate committee of a candidate for, or holder of, an elective office of that public entity, of that county in which that public entity is located, of another public entity within that county, or of a legislative district in which that public entity is located or, when the public entity is a county, of any legislative district which includes all or part of the county, or any continuing political committee.

The provisions of this section shall not apply to a contract when a public emergency requires the immediate delivery of goods or services.

b. When a business entity is a natural person, a contribution by that person's spouse or child, residing therewith, shall be deemed to be a contribution by the business entity. When a business entity is other than a natural person, a contribution by any person or other business entity having an interest therein shall be deemed to be a contribution by the business entity. When a business entity is other than a natural person, a contribution by: all principals, partners, officers, or directors of the business entity or their spouses; any subsidiaries directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity; or any political organization organized under section 527 of the Internal Revenue Code that is directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity, other than a candidate committee, election fund, or political party committee, shall be deemed to be a contribution by the business entity.

c. As used in this section:

"business entity" means a natural or legal person, business corporation, professional services corporation, limited liability company, partnership, limited partnership, business trust, association or any other legal commercial entity organized under the laws of this State or of any other state or foreign jurisdiction;

"interest" means the ownership or control of more than 10% of the profits or assets of a business entity or 10% of the stock in the case of a business entity that is a corporation for profit, as appropriate; and

"State agency" means any of the principal departments in the Executive Branch of the State Government, and any division, board, bureau, office, commission or other instrumentality within or created by such department, the Legislature of the State and any office, board, bureau or commission within or created by the Legislative Branch, and any independent State authority, commission, instrumentality or agency.

d. Any business entity that fails to comply with the provisions of this section shall be subject to a fine imposed by the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission in an amount to be determined by the commission which may be based upon the amount that the business entity failed to report.

19:44A-20.13 3. Any business entity making a contribution of money or any other thing of value, including an in-kind contribution, or pledge to make a contribution of any kind to a candidate for or the holder of any public office having ultimate responsibility for the awarding of public contracts, or to a political party committee, legislative leadership committee, political committee or continuing political committee, which has received in any calendar year \$50,000 or more in the aggregate through agreements or contracts with a public entity, shall file an annual disclosure statement with the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission, established pursuant to section 5 of P.L.1973, c.83 (C.19:44A-5), setting forth all such contributions made by the business entity during the 12 months prior to the reporting deadline.

The commission shall prescribe forms and procedures for the reporting required in subsection a. of this section which shall include, but not be limited to:

(1) the name and mailing address of the business entity making the contribution, and the amount contributed during the 12 months prior to the reporting deadline;

(2) the name of the candidate for or the holder of any public office having ultimate responsibility for the awarding of public contracts, candidate committee, joint candidates committee, political party committee, legislative leadership committee, political committee or continuing political committee receiving the contribution; and

(3) the amount of money the business entity received from the public entity through contract or

agreement, the dates, and information identifying each contract or agreement and describing the goods, services or equipment provided or property sold.

The commission shall maintain a list of such reports for public inspection both at its office and through its Internet site.

When a business entity is a natural person, a contribution by that person's spouse or child, residing therewith, shall be deemed to be a contribution by the business entity. When a business entity is other than a natural person, a contribution by any person or other business entity having an interest therein shall be deemed to be a contribution by the business entity. When a business entity is other than a natural person, a contribution by: all principals, partners, officers, or directors of the business entity, or their spouses; any subsidiaries directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity; or any political organization organized under section 527 of the Internal Revenue Code that is directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity, other than a candidate committee, election fund, or political party committee, shall be deemed to be a contribution by the business entity.

As used in this section:

“business entity” means a natural or legal person, business corporation, professional services corporation, limited liability company, partnership, limited partnership, business trust, association or any other legal commercial entity organized under the laws of this State or of any other state or foreign jurisdiction; and

"interest" means the ownership or control of more than 10% of the profits or assets of a business entity or 10% of the stock in the case of a business entity that is a corporation for profit, as appropriate.

Any business entity that fails to comply with the provisions of this section shall be subject to a fine imposed by the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission in an amount to be determined by the commission which may be based upon the amount that the business entity failed to report.

This act shall take effect immediately.

Note: Bold italicized statutory references of new sections are anticipated and not final as of the time this document was prepared. Statutory compilations of N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-51 is anticipated to show a reference to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-51 and to N.J.S.A. 52:34-25.

**List of Agencies with Elected Officials Required for Political Contribution Disclosure
N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26**

County Name: Atlantic

State: Governor, and Legislative Leadership Committees

Legislative District #s: 1, 2, & 9

State Senator and two members of the General Assembly per district.

