Bamberg Schools Questions and Answers
Solicitation Number: Custodial2026-DO

Questions submitted by The Budd Group:

1. Section 3.1.2.1 (Interior Matting): Is the contractor responsible for the purchase and replacement of interior matting, or is the scope limited to the cleaning and rotation of District-owned mats? The contractor is not responsible for replacing matting.

2. Price Page: For the "deep clean" requirement prior to 6/30/2026, should the vendor provide a single firm-fixed price for district-wide floor stripping and waxing, or an hourly labor rate? The Contractor should provide a fixed price.

3. Please clarify the conflict between Section 1.7 and Section 3.1.1.10: Is the Contractor required to provide and pay for daytime custodial staff at each school, or will these positions be staffed and paid for by the District? The District will retain five custodians that will be employed as day porters. The daytime custodial staff referenced in section 3.1.1.10 are to be included in the agreed upon full-time employee count supplied by the vendor.

4. Section 1.7 (Staffing) and Price Page (Deep Clean): Section 1.7 states that the District provides daytime custodians at each school. Please clarify if these District-employed custodians will be available to assist the Contractor with the mandated summer deep cleaning (floor stripping/waxing) prior to June 30, 2026, or if the Contractor is responsible for providing 100% of the labor for this cleaning. The summer deep clean is an extra billable item and vendors may opt to not include a bid for the item. District custodial staff may be available for this activity as part of the final negotiation process.

5. Section 1.7 (Staffing): Does the requirement for "Full-Time Employees" for the night staff mean that all nighttime positions must be 40-hour-per-week roles, or is the Contractor permitted to utilize part-time employees to meet the staffing needs? The RFP states a negotiated Full-Time Employee (FTE) number.

6. Evaluation Criteria (Board Presentation): The point evaluation table lists 'Transition Plan' as the only sub-criterion for the 10-point Board Presentation. Is the presentation strictly limited to the Transition Plan, or should it provide a comprehensive overview of the entire proposal, including Experience, Staffing, and Quality Control? Vendors will have fifteen (15) minutes for their presentations and should plan accordingly based on the scoring rubric.

7. Submission Requirements (Discrepancy in Copy Count): The Cover Page (page 1) requests one (1) original and three (3) copies, while Section 1.2 (page 4) requests one (1) original and two (2) copy sets. Please clarify the total number of sets required. The submission count is (1) original and (3) copies. The posted RFP has been corrected to reflect this.

Questions submitted by ABM:

1. BCSD will provide daytime district-employed custodians at each school. Are vendors supplying day custodians for each school, or will the district be assigning day custodians? The District will retain five custodians that will be employed as day porters. The daytime custodial staff referenced in section 3.1.1.10 are to be included in the agreed upon the full time employee count supplied by the vendor.

2. If the district provides day custodians, how many are assigned to each school? The district will supply two custodians at the Denmark Campus and one at each school in Bamberg.

What are there shift times? They will work from 6:00 am – 2:30 pm, with a half-hour for lunch.

Will these custodians assist the vendor with the summer clean? If the summer clean is referencing the extra billable deep clean, then vendors may opt to not include a bid for the item. District custodial staff may be available for this activity as part of the final negotiation process. For general summer cleaning district retained staff will have summer cleaning asignments.

3.RFP Section 6.2.13. Initial Term- 3 Years, with extensions only upon Client Superintendent Approval- This differs from RFP Section 1.3. Which is correct? Section 1.3 is correct; the posted RFP will be corrected to reflect this.

4. Are Commercial Pesticide Applicators Permit and registration with the Department of Agriculture required to be included in the vendors proposal response? This is not applicable.

Questions submitted by Pritchard

1. Does the district provide day porters or does the vendor? If it's the vendor do require a certain FTE for each site? The District is providing five (5) day porters. Vendors should propose the number of FTEs they determine are needed per site/total number of FTEs.

2. How many days including summer clean day does the district mandate employees work? The District requires the custodians to work 240 days.

3. Do you want an Exhibit B completed for each school included in our proposal? Yes.

4. Does the district want an Account manager and a night manager? Per the RFP: The offeror will provide one daytime Account Manager, one nighttime assistant manager, a supervisor at each school, and an agreed-upon number of full-time custodians at each school.

New Questions from ABM:

- Is the district mandating vendors work employees 235 days per year? The District Custodian are required to work 240 days per year.

- What is the current student count at each school? Denmark Campus – 517; Bamberg-Ehrhardt High School – 374; Bamberg-Ehrhardt Middle – 176; Richard Carroll Elementary School – 617.