

**LAKEWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION
LAKEWOOD, NEW JERSEY 08701**

GOODS AND SERVICES

**Bid Specifications
&
General Requirements**

**LEXIA CORE5 READING PROGRAM
PROPRIETARY BID**

Bid No. 01-2425

Wednesday, February 14, 2024

Bid Opening Date

10:00 a.m.

Bid Opening Time

Kevin Campbell

Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

LAKEWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION
LAKEWOOD, NEW JERSEY 08701

REQUEST FOR BIDS

Bid Advertisement

The LAKEWOOD Board of Education hereby advertises for competitive bid pricing in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-21(a) (b).

Bid No. 01-2425

All necessary bid specifications and bid forms may be secured upon written request to:

Kevin Campbell
Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary
LAKEWOOD Board of Education
200 Ramsey Ave.
LAKEWOOD, New Jersey 08701
Email: dpiasentini@lakewoodpiners.org

Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope and delivered to the Office of the Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary of LAKEWOOD Board of Education **on or before** the date and time indicated below. The envelope is to bear the following information:

Title: **LEXIA CORE5 READING PROGRAM/PROPRIETARY**
Bid Number **01-2425**
Name and Address of the Bidder
Bid Opening Date **Wednesday, February 14, 2024**
Bid Opening Time: **10:00 a.m.**

The bid envelope must be addressed to

LAKEWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION
Attn: Purchasing Manager
200 Ramsey Ave.
LAKEWOOD, New Jersey 08701

Location of Bid Opening

LAKEWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION
200 Ramsey Ave.
LAKEWOOD, New Jersey 08701

The bid opening process will begin on the advertised date and time at the LAKEWOOD Board of Education, 200 Ramsey Ave., LAKEWOOD, New Jersey 08701. Bids may also be submitted to the

Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary or their designee at the bid opening meeting, prior to the advertised date and time. On the advertised date and time, the Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary shall publicly receive and open all bids.

No bids shall be received after the time designated in the advertisement. (N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-21(b)).

At this time the Board of Education does not accept electronic (e-mail) submissions of bids.

“Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27 et seq.”

Each bid shall be accompanied by a bid bond, cashier’s check, or certified check made payable to the LAKEWOOD Board of Education, for ten percent (10%) of the amount of the total bid, however, not to exceed \$20,000.

Statement of Ownership Requirement: Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2, Bidders shall submit a statement setting forth the names and addresses of all persons and entities that own ten percent or more of its stock or interest of any type at all levels of ownership.

A Non-Collusion Affidavit and a Contractor Questionnaire/Certification also must be submitted with the bid. The bid package will also include other documents that must be completed and returned with the bid. Failure to comply with Instructions to Bidders and to complete and submit all required forms may be cause for disqualification and rejection of the bid.

The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any non-responsive bids or all bids, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-22, and to waive minor informalities or non-material exceptions, that may be in the best interest of the Board.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: PROCURING GOODS AND SERVICES FINANCED WITH FEDERAL FUNDS

The Lakewood Board of Education hereby provides public notice that Federal funds will be used to procure the goods/services as outlined in the bid specifications. The percentage of the cost of the goods/services is outlined below:

Federal Program
ESSER III

Percentage of the Total Cost of Bid
One Hundred Percent (100%)

The dollar amount of Federal Funds to be used for this contract is estimated to be

\$166,490.00

CERTIFICATIONS SECTION; FEDERAL CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

As a requirement for submission of the proposal, all respondents are to read the Certifications Section for Federal Contract Requirements, found at the end of the bid package. Bidders shall be responsible for the completion, execution and submission of all required certification documents.

Kevin Campbell

Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

ETHICS IN PURCHASING

Statement to Vendors

BOARD OF EDUCATION RESPONSIBILITY

Recommendation of Purchases

The Board of Education desires to have all Board employees and officials practice exemplary ethical behavior in the procurement of goods, materials, supplies, and services.