County:

Freeholders County Executive County Clerk Surrogate Sheriff

Municipalities (Mayor and members of governing body, regardless of title):

Absecon City	Atlantic City	Brigantine City
Buena Borough	Buena Vista Township	Corbin City
Egg Harbor City	Egg Harbor Township	Estell Manor City
Folsom Borough	Galloway Township	Hamilton Township
Hammonton Town	Linwood City	Longport Borough
Margate City	Mullica Township	Northfield City
Pleasantville City	Port Republic City	Somers Point City
Ventnor City	Weymouth Township	

Boards of Education (Members of the Board):

Absecon City	Atlantic City	Buena Regional
Egg Harbor City	Egg Harbor Township	Estell Manor City
Folsom Borough	Galloway Township	Greater Egg Harbor Regional
Hamilton Township	Hammonton Town	Longport
Mainland Regional	Mullica Township	Northfield City
Pleasantville City	Somers Point City	Weymouth Township

Fire Districts (Board of Fire Commissioners):

Buena Borough Fire District No. 1	Buena Borough Fire District No. 2
Buena Vista Township Fire District No. 1	Buena Vista Township Fire District No. 2
Buena Vista Township Fire District No. 3	Buena Vista Township Fire District No. 4
Buena Vista Township Fire District No. 5	

(To be completed, signed below & returned with proposal)

STATE OF NEW JERSEY -- DIVISION OF PURCHASE AND PROPERTY DISCLOSURE OF INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN	
Quote Number: <input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/>	Bidder/ Offeror: <input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/>
<div style="text-align: center;">PART 1: CERTIFICATION BIDDERS MUST COMPLETE PART 1 BY CHECKING EITHER BOX. FAILURE TO CHECK ONE OF THE BOXES WILL RENDER THE PROPOSAL NON-RESPONSIVE.</div> <p>Pursuant to Public Law 2012, c. 25, any person or entity that submits a bid or proposal or otherwise proposes to enter into or renew a contract must complete the certification below to attest, under penalty of perjury, that neither the person or entity, nor any of its parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates, is identified on the Department of Treasury's Chapter 25 list as a person or entity engaging in investment activities in Iran. The Chapter 25 list is found on the Division's website at http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/pdf/Chapter25List.pdf. Bidders must review this list prior to completing the below certification. Failure to complete the certification will render a bidder's proposal non-responsive. If the Director finds a person or entity to be in violation of law, s/he shall take action as may be appropriate and provided by law, rule or contract, including but not limited to, imposing sanctions, seeking compliance, recovering damages, declaring the party in default and seeking debarment or suspension of the party</p> <p>PLEASE CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX:</p> <div style="margin-bottom: 10px;"><input type="checkbox"/> I certify, pursuant to Public Law 2012, c. 25, that neither the bidder listed above nor any of the bidder's parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates is listed on the N.J. Department of the Treasury's list of entities determined to be engaged in prohibited activities in Iran pursuant to P.L. 2012, c. 25 ("Chapter 25 List"). I further certify that I am the person listed above, or I am an officer or representative of the entity listed above and am authorized to make this certification on its behalf. I will skip Part 2 and sign and complete the Certification below.</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> I am unable to certify as above because the bidder and/or one or more of its parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates is listed on the Department's Chapter 25 list. I will provide a detailed, accurate and precise description of the activities in Part 2 below and sign and complete the Certification below. Failure to provide such will result in the proposal being rendered as non-responsive and appropriate penalties, fines and/or sanctions will be assessed as provided by law.</div>	
<div style="text-align: center;">PART 2: PLEASE PROVIDE FURTHER INFORMATION RELATED TO INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN You must provide a detailed, accurate and precise description of the activities of the bidding person/entity, or one of its parents, subsidiaries or affiliates, engaging in the investment activities in Iran outlined above by completing the boxes below.</div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;">EACH BOX WILL PROMPT YOU TO PROVIDE INFORMATION RELATIVE TO THE ABOVE QUESTIONS. PLEASE PROVIDE THOROUGH ANSWERS TO EACH QUESTION. IF YOU NEED TO MAKE ADDITIONAL ENTRIES, CLICK THE "ADD AN ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES ENTRY" BUTTON.</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; margin-top: 10px;"><div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"><div>Name <input style="width: 40%;" type="text"/></div><div>Relationship to Bidder/Offeror <input style="width: 40%;" type="text"/></div></div><div>Description of Activities <input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/></div><div style="margin-top: 5px;"><input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/></div><div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"><div>Duration of Engagement <input style="width: 30%;" type="text"/></div><div>Anticipated Cessation Date <input style="width: 30%;" type="text"/></div></div><div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"><div>Bidder/Offeror Contact Name <input style="width: 30%;" type="text"/></div><div>Contact Phone Number <input style="width: 30%;" type="text"/></div></div></div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"><input type="button" value="ADD AN ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES ENTRY"/></div>	
<p><small>Certification: I, being duly sworn upon my oath, hereby represent that the foregoing information and any attachments thereto to the best of my knowledge are true and complete. I acknowledge: that I am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the bidder; that the State of New Jersey is relying on the information contained herein and that I am under a continuing obligation from the date of this certification through the completion of any contracts with the State to notify the State in writing of any changes to the information contained herein; that I am aware that it is a criminal offense to make a false statement or misrepresentation in this certification, and if I do so, I am subject to criminal prosecution under the law and that it will constitute a material breach of my agreement(s) with the State, permitting the State to declare any contract(s) resulting from this certification void and unenforceable.</small></p>	
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"><div>Full Name (Print): <input style="width: 40%;" type="text"/></div><div>Signature: <input style="width: 40%;" type="text"/></div></div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 5px;">Do Not Enter PIN as a Signature</div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 10px;"><div>Title: <input style="width: 40%;" type="text"/></div><div>Date: <input style="width: 40%;" type="text"/></div></div>	

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STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP

N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2 (P.L. 1977, c.33, as amended by P.L. 2016, c.43)

This statement shall be completed, certified to, and included with all bid and proposal submissions. Failure to submit the required information is cause for automatic rejection of the bid or proposal.

