



May 6, 2026

## **Notice to Respondents - Addendum to Bid #26-021 Playground Wood Chips**

### **ADDENDUM #4**

Community Consolidated School District 15 has an addendum regarding Bid #26-021 Playground Wood Chips. Indicated below is an inquiry from a vendor regarding the bid and the District's response. The addendum is posted for the benefit of all participating parties.

Some questions may be duplicates; therefore, only appropriate responses will be posted here. Any content referring to Vendors/Manufacturers has been removed to ensure confidentiality.

#### **Vendor Question:**

- 1. If a bidder is signatory with Operating Engineers (IUOE) Local 150, does CCSD 15 require the contractor to comply with the their collective bargaining agreement?**

Winning Bidder must comply with Illinois Prevailing Wage Act requirements at a minimum (GENERAL CONDITIONS 42).

- 2. Will CCSD 15 consider bidder diversity or locality in its decision making process or is CCSD 15 bound to accept the lowest responsible bid?**

See INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS - Award of Contract

- 3. Are there any time restrictions with the installation or can installation be performed at any time during the annual contract period from July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027?**

Page 16, item 7 states "all work shall be scheduled to be completed within one and one-half months prior to the week before the District school starting date. "Example" should read: July 1st, 2026 through August 8th, 2026 (not 2027).

- 4. Page 16 number 7 states: "All work shall be scheduled to be completed within one and one-half months prior to the week before the District school starting date. Example: July 1st, 2026 through April 8th, 2027. Starting dates may vary from year to year. Exact dates and times are to be coordinated with the Facilities and Operations Department and its**

**Designee.” Can you please clarify the dates outlined in the example as April 8th is beyond the 1 and ½ months prior to school starting?**

April 8th, 2027 should read August 8th, 2026 as the example.

- Can you please provide an example with values for how a bidder should complete the pricing table on page 17 and 18?**

Example:

Year One: 2023-2024			
Type	Quantity	Cost Per Unit	Extended Cost
A. Playground Wood Chips	3,200 cubic yards	\$ 11.88 /cu yds.	\$ 38,016.00
B. Labor/Equipment (Base)	Blown-In Mulch at Playgrounds (60 cu yds. Based on delivery)	\$ 13.00 /cu yds.	\$ 41,600.00
C. Labor/Equipment (Alternate)	Wheelbarrowed Mulch at Playgrounds (30 cu yds. Based on delivery)	\$ N/A /cu yds.	\$ N/A
Total Year One Base Cost (A+B): 2023-2024			\$ 79,616.00
Total Year One Alternate Cost (A+C): 2023-2024			\$ N/A

Year Two: 2024-2025			
Type	Quantity	Cost Per Unit	Extended Cost
A. Playground Wood Chips	3,200 cubic yards	\$ 11.88 /cu yds.	\$ 38,016.00
B. Labor/Equipment (Base)	Blown-In Mulch at Playgrounds (60 cu yds. Based on delivery)	\$ 13.00 /cu yds.	\$ 41,600.00
C. Labor/Equipment (Alternate)	Wheelbarrowed Mulch at Playgrounds (60 cu yds. Based on delivery)	\$ N/A /cu yds.	\$ N/A
Total Year Two Base Cost (A+B): 2024-2025			\$ 79,616.00
Total Year Two Alternate Cost (A+C): 2024-2025			\$ N/A

Year Three: 2025-2026			
Type	Quantity	Cost Per Unit	Extended Cost
A. Playground Wood Chips	3,200 cubic yards	\$ 11.88 /cu yds.	\$ 38,016.00
B. Labor/Equipment (Base)	Blown-In Mulch at Playgrounds (60 cu yds. Based on delivery)	\$ 13.00 /cu yds.	\$ 41,600.00
C. Labor/Equipment (Alternate)	Wheelbarrowed Mulch at Playgrounds (60 cu yds. Based on delivery)	\$ N/A /cu yds.	\$ N/A
Total Year Three Base Cost (A+B): 2025-2026			\$ 79,616.00
Total Year Three Alternate Cost (A+C): 2025-2026			\$ N/A

- 6. Should the bidder enter the cost for a single cubic yard of playground wood chips, the cost to blow-in a single yard of playground chips, and the cost to wheelbarrow a single yard of mulch under cost per cubic yard?**

Bidders should enter as much information into the categories as possible. Items not accomplishable or not priced can be labeled as N/A.

- 7. Should the bidder enter the cost for a single cubic yard multiplied by 3,200 cubic yards for the extended cost of line A playground wood chips?**

Yes

- 8. Should the bidder enter the cost for a single cubic yard blown in mulch multiplied by 60 for the extended cost of line B blown-in mulch?**

Bidder is to enter the cost of Labor/Equipment to blow in one cubic yard (Entered into "Cost Per Cubic Yards" column) then multiply cubic yard cost by labor/equipment cost for 3,200 or enter N/A if service is not provided into the "Extended Cost" column.

- 9. Should the bidder enter the cost for a single cubic yard wheelbarrowed mulch multiplied by 3,200 for the extended cost of line C wheelbarrowed mulch?**

Bidder is to enter cost of Labor/Equipment to wheelbarrow mulch into the playground spaces per cubic yard into the "Cost Per Cubic Yards" column then multiply by 3,200 or enter N/A if service is not provided into the "Extended Cost" column.

- 10. For total year one base cost (A+B): 2027-2028 and total year one base cost (A+C): 2027-2028 should the bidder sum the extended cost column and enter the total amount?**

All columns shall be entered by the bidder or risk being rejected per conformity within Award of Contract stipulations.

- 11. Can you use an 18 wheeler tractor and trailer to deliver the mulch to a school location's asphalt parking lot for staging or onsite loading? Page 17 states "the largest vehicle that can be accommodated is a 6-wheeler truck."**

Any truck size larger than a 6-wheeler truck may be used but only at the sole discretion of the District and must be coordinated and approved by the District Designee. Each property has different circumstances and must be treated accordingly.

**12. Can you use an 18 wheeler tractor and trailer blower truck to drive onto school location’s asphalt parking lots to install the mulch? Page 17 states “the largest vehicle that can be accommodated is a 6-wheeler truck.”**

Any truck size larger than a 6-wheeler truck may be used but only at the sole discretion of the District and must be coordinated and approved by the District Designee. Each property has different circumstances and must be treated accordingly.

It is the vendor’s responsibility to check the [CCSD15 Bids and RFPs page, www.ccsd15.net/bids](http://www.ccsd15.net/bids), to see if any additional addenda are issued regarding this Bid. Addenda may be issued up until 24 hours prior to the Bid due date on Tuesday, May 12, 2026, at 11:30 a.m. CDT.

**Please sign Addendum #4 and include it with your Bid.**

Acknowledgement by:

Category	Company Info
Company	
Signature	
Printed Name	
Date	