School officials and employees who recommend purchases shall not extend any favoritism to any vendor. Each recommended purchase should be based upon the quality of the items, service, price, delivery, and other applicable factors in full compliance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et seq.

Solicitation/Receipt of Gifts – Prohibited

School officials and employees are prohibited from soliciting and receiving funds, gifts, materials, goods, services, favors, and any other items of value from vendors doing business with the Board of Education or anyone proposing to do business with the Board.

VENDOR RESPONSIBILITY

Offer of Gifts, Gratuities -- Prohibited

Any vendor doing business or proposing to do business with the Board of Education, shall neither pay, offer to pay, either directly or indirectly, any fee, commission, or compensation, nor offer any gift, gratuity, or other things of value of any kind to any official or employee of the Board or any member of the official's or employee's immediate family.

Vendor Influence -- Prohibited

No vendor shall cause to influence or attempt to cause to influence, any official or employee of the Board, in any manner which might tend to impair the objectivity or independence of judgment of said official or employee.

VENDOR CERTIFICATION

Vendors or potential vendors will be asked to certify that no official or employee of the Board of Education or immediate family members are directly or indirectly interested in this request or have any interest in any portions of profits thereof. The vendor participating in this request must be an independent vendor and not an official or employee of the Board of Education.

LAKEWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION
ADVISORY INFORMATION FOR BIDDERS

PROMPTNESS OF BID SUBMITTAL

It is the responsibility of the bidder to ensure that their bid is presented in a sealed envelope to the Office of the Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, prior to the advertised bid date and time. The advertised bid date and time for this bid is on **Wednesday, February 14, 2024 @ 10:00 a.m.** No bids shall be received after the time designated in the bid advertisement. No extensions or exceptions will be made. The Business Office is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 am – 4:00 pm according to the school calendar and 8:00 am – 3:00 pm during the summer. Access to the Business Office may be delayed because of security clearance. Bidders may also submit bids to the Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary at the bid opening meeting held in the Board of Education Meeting Room, prior to the advertised bid opening date and time. Once again, bids will not be received after the time designated in the advertisement.

PARKING

Parking in the vicinity of the Board of Education Administration Building is at a premium. ***Allow enough time to locate a parking space.***

Heavy traffic hours by the Board Offices on school days are from **7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.**, and between **1:40 p.m. and 3:10 p.m.** Be aware of parking signs as you may receive a parking ticket or have your vehicle towed.

MAIL

Mail is brought to the Board Offices in mailbags, at approximately **10:00 a.m.** each day. The mail is then sorted within the district system, by departments. The Business Office routinely receives its mail at approximately **11:30 a.m.**

UPS / FED EX / AND OTHER EXPRESS DELIVERY SERVICES

Deliveries of this type usually begin at 10:00 a.m. These items are brought only to the receptionist at the administration building entrance. The Security Specialist then calls the various departments with a request to pick up their items. There may be some delay in getting bids to the Business Office

HAND DELIVER BIDS – SUGGESTED PRACTICE

Keeping the aforementioned items in mind, the Board suggests that bidders arrange to hand-deliver their bid to the Office of the Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, before the advertised date and time. Please understand that bids arriving after the advertised bid date and time for any reason, cannot be accepted, opened, or considered.

Submission of Bids—Hand Deliver—Day of the Bid Opening

The district will accept hand-delivered bid packages at the Board of Education Administrative Offices, 200 Ramsey Ave., Lakewood, NJ. A **Security Specialist** is posted at the reception area from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00

p.m. Monday thru Friday and will accept any Bid Packages hand delivered. Respondents using this option are to submit bids, prior to the advertised date and time, to insure the Bid Package is received by the Assistant Business Administrator in a timely manner. No Bids will be accepted after the scheduled time of the Bid opening. There will be no personal contact with district officials during the hand delivering of bids.

