STRIDE ACADEMY

Request for Proposal

Solid Waste and Recycling Services

Issue Date: 5.16.2025
Proposal Due Date: 6.1.2025



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TIMELINE

PLEASE REFER TO THE TIMELINE BELOW FOR KEY DATES AND DEADLINES ASSOCIATED WITH THIS PROPOSAL

MAY

MAY 16, 2025 – RFP RELEASED

MAY 23, 2025 – DEADLINE FOR QUESTIONS

JUNE

JUNE 1, 2025 (4:00 PM CST) – PROPOSAL SUBMISSION DEADLINE

JUNE 2–6, 2025 – PROPOSAL REVIEW PERIOD

JUNE 9, 2025 – NOTIFICATION OF SELECTION

JULY

JULY 1, 2025 – ANTICIPATED SERVICE START DATE

SEPTEMBER

01 Introduction

STRIDE Academy, a public charter school in St. Cloud, Minnesota, is requesting proposals from qualified contractors to provide weekly trash and recycling collection services at two school campuses. The successful provider must ensure timely pickup, responsive customer support, and compliance with all applicable waste handling regulations



02 Background

STRIDE Academy serves students in grades PreK–8 across two locations. With a growing enrollment and dual-campus structure, consistent waste removal is essential to maintaining safe and sanitary school environments. This RFP covers weekly solid waste and recycling collection at both campuses, with service beginning in July of 2025.



03 Scope of Services

The contractor will be responsible for:

- **Providing and maintaining trash and recycling dumpsters at the following locations:**

  STRIDE Elementary (Primary Campus):
  3241 Oakham Lane, St. Cloud, MN 56301

  STRIDE Secondary (Athlos Building):
  3701 33rd Street South, St. Cloud, MN 56301
- **Scheduled pickups for:**
  - **Solid waste (trash) 2 x Weekly**
  - **Recyclables (single-stream or dual-stream) 1 x Week**
  - **Additional pickups as requested during high-volume periods**
  - **Replacing or repairing dumpsters as needed (excluding misuse)**
  - **Disposing of all materials in accordance with local, state, and federal regulations**
  - **Adjusting pickup schedules in coordination with STRIDE Academy for holidays, snow days, or school closures**

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04 Proposal Requirements

All proposals must include:

1. Cover Letter summarizing interest and service availability
2. Description of available dumpster sizes and number proposed per site
3. Weekly pickup schedule with flexibility for school needs
4. Details on recycling process and accepted materials
5. Detailed pricing breakdown, including:
    a. Monthly rate per dumpster
    b. Recycling service fees (if separate)
    c. Extra pickup or overflow fees
    d. Fuel/environmental surcharges
    e. Container replacement or delivery fees
6. Proof of insurance and applicable licensure
7. Three references from similar institutional or school clients
8. Disclosure of any actual or potential conflicts of interest

05 Evaluation Criteria

Proposals will be evaluated based on:

1. Experience providing waste and recycling services
2. Service flexibility and ability to serve two campuses
3. Cost transparency and value
4. Environmental practices and recycling capabilities
5. References and customer support record

06 Submission Instructions

Proposals must be submitted by June 1 by 3:00 p.m.. All proposals should be sent via email in PDF format to:

RFP@strideacademy.org
Subject Line: Solid Waste & Recycling Proposal – [Your Name or Company Name]

Please ensure your proposal includes all required components listed above. Incomplete proposals or proposals received after the deadline may not be considered.

Optional (if applicable):
If any portion of the proposal requires mailing (e.g., sealed hard copy or notarized documents), it must be received by the due date at the following address:

STRIDE Academy
Attn: Dr. Eric Skanson, Executive Director
3241 Oakham Lane
St. Cloud, MN 56301

Note: Emailed submissions are preferred unless otherwise specified.



07 Fiduciary Responsibility and Conflict of Interest

The selected firm must act in the best interest of STRIDE Academy at all times, offering independent and objective advice. All actual or potential conflicts of interest must be disclosed immediately upon identification.

08 Terms and Conditions

- STRIDE Academy reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals.
- Final selection is subject to satisfactory background checks, credential verification, and references.
- The selected contractor will serve as an independent contractor, not an employee of STRIDE Academy.
- A formal Independent Contractor Agreement will be executed prior to beginning service.

Conflict of Interest Disclosure:

- Under Minnesota Statutes §§ 124E.07 and 124E.14:
- Contractors owned by, employing, or related to current STRIDE Academy employees or board members are ineligible.
- Contractors with business conflicts of interest are ineligible.
- Violations may result in contract termination and financial penalties.
- STRIDE Academy is an equal opportunity organization and does not discriminate on the basis of race, ethnicity, religion, gender, age, or disability.



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RFP Title: _____

RFP Issue Date: May 1, 2025
Proposal Due Date: June 1, 2025 at 4:00 PM CST

Contractor Information
FieldResponse
Company/Contractor Name:

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Mailing Address:

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City, State, ZIP Code:

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Primary Contact Person:

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Title/Position:

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Email Address:

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Phone Number:

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Website (if applicable):

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Proposal Summary

Proposed Total Project Cost:

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Proposed Service Start Date:

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Brief Description of Services Proposed:

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Certification and Signature

□ I certify that I am authorized to submit this proposal on behalf of the company/organization listed above.

□ I certify that all information provided in this proposal is true and complete.

□ I have reviewed and agree to the terms of the RFP, including the Conflict of Interest Disclosure required by Minnesota Statutes §§ 124E.07 and 124E.14.

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____