Name of Organization: _____

Organization Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

Part I Check the box that represents the type of business organization:

- ☐ Sole Proprietorship (skip Parts II and III, execute certification in Part IV)
- ☐ Non-Profit Corporation (skip Parts II and III, execute certification in Part IV)
- ☐ For-Profit Corporation (any type) ☐ Limited Liability Company (LLC)
- ☐ Partnership ☐ Limited Partnership ☐ Limited Liability Partnership (LLP)
- ☐ Other (be specific): _____

Part II Check the appropriate box

- ☐ The list below contains the names and addresses of all stockholders in the corporation who own 10 percent or more of its stock, of any class, or of all individual partners in the partnership who own a 10 percent or greater interest therein, or of all members in the limited liability company who owns a 10 percent or greater interest therein, as the case may be. **(COMPLETE THE LIST BELOW IN THIS SECTION)**
- OR**
- ☐ No one stockholder in the corporation owns 10 percent or more of its stock, of any class, or no individual partner in the partnership owns a 10 percent or greater interest therein, or no member in the limited liability company owns a 10 percent or greater interest therein, as the case may be. **(SKIP TO PART IV)**

(Please attach additional sheets if more space is needed):

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Name of Individual or Business Entity	Home Address (for Individuals) or Business Address

Part III DISCLOSURE OF 10% OR GREATER OWNERSHIP IN THE STOCKHOLDERS, PARTNERS OR LLC MEMBERS LISTED IN PART II

If a bidder has a direct or indirect parent entity which is publicly traded, and any person holds a 10 percent or greater beneficial interest in the publicly traded parent entity as of the last annual federal Security and Exchange Commission (SEC) or foreign equivalent filing, ownership disclosure can be met by providing links to the website(s) containing the last annual filing(s) with the federal Securities and Exchange Commission (or foreign equivalent) that contain the name and address of each person holding a 10% or greater beneficial interest in the publicly traded parent entity, along with the relevant page numbers of the filing(s) that contain the information on each such person. **Attach additional sheets if more space is needed.**

Website (URL) containing the last annual SEC (or foreign equivalent) filing	Page #'s

Please list the names and addresses of each stockholder, partner or member owning a 10 percent or greater interest in any corresponding corporation, partnership and/or limited liability company (LLC) listed in Part II **other than for any publicly traded parent entities referenced above.** The disclosure shall be continued until names and addresses of every non-corporate stockholder, and individual partner, and member exceeding the 10 percent ownership criteria established pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2 has been listed. **Attach additional sheets if more space is needed.**

Stockholder/Partner/Member and Corresponding Entity Listed in Part II	Home Address (for Individuals) or Business Address

PART IV CERTIFICATION

I, being duly sworn upon my oath, hereby represent that the foregoing information and any attachments thereto to the best of my knowledge are true and complete. I acknowledge: that I am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the bidder/proposer; that the ***Egg Harbor City Board of Education*** is relying on the information contained herein and that I am under a continuing obligation from the date of this certification through the completion of any contracts with the ***Board of Education*** to notify the ***Board of Education*** in writing of any changes to the information contained herein; that I am aware that it is a criminal offense to make a false statement or misrepresentation in this certification, and if I do so, I am subject to criminal prosecution under the law and that it will constitute a material breach of my agreement(s) with the, permitting the ***Board of Education*** to declare any contract(s) resulting from this certification void and unenforceable.

Full Name (Print):		Title:	
Signature:		Date:	

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CERTIFICATION OF NON-INVOLVEMENT IN PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES IN RUSSIA OR BELARUS

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-60.1, et seq. ([L. 2022, c. 3](#)) any person or entity (hereinafter "Vendor") that seeks to enter into or renew a contract with a State agency for the provision of goods or services, or the purchase of bonds or other obligations, must complete the certification below indicating whether or not the Vendor is identified on the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons list, available here: <https://sanctionssearch.ofac.treas.gov/>. If the Department of the Treasury finds that a Vendor has made a certification in violation of the law, it shall take any action as may be appropriate and provided by law, rule or contract, including but not limited to, imposing sanctions, seeking compliance, recovering damages, declaring the party in default and seeking debarment or suspension of the party.

I, the undersigned, certify that I have read the definition of "Vendor" below, and have reviewed the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons list, and having done so certify:

(Check the Appropriate Box)

- ☐ A. That the Vendor is not identified on the [OFAC Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons list on account of activity related to Russia and/or Belarus](#).

