

**Welcome to the Pre-Bid Meeting for  
CCS Project No.26005 – Auditorium & Gymnasium Upgrades at Multiple Sites**

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# Columbus City Schools – Auditorium & Gymnasium Upgrades at Multiple Sites

## Pre-Bid Meeting Agenda

January 27, 2026

*\*Items highlighted in yellow updated after Pre-Bid Meeting*

1. Welcome/Introductions to the Project Team
  - a. **Dan Cline Project Manager** – Columbus City Schools
  - b. **Alex Trevino, Facility Director** – Columbus City Schools
  - c. **Brandie Bronston Houpe, Construction Contracts Manager** – Columbus City Schools
  - d. **Dusty Lake, Project Manager** – DLR Group
  - e. **Jessica Horstkotte, Project Manager** – DLR Group
  
2. Administrative Items
  - a. Electronic bids shall be received until **Tuesday, February 10, 2026 at 10:00 am** by Capital Improvements Office.
    - i. Please use the following link to access the bid:  
<http://www.publicpurchase.com/gems/browse/home>
    - ii. The “Select Region” and “Select Agency” icons in the mid to upper, right corner of the screen must be used to locate our District before viewing our bids.
    - iii. Please register in Public Purchase even if you are not interested in this particular bid. (If you register in Public Purchase under a commodity and we select that commodity when creating a bid, you will receive an automatic notification.)
    - iv. Please note the following:
      1. Registration on the Public Purchase website is free.
      2. For your initial registration with Public Purchase, it will take Public Purchase about an hour to process. Please allow time for this processing after you register.
      3. Additional guidelines for using Public Purchase can be found on the District’s website using the following link:  
<http://www.ccsch.us/Vendors.aspx>
    - v. **All bids must be submitted to Public Purchase. We cannot accept any in person, faxed, or e-mailed bids.**
    - vi. Pre-Bid RFI questions may to be submitted in **written form** via email to Dusty Lake & Jessica Horstkotte at DLR Group, Office PH 614-230-4131 or [dlake@dlrgroup.com](mailto:dlake@dlrgroup.com) & [jhorstkotte@dlrgroup.com](mailto:jhorstkotte@dlrgroup.com) . Upon formal issuance to AOR, please email Project Manager, Dan Cline at [dcline@columbus.k12.oh.us](mailto:dcline@columbus.k12.oh.us). **Questions may also be submitted through Public Purchase.**
    - vii. Please note: **All RFIs will only be answered in the project Addenda. Questions submitted via Public Purchase will be answered on Public Purchase, and also answered in project Addenda.**

- b. DLR Group shall respond to RFIs received more than 5 days before the bid opening. Deadline for RFIs is **Wednesday, February 4, 2026 at 10:00am**.
  - i. Please note: **All RFIs will only be answered in the project Addenda.**
- c. LEDE & Workforce Participation
  - i. Community Inclusion Program – Local and Economically Disadvantaged Enterprises
    - 1. LEDE Participation Goal is **20%** and Workforce Participation Goal is **25%**
    - 2. Community Inclusion forms will be required
    - 3. <http://www.ccsch.us/Vendors.aspx>
      - a. LEDE Vendor List
      - b. LEDE Certification Affidavit Instructions
    - 4. Prime Contractors new to Columbus City Schools will be required to submit a Vendor Application prior to receiving a Purchase Order/Notice to Proceed. (check website [www.ccsch.us](http://www.ccsch.us) – navy top band, click on word - Vendors)

3. Project Overview

- a. Bid Package – Auditorium & Gymnasium Upgrades at Multiple Sites
  - i. Single prime for all Work defined by the Contract Documents.
  - ii. DLR Group overview of project scope
  - iii. Bid Form
    - 1. Base Bid
      - a. General Trades
    - 2. Alternates - None
    - 3. Prevailing Wage Rates do **NOT** apply to this project.
  - iv. Allowance: None at this time
  - v. Unit Prices: None at this time
  - vi. Addendum: **Addendum No.1 Issues on 1/26/26**
    - 1. Final addendum to be issued no later than **Thursday, February 5, 2028 @ 10:00am** via Franklin Imaging & Public Purchase
  - vii. Estimates:
    - 1. Hilltonia MS – \$1,575,000.00
    - 2. Marion Franklin HS – \$1,925,000.00
- b. General Information
  - i. Any permits are to be secured by the Contractor.
  - ii. Temporary Facilities – By the Contractor, may use school utilities if available.