LAKESIDE BOARD OF EDUCATION

BID DOCUMENT CHECKLIST

A. Documents to be Returned with Bid

1. Acknowledgement of Addenda
2. Affirmative Action Questionnaire or Certificate of Employee Information Report stapled to Questionnaire
3. Assurance of Compliance Statement
4. Bid Guarantee (Bid Bond, Cashier's Check, or Certified Check) *(Only if Required)*
5. Bid Proposal Form
6. Chapter 271 Political Contribution Disclosure Form
7. Contractor/Vendor Questionnaire / Certification
8. Non-Collusion Affidavit
9. Statement of Ownership

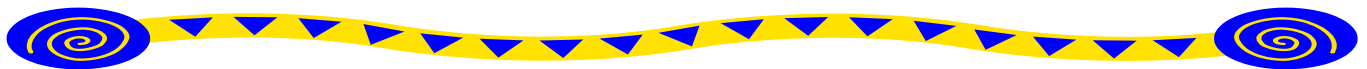
The documents listed above when required, are to be submitted with the bid package. Failure to submit them may be cause for disqualification for being non-responsive pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-2(y).

B. Reminder Checklist

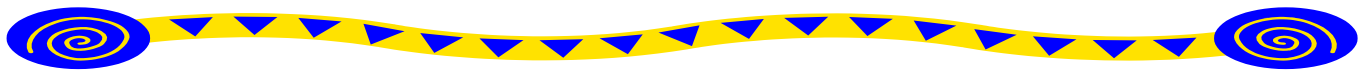
As a courtesy, the Office of the Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary has prepared this reminder checklist for items pertaining to this bid. The checklist is not considered to be all-inclusive. Bidders are to read and become familiar with all instructions outlined in the bid package.

Item	Yes	No
1. Have you verified your pricing to ensure accuracy?		
2. Have you answered questions fully and accurately?		
3. Have you signed all your documents (blue ink)? Facsimile, rubber-stamped, electronic or digital signatures are not acceptable.		
4. Have you prepared all documents for submission?		
5. Did you make a copy of the bid package for your records?		
6. Did you submit a Bid Guarantee? Consent of Surety? (Only if required)		
7. Did you correctly address the envelope?		
8. Have you allowed ample time for the bid to reach the Business Office?		

LAKEWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION



GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS



Kevin Campbell
Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

LAKEWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION

LEXIA CORE5 READING PROGRAM

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

BIDS ARE TO BE SUBMITTED TO: **Diane Piasentini QPA**
Purchasing Manager
LAKEWOOD Board of Education
200 Ramsey Ave.
LAKEWOOD, New Jersey 08701

BY: 10:00 a.m. PREVAILING TIME ON: **Wednesday, February 14, 2024**

Bids may be submitted by mail, delivery service, or in person. Bids are to be submitted in a sealed envelope and the envelopes will be unsealed and the contents announced at the bid opening meeting.

Bids must be placed in a sealed envelope/package, clearly marked with the THERAPY SUPPLIES on the front of the envelope/package.

Title: **LEXIA CORE5 READING PROGRAM**
Bid Number: **01-2425**
Name and Address of the Bidder
Bid Opening Date: **Wednesday, February 14, 2024**
Bid Opening Time: **10:00 a.m.**

Failure to properly label the bid envelope may lead to the rejection of the bid.

BID OPENING MEETING

All bids will be publicly received and unsealed by the Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary or designee in the Lakewood Board of Education, 200 Ramsey Ave., LAKEWOOD, New Jersey 08701, and read beginning at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, February 14, 2024. Bidders and/or their authorized agents, and the general public are invited to be present at the bid opening. It is the responsibility of each bidder to ensure that their bid is complete and presented to the Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary prior to the advertised bid date and time. No bids shall be received or accepted by the Board of Education after the advertised bid date and time. (N.J.S.A. 18A:18A:21(b))

1. AFFIRMATIVE ACTION REQUIREMENTS