OR

- ☐ B. That I am unable to certify as to "A" above, because the Vendor is identified on the [OFAC Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons list on account of activity related to Russia and/or Belarus](#).

OR

- ☐ C. That I am unable to certify as to "A" above, because the Vendor is identified on the [OFAC Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons list](#). However, the Vendor is engaged in activity related to Russia and/or Belarus consistent with federal law, regulation, license or exemption. A detailed description of how the Vendor's activity related to Russia and/or Belarus is consistent with federal law is set forth below.

Signature of Vendor's Authorized Representative	Date
Print Name and Title of Vendor's Authorized Representative	Vendor's FEIN
Vendor's Name	Vendor's Phone Number
Vendor's Address (Street Address)	Vendor's Fax Number
Vendor's Address (City/State/Zip Code)	Vendor's Email Address

ⁱ Vendor means: (1) A natural person, corporation, company, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, limited liability company, business association, sole proprietorship, joint venture, partnership, society, trust, or any other nongovernmental entity, organization, or group; (2) Any governmental entity or instrumentality of a government, including a multilateral development institution, as defined in Section 1701(c)(3) of the International Financial Institutions Act, 22 U.S.C. 262r(c)(3); or (3) Any parent, successor, subunit, direct or indirect subsidiary, or any entity under common ownership or control with, any entity described in paragraph (1) or (2).

(To be completed, signed below & returned with proposal)

**NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT
Occupational Therapy Services**

Re: Proposal for the Egg Harbor City Board of Education

STATE OF NEW JERSEY)

ss:

COUNTY OF _____)

I, _____ of the City of _____

in the County of _____ and the State of _____

of full age, being duly sworn according to law on my oath depose and say that: I

am _____ (Position in Company) of the firm of

_____ and the bidder making the Proposal for the above names contract, and that I executed the said Proposal with full authority so to do; that I have not, directly or indirectly, entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, discussed any or all parts of this proposal with any potential bidders, or otherwise taken any action in restraint of free, competitive bidding in connection with the above named bid, and that all statements contained in said Proposal and in this affidavit are true and correct, and made with full knowledge that the Egg Harbor City Board of Education relies upon the truth of the statements contained in said Proposal and in the statements contained in this affidavit in awarding the contract for the said bid.

I further warrant that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure such contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee, except bona fide employees of bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by

(Print Name of Contractor/Vendor)

Subscribed and sworn to: _____

(SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTOR/VENDOR)

before me this _____ day of _____, _____
Month Year

Print Name of Notary Public

NOTARY PUBLIC SIGNATURE

My commission expires _____, _____ – Seal –
Month Day Year

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Vendor Questionnaire/Certification
Occupational Therapy Services
2024/2025

Name of Company _____
Street Address _____ PO Box _____
City, State, Zip _____
Business Phone Number (____) _____ Ext. _____
Emergency Phone Number (____) _____
FAX No. (____) _____ E-Mail _____
Years in Business _____ Number of Employees _____

References – Work previously done for School Systems/or similar entities in New Jersey

	<u>Name of District</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Contact Person/Title</u>	<u>Phone</u>
1.	_____	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____	_____

Vendor Certification

Direct/Indirect Interests

I declare and certify that no member of the Egg Harbor City Board of Education, nor any officer or employee or person whose salary is payable in whole or in part by said Board of Education or their immediate family members are directly or indirectly interested in this bid or in the supplies, materials, equipment, work or services to which it relates, or in any portion of profits thereof. If a situation so exists where a Board member, employee, officer of the board has an interest in the bid, etc., then please attach a letter of explanation to this document, duly signed by the president of the firm or company.

Gifts; Gratuities; Compensation

I declare and certify that no person from my firm, business, corporation, association or partnership offered or paid any fee, commission or compensation, or offered any gift, gratuity or other thing of value to any school official, board member or employee of the Egg Harbor City Board of Education.

Vendor Contributions

I declare and certify that I fully understand N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-6.3(a1-4) concerning vendor contributions to school board members.

I certify that I am not an official or employee of the Egg Harbor City Board of Education.

I further certify that I understand that it is a crime in the second degree in New Jersey to knowingly make a material representation that is false in connection with the negotiation, award or performance of a government contract.

President or Authorized Agent
Signature

(To be completed, signed below & returned with proposal)

EXHIBIT A

MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE

NJ.S.A. 10:5-31 et. seq., NJ.A.C. 17:27

GOODS, PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND GENERAL SERVICE CONTRACTS

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Except with respect to affectional or sexual orientation and gender identity or expression, the contractor will ensure that equal employment opportunity is afforded to such applicants in recruitment and employment, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Such equal employment opportunity shall include, but not limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Public Agency Compliance Officer setting forth provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will send to each labor union or representative or workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer advising the labor union or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this act and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