4. Default Guideline Schedule

- a. 02/10/26 Electronic Bids Due to Public Purchase website (Prior to 10:00am)
- b. 02/12/26 Virtual Post Bid Review @ 10:00AM (Link will be sent following bid opening)
- c. 02/13/26 Bid Evaluation and Paperwork for Purchase Order due
- d. 03/03/26 Contract Approval – BOE Review
- e. 03/10/26 Notice to Proceed – PO Issued
- f. 6/03/26 Work on Site May Begin
- g. 8/07/26 Substantial Completion
- h. 12/31/26 Contract Completion

5. Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation (OBWC)/Drug Free Safety Program (DFSP)

- a. All prime contractors, subcontractors and lower-tier subcontractors are to be in good standing with the OBWC's DFSP or a comparable program approved by the OBWC that meets the requirements specified in O.R.C. Section 153.03.

6. Safety Precautions

- a. Each member of its jobsite workforce to complete an Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) 10 or 30 Hour Construction Course and have at least one Project supervisor to complete an OSHA 30 Hour Construction Course.

7. General Items

a. Bid Documents

- i. Documents available for purchase at Franklin Imaging 614-885-6894 or [printroom@franklinimaging.com](mailto:printroom@franklinimaging.com) or [jeramy@franklinimaging.com](mailto:jeramy@franklinimaging.com)
- ii. Documents are available to view for free via Public Purchase.
- iii. Documents are available to view electronically/online if you are a member of:
  - 1. McGraw Hill Construction Dodge / Builders Exchange of Central Ohio Plan Room, 1175 Dublin Road, Columbus, Ohio 43215; **Project information may be viewed at Dodge Data & Analytics at:** <http://dodgeprojects.construction.com/>
  - 2. The Builders Exchange, 9555 Rockside Road, Suite 300, Valley View, OH 44125

8. Delivery of Quotes – Follow Instructions in Notice to Bidders

- a. Electronic bids shall be received until **Tuesday, February 10, 2026 at 10:00am** by Capital Improvements Office – via **Public Purchase**.
- b. Follow Instructions in Notice to Bidders and Item 2a of this agenda to submit bids on Public Purchase.
- c. Bid Tab will be posted to District website after bids are opened on **Tuesday** morning. Please check website for bid tab before reaching out to District staff:  
[http://www.columbus.k12.oh.us/website.nsf/\(ccs\\_pages\)/CCS\\_RFP?opendocument](http://www.columbus.k12.oh.us/website.nsf/(ccs_pages)/CCS_RFP?opendocument)

9. Site Visitation/Building Access

- a. Meet Project Manager Dan Cline at Hilltonia MS at 11:30am.
- Hilltonia MS – 2345 W. Mound Street – Columbus, Ohio 43204
- Marion Franklin HS – 1265 Koebel Road – Columbus, Ohio 43207

10. If attending this Virtual Pre-Bid Meeting, please be sure to email Construction Contracts Manager, Brandie Bronston Houpe, your information at the following [bbronston@columbus.k12.oh.us](mailto:bbronston@columbus.k12.oh.us) including: Name, company, email address

11. Questions?

- When will project clean-up be bid. ***Dan noted that will be the GC who wins the bid. If you want to bid that, reach out the GC who is awarded the project.***
- Is the GC to carry builders risk and construction permit? ***To my knowledge yes.***
- Does the project require bidding both schools or can you bid on only one. ***Dusty noted each site can be bid separately or you can bid both schools.***
- Joseph Hummell asked if someone attended the virtual pre-bid from outside of the Columbus area, can a second site visit be scheduled? In lieu of the current weather conditions and the bid date being 2 weeks away, can an additional site visit be scheduled? ***If additional site tours are scheduled they will be posted on the district website for all to attend. Please reach out to Dan Cline, CCS PM and cc Brandie Bronston Houpe for request. One additional site tour is scheduled for Tuesday, 2/3/26, meet CCS PM Dan Cline at Hilltonia at 11:30AM***
- It was asked was demo and removal of the seating was a part of the project. ***DLR noted yes, the bid should include provisions for the demolition and removal of existing auditorium seating.***

