DARLINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	Solicitation #	RFP2425-05a
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Addendum # 1

Description of solicitation: **Comprehensive Educational Software Solution – Cooperative Contract**

Offeror is required to submit a signed copy of this Addendum form with their bid or check box on first page of bid document for acknowledgement of receipt.

NAME OF OFFEROR	
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE	
TITLE OF AUTHORIZED SIGNER	
PRINTED NAME	DATE

AMENDMENTS TO SOLICITATION a) The Solicitation may be amended at any time prior to opening. All actual and prospective Offerors should monitor the following web site for the issuance of Addendum http://www.dcsdschools.org Click Departments, Click Business Office, Click Procurement, Click Solicitations, Click 2024-25 Solicitations, (b) Bidders shall acknowledge receipt of any Amendment to this solicitation (1) by signing and returning the Amendment, (2) by letter, or (3) by submitting a bid that indicates in some way that the bidder received the amendment.

Solicitation has been amended as follows:

Bid Submittal

The District shall receive all bids no later than the date and time specified on the cover page. The District will accept bids via email if you choose to do so. When the bids are received, it will be printed and put in an envelope and sealed for specified bid opening time. It will be the bidder's responsibility to check with the Procurement Officer to make sure the bid was received before the opening date/time. The District will not accept any responsibility for bids that were not received or followed up on in a timely manner.

Student and Course Information

1. **Which grade levels will be served by the district under this opportunity?**
    - Grades 6-12.
2. **Will all 8,500 students be served virtually through the selected platform?**
    - No, the solution will be used by students attending both in-person and virtual models.

3. **How many students are expected to be served virtually?**
    - Grades 3-5: Fewer than 10 students
    - Grades 6-8: Approximately 60 students
    - Grades 9-12: Approximately 150 students
4. **How many courses will each enrolled student be assigned?**
    - Students taking courses for initial credit will be assigned 2-5 courses.
5. **What is the district's approximate budget for this opportunity?**
    - No budget information was provided.
6. **Will only Darlington County School District teachers be used?**
    - The district is open to both Courseware-only options and contracted SC-certified online teachers.
7. **What Student Information System (SIS) does the district use?**
    - PowerSchool.
8. **Will the district require integration services (GradeSync, Rostering, or both)?**
    - Yes, both.
9. **When does the academic year start?**
    - 2025-2026 school year.
10. **What is the district's course and grading segmentation?**
    - Course segmentation: Semester and quarterly
    - Grading segmentation: Quarterly
11. **What devices do students in the district use?**
    - K-8: iPads
    - 9-12: MacBooks

Software and Implementation Requirements

18. **Will professional development be a mix of face-to-face and virtual training?**
    - Yes.
19. **What grade bands does the software need to support?**

- K-12: Digital Curriculum, Universal Screener, Prescriptive Software
- Grades 8-12: Courseware solutions

20. **Is Schoology integration required?**
    - Schoology integration is preferred but not required.
21. **Can vendors access the SIS for integration in July?**
    - Highly doubtful; the district will work with the software team to ensure proper access through ClassLink.
22. **Should vendors provide separate pricing for middle and high school packages?**
    - Yes, vendors should provide pricing for a full K-12 solution as well as separate middle and high school packages.
23. **What is the student enrollment number for the three-year quote?**
    - K-8: Approximately 6,500 students
    - 9-12: Approximately 2,500 students
    - 6-12: Approximately 4,500 students
    - Total: 8,500 students per year
24. **Is there flexibility in professional development commitments?**
    - Some flexibility is possible, but vendors who can accommodate the district's request will score higher.
25. **What security and compliance standards must be met?**
    - Vendors must complete the Software Vendor Evaluation Form (bit.ly/DCSDVENDOR) and Data Sharing Agreement (bit.ly/DCSDDATASA).

Procurement and Contracting

26. **Will other districts be able to purchase from this contract?**
    - Yes, Anderson School District One is included in the cooperative purchasing agreement.
27. **What type of assessment model does the district use?**
    - The district currently uses standards based grading.
28. **Should vendors provide a flat rate or tiered pricing?**
    - Tiered pricing with multi-year discounts is preferred.

29. **Are bids for 9-12 grade-only solutions accepted?**

- Yes, for courses supporting initial credit and credit recovery.

30. **Does the district prefer a broad course catalog?**

- Yes, the district seeks a solution supporting all high school core and elective courses.

31. **Should the software support a continuous K-12 curriculum or individual courses?**

- K-8: Digital curriculum and universal screener
- 9-12: Courseware for credit recovery and initial credit

32. **Will AP materials be considered?**

- Yes.

33. **Is the district seeking a solution for grades 6-12 or K-12?**

- Seeking a solution for all K-12 students
  i. K-12 (Digital Curriculum, Universal Screener, Adaptive Software)
  ii. 6-12 (Courseware solutions)

For additional inquiries, please contact Criselda Mendoza-Landa at criselda.mendozaland@darlington.k12.sc.us.