The contractor or subcontractor where applicable, agrees to comply with any regulations promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to **N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq.** as amended and supplemented from time to time and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to make good faith efforts to afford equal employment opportunities to minority and women workers consistent with Good faith efforts to meet targeted county employment goals

established in accordance with **N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2**, or Good faith efforts to meet targeted county employment goals determined by the Division, pursuant to **N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2**.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to inform in writing its appropriate recruitment agencies including, but not limited to, employment agencies, placement bureaus, colleges, universities, labor unions, that it does not discriminate on the basis of age, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, and that it will discontinue the use of any recruitment agency which engages in direct or indirect discriminatory practices.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to revise any of its testing procedures, if necessary, to assure that all personal testing conforms with the principles of job-related testing, as established by the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey and as established by applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

In conforming with the targeted employment goals, the contractor or subcontractor agrees to review all procedures relating to transfer, upgrading, downgrading and layoff to ensure that all such actions are taken without regard to age, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, consistent with the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey, and applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

The contractor shall submit to the public agency, after notification of award but prior to execution of a goods and services contract, one of the following three documents:

Letter of Federal Affirmative Action Plan
Approval Certificate of Employee Information Report
Employee Information Report Form AA302

The contractor and its subcontractor shall furnish such reports or other documents to the Division of Public Contracts Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance as may be requested by the Division from time to time in order to carry out the purposes of these regulations, and public agencies shall furnish such information as may be requested by the Division of Public Contracts Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance for conducting a compliance investigation pursuant **to Subchapter 10 of the Administrative Code at N.J.A.C.17:27.**

Acknowledgement receipt: _____(Bidder Signature)

_____(Print name)

(To be completed, signed below & returned with proposal)

APPENDIX B

**AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990
Equal Opportunity for Individuals with Disability**

The contractor and the Egg Harbor City Board of Education (hereafter "owner") do hereby agree that the provisions of Title 11 of the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990 (the "Act")

(42 U.S.C. S121 01 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability by public entities in all services, programs, and activities provided or made available by public entities, and the rules and regulations promulgated pursuant there unto, are made a part of this contract. In providing any aid, benefit, or service on behalf of the owner pursuant to this contract, the contractor agrees that the performance shall be in strict compliance with the Act. In the event that the contractor, its agents, servants, employees, or subcontractors violate or are alleged to have violated the Act during the performance of this contract, the contractor shall defend the owner in any action or administrative proceeding commenced pursuant to this Act. The contractor shall indemnify, protect, and save harmless the owner, its agents, servants, and employees from and against any and all suits, claims, losses, demands, or damages, of whatever kind or nature arising out of or claimed to arise out of the alleged violation. The contractor shall, at its own expense, appear, defend, and pay any and all charges for legal services and any and all costs and other expenses arising from such action or administrative proceeding or incurred in connection therewith. In any and all complaints brought pursuant to the owner's grievance procedure, the contractor agrees to abide by any decision of the owner which is rendered pursuant to said grievance procedure. If any action or administrative proceeding results in an award of damages against the owner, or if the owner incurs any expense to cure a violation of the ADA which has been brought pursuant to its grievance procedure, the contractor shall satisfy and discharge the same at its own expense.

The owner shall, as soon as practicable after a claim has been made against it, give written notice thereof to the contractor along with full and complete particulars of the claim. If any action or administrative proceeding is brought against the owner or any of its agents, servants, and employees, the *owner shall* expeditiously forward or have forwarded to the contractor every demand, complaint, notice, summons, pleading, or other process received by the owner or its representatives.

It is expressly agreed and understood that any approval by the owner of the services provided by the contractor pursuant to this contract will not relieve the contractor of the obligation to comply with the Act and to defend, indemnify, protect, and save harmless the owner pursuant to this paragraph.

It is further agreed and understood that the owner assumes no obligation to indemnify or save harmless the contractor, its agents, servants, employees and subcontractors for any claim which may arise out of their performance of this Agreement. Furthermore, the contractor expressly understands and agrees that the provisions of this indemnification clause shall in no way limit the contractor's obligations assumed in this Agreement, nor shall they be construed to relieve the contractor from any liability, nor preclude the owner from taking any other actions available to it under any other provisions of the Agreement or otherwise at law.

Acknowledgement receipt: _____ (Bidder Signature)
_____ (Print name)

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY SERVICES

Purpose of Proposal:

The Egg Harbor City Board of Education, in the County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, is soliciting requests for proposals (RFP's) for the purpose of entering into a contract for Occupational Therapy Services for students in the Charles L. Spragg School and Egg Harbor City Community School.

Background of the School District:

The Egg Harbor City School District consists of two public schools. The Egg Harbor City School District is a rural school district located in Atlantic County, New Jersey. The District serves approximately 578 students between grades Pre-K through 8th grade. The District has approximately 110 employees, of which approximately 95 are full and/or part-time certified teaching positions.

SCOPE OF SERVICES (TECHNICAL CRITERIA)

This Request for Proposals for Occupational Therapy Services seeks to contract with therapist(s), companies, or agencies to provide services for the district. Proposals submitted will be considered to provide services and evaluations for public school students.

The vendor will provide the described services of Occupational Therapy on location in the school district.

All students are to be seen as per times and durations as set forth in their IEPs/504s. There are no exceptions to this rule.

The Contracted Consultant Therapist shall:

- Provide direct therapy for students individually or in small group as per their IEP/ 504
- Conduct thorough evaluations of students as requested
- Write and monitor IEP goals/ 504 goals in the area of Occupational Therapy
- Consult with staff and parents on recommendations and strategies for students
- Monitor staff use of equipment issued for occupational therapy needs and provide training as required
- Attend Child Study Team meetings for students with occupational therapy programs
- Call parents to explain evaluation reports if necessary
- Determine equipment needs and submit orders according to district policies

Submission of Completed Evaluations and/or Reports:

- All evaluations and reports will be sent electronically to the requestor as well as the designated contact in the Department of Special Education via email;
- All evaluations and reports are to be signed, scanned and attached to the email as a PDF file;
- All hard copies of 504 evaluations or reports are to be sent directly to the requestor, the Director of Special Projects.
- All hard copies of evaluations and reports are to be sent directly to the Child Study Team;
- All testing materials should be attached to a hard copy and mailed to the requestor, not to the Office of Special Services.
- All evaluations are to be completed and provided to the requester by the deadline given by the district.
- All evaluations shall be written in accordance with the regulations set forth in New Jersey Administrative Code, in a style approved by the individual licensing bodies. The district may provide sample copies upon awarding of the contract. All reports must be printed on corporate letterhead. Both vendor and evaluator must be easily identified on the submitted report. All submissions must have signature of evaluator.
- This time frame allows sufficient time for the CST to review and, subsequently, provide a copy of this assessment to the parents/guardians of the students no fewer than (10) days prior to a scheduled I.E.P. meeting per **N.J.A.C. 6A:14-3.8**.

Continuity of Service:

Continuity of services to students by the assignment of a single therapist to work with a specific student is extremely important. Therefore, the provision of assurances that such continuity of therapists' services shall occur, (barring unforeseen emergencies), is a necessary element of any vendor's proposal submission.

SEMI-Medicaid Reimbursement Activity:

EHCBOE participates in the SEMI Medicaid Reimbursement program managed by the State of New Jersey. Therefore, as per State regulations, all services provided shall be entered into the PCG database. Training shall be provided at the start of the school year. A New Jersey License as well as Department of Education Certificate is required for therapist's time to meet MEDICAID reimbursement requirements. No unlicensed evaluators or therapists are to be assigned to work with EHCBOE students.

Note: All such data shall be entered no later than thirty (30) days following the end of any service month. Failure to meet this requirement shall cause the subsequent payment for services to be delayed until this error is corrected. Continued

failure shall be reason for contract cancellation.

Companies/Individuals will provide the District with a list of employees, copies of required licenses and/or certification, contact information (phone number and email), location and monthly updates of information based upon changes of employees' caseload.

Performance:

Providers working for the district are expected to perform all duties in a professional manner in accordance with board policies. It is the responsibility of the vendor to review pertinent policies with their staff.

Evaluations of providers shall be made available to the district as needed if requested.

The district reserves the right to request a change in therapist should a violation of board policies occur.

Miscellaneous:

In order to assure absolute avoidance of any appearance of impropriety in the Evaluation-Therapy process, it is the intent of the district to segregate the Providers who are conducting the Evaluation of a student from the Providers of Therapy for the same student in the awarding of the contracts.

Qualifications of Respondents:

Certificates, Licenses, Criminal Background Check: All professional staff assigned to conduct any of the above-listed services, shall be in possession of all appropriate and current certificates of eligibility as well as New Jersey Licenses, as awarded by a New Jersey State agency (DOE, DHS, etc.), charged with such responsibility, or professional licensing entities, as appropriate. Whether providing Evaluation or Therapy services, all therapists either self-employed or employed by a Clinic or Agency shall have a "current" status in the **New Jersey Department of Education Approved Agencies and Clinics** official website. This requirement applies to any vendor with (3) or more employees only. All therapists working with students shall possess a current and active criminal background check.

Providers are to be knowledgeable specifically in the philosophy and principles of Occupational Therapy and be licensed and certified, in order to advise the Supervisor about the nuances of learning and behavior of children.

Sufficiency of Staff:

Any provider submitting a proposal for a specific school population, shall provide assurances that it has sufficient personnel to meet the initial assignment as well as the ability to meet the increasing population to be served as students are identified for services in the ensuing months of the school year. Implementation of services must occur within two (2) weeks of received referral. In the event that a therapist leaves, a replacement must occur within one (1) week of leave.

Attendance of Staff:

All agency personnel are expected to sign in at assigned building on a daily basis. Reporting time for agency personnel will be the same as the contractual start time for district employees in that building.

All missed therapy sessions due to therapist absence must be reported to department supervisor within forty-eight (48) hours, and made up within thirty (30) school days (except in cases of prolonged absence).

Notification of Absence:

In the event of an absence, therapist must notify the Department of Child Study Team/Special Projects AND assigned school building personnel via email before the start of the school day.

Specialized Equipment and/or Materials:

While the Department shall provide classroom space and, where necessary, specialized rooms and/or equipment, any such additional needs, arising from newly identified students, experience or research, shall be made known to the Supervisor of Special Services or designee, immediately so that the appropriate steps for the purchase of such items shall be processed. There shall be no post-purchase reimbursement to any Provider for any deviations from this requirement.

References:

All individuals or Agencies shall submit no fewer than three (3) references from a school, clinic or hospital administrator/supervisor/Director of Special Services attesting as to the quality and scope of services rendered.

Contract Period:

The term of contract will be from **July 1, 2024** or a date after July 1st, as determined by the State of New Jersey and the EHCBOE Board of Education, continuing through **June 30, 2025**, including and or all Summer Sessions/Extended School Year (ESY) which may be scheduled.

Coordination of Activities:

All activities for the procurement of the contract will be coordinated through the office of the Director of Special Projects.

Fee Schedule/Payment

Per hour proposals must be submitted for providing the services for each item listed below:

Billing for the above listed services shall be an hourly rate for the final report. All proposals are required to confirm that fact when the rate is stated. If there are any anticipated deviations from this procedure (e.g. missed scheduled appointments in a Provider's office), such must be stated in the submitted proposal explaining the service and/or reason for any additional billing beyond the report itself.

All fees for service shall be paid in the billing cycle one month following the service delivery. All bills for payment shall be submitted on the forms provided by the Board of Education and must be accompanied by the Service Verification forms, signed by the parent or school staff member, and shall appear as a full hour and prorated for time segments other than 60 minutes.

Service Verification:

All vouchers submitted in support of a request for payment, must have attached a *Verification of Service*, provided by the vendor, which has been signed by either a school administrator, or the child's parent or guardian. Each therapy session billed must show the name of the person who conducted that session, especially when there is an absence or leave. In those instances, where a report is generated and received by the district, that assessment shall be considered equivalent to this form. In the case of an evaluation, a copy of the evaluation must be included with the invoice as proof of service. Group sessions must include the name of all students on the service verification form. All completed forms must be remitted to the Director of Special Projects for approval for payment.

Procedural Expectations:

The following are part of the additional procedural expectations attending to the awarding of a final contract:

- Unless Vouchers for Payment are received in the Office of Special Services by the first (1st) of the month following the billing (or the first business day after if the first (1st) is a weekend or holiday) payment by the district will be delayed.
- Upon receipt of a contract and the commencement of service, NO SERVICES NOT SPECIFIED IN THE AWARD MAY BE PROVIDED. IF SUBMITTED, SUCH PAYMENT SHALL NOT BE MADE. There are no exceptions to this absolute requirement.
- All fees for service shall be paid in the billing cycle one month following the service delivery. All bills for payment shall be submitted on the forms provided by the Board of Education and must be accompanied by the Service Verification forms, signed by the parent or school staff member.
- All Vouchers for Payment must be submitted separately for each of the district's schools, as well as those out of district schools where EHCBOE students are placed.

- All Vouchers for Payment for services to non-public schools (sectarian and non-sectarian) located in Egg Harbor City are to be on separate Vouchers as well.
- Every Voucher must identify the school in which the service was provided. For those rare circumstances where services are provided at home or at a place of business, a separate Voucher must be submitted bearing that information.
- Services are provided **only** on days listed in each school's calendar
- Services are not provided on the days when schools are closed due to inclement weather. Any charges incurred during inclement weather days will not be paid by EHCBOE.

Note: The district shall not pay for any missed appointments or therapy scheduled. In the event that a Therapist is absent, a session must be rescheduled within 30 days. In the event that a student is absent, the District will not pay for a make-up session.

Make up sessions must be noted on all Service Verification Forms.

In rare cases, compensatory services may be approved. Be cautioned that the District will not pay for any compensatory services that are not approved in writing by the Office of Special Services. All compensatory services must be billed on separate Service Verification Forms.

Presentation Package – (Evaluative Criteria) N.J.A.C. 5:34-4.2:

EHCBOE seeks from all participating respondents' information that will assist the district in selecting the respondent who will provide the highest quality services at a fair and competitive price. All respondents shall prepare a presentation package to be submitted with the RFP. The Presentation Package shall include at a minimum the following:

I. Technical Criteria

A. Description of Services

Respondents should list all services to be rendered with an explanation in detail on how they will provide the services. Respondents shall provide evidence of how services of similar type were provided to other public/private school districts in New Jersey. Respondents by submitting a proposal acknowledge that they fully understand the scope of service, work and activity to be performed. Respondents are to provide evidence of any innovation and/or successful approach in providing the services requested.

II. Management Criteria

A. Business Organization

The respondent shall submit a full description of the business organization to include, but not be limited to:

- Name, address, phone, fax, website, and other information of the professional firm or

- individual;
- An organizational chart noting the names of all the principals and partners;
- Resumes of key staff members and all individuals who would be assigned to carry out the services for which this proposal is being submitted;

B. Qualifications; Relevant Experience

Respondents shall submit documentation highlighting qualifications and experience they have that will assist the school district in the evaluation and selection process. Such documentation shall include, but not be limited to:

- Evidence of providing services as listed in the specifications to at least three (1-2) public/private school districts in New Jersey in the past five (5) years.
- Approx. (2) letters of recommendation from public school districts in New Jersey;
- A list of all public and private schools which have been serviced by the Respondent in the past five (5) years;
- Copies of all professional licenses that are required to perform the services as listed in the specifications;
- List any judgments within the last three (3) years and/or a list of bankruptcy or organizational proceedings within the last ten (10) years;
- Other information concerning the firm and/or individuals of the firm that would assist the school district in the evaluation process;

III. Cost Criteria

A. Fee Proposal

Respondents are to submit a fee proposal schedule that compliments the service that is being requested by the school district. Fees will be based upon hourly rates for the following services:

- Occupational Therapy
- Evaluations
- Consult with staff and parents on recommendations and strategies for students
- Attend Child Study Team meetings for students with Programs

(The district will not pay for mileage or other costs associated with the travel of the therapist.)

Contract expenses

Respondents are to note the following as it pertains to expenses related to the contract:

- Expenses; Related to Contract; Incidental

All incidental expenses related to this contract, incurred by the respondent to whom the contract is awarded, shall be the responsibility of the respondent. The Board will not reimburse any vendor for any incidental expenses related to the contract.

- Expenses Not Related to the Contract; District Procedures

There may be a circumstance where a request is made for the respondent to provide services not directly related to the contract. These services not related to the contract are not to be provided by the respondent. The district will procure these services separately.

- Extraordinary expenses

Extraordinary expenses to be incurred by the respondent in the performance of his duties may be brought to the board prior to the actual expenditure. The Board, upon recommendation of the appropriate administrator, may consider reimbursing the expense, or the Board may procure the services separately.

EVALUATION PROCESS; METHODOLOGY OF AWARDING CONTRACT

All responses are to be evaluated on the basis of whose response is the most advantageous to the district, price and other factors considered, and whose response will provide the highest quality of service at fair and competitive prices.

The board of education will use a one hundred (100) point system in evaluating all proposals. The criteria to be evaluated are identified below:

	<u>Category</u>	<u>Value Points</u>
I.	Technical Criteria	30
II.	Management Criteria	30
III.*	Cost Criteria	40

**The Office of the School Business Administrator will assist in the evaluation of the Cost Criteria of all proposals received.*

EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS -- Evaluation Committee

A committee may be selected to evaluate proposals that have been submitted. Committee members will be familiar with the need for services to be performed in the request for proposal.

Committee members, if chosen, will be identified in the final report submitted to the board and also in the award of contract resolution.

All proposals will be evaluated pursuant to guidance issued in N.J.A.C. 5:34-4.2-Model Evaluation Criteria and in accordance with guidance issued the Office of State Comptroller and its publication.

“Best Practices for Awarding Services Contracts”

AWARD OF CONTRACT--RFP AWARD

The School Business Administrator shall evaluate all proposals received. She may use the assistance of a committee to evaluate the proposals.

It is the intention of the Egg Harbor City Board of Education to award the contract to the respondent whose response is the most advantageous to the board, price and other factors considered; and who will provide the highest quality service at fair and competitive prices.

It is the intention of the Egg Harbor City Board of Education to award the contract at the **June 5, 2024** regular public meeting.

Rights of Board of Education

The Board reserves, holds and may exercise, at its sole discretion, the following rights and options with regard to this RFP and the procurement process in accordance with the provisions of applicable law:

- To determine that any Proposal Statement received complies or fails to comply with the terms of this RFP.
- To supplement, amend or otherwise modify the RFP through issuance of addenda to all prospective Respondents who have received a copy of this RFP.
- To waive any technical non-conformance with the terms of this RFP.
- To change or alter the schedule for any events called for in this RFP upon the issuance of notice to all prospective Respondents who have received a copy of this RFP.
- To conduct investigations of any or all of the Respondents, as the Board deems necessary or convenient, to clarify the information provided as part of the Proposal

Statement and to request additional information to support the information included in any Proposal Statement.

- To suspend or terminate the procurement process described in this RFP at any time (in its sole discretion.) If terminated, the Board may determine to commence a new procurement process or exercise any other rights provided under applicable law without any obligation to the Respondents.

The Board shall be under no obligation to complete all or any portion of the procurement process described in this RFP.

(To be completed, signed below & returned with proposal)

**EGG HARBOR CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
730 HAVANA AVE., EGG HARBOR CITY, NJ 08215**

Pricing Proposal Form

Occupational Therapy

I/we hereby submit the following pricing for the services as specified:

<i>Service</i>	<i>Hourly Rate</i>
• Occupational Therapy Sessions	\$ _____
• Evaluations	\$ _____
• Small Group Sessions	\$ _____
• Teacher Consults/IEP meetings or 504 meetings	\$ _____

Name of Company _____

Address _____

Telephone No. _____ Ext. _____ Fax No. _____

E-Mail: _____ Tax ID Number _____

Authorized Agent _____ Title _____

Authorized Signature _____ **Date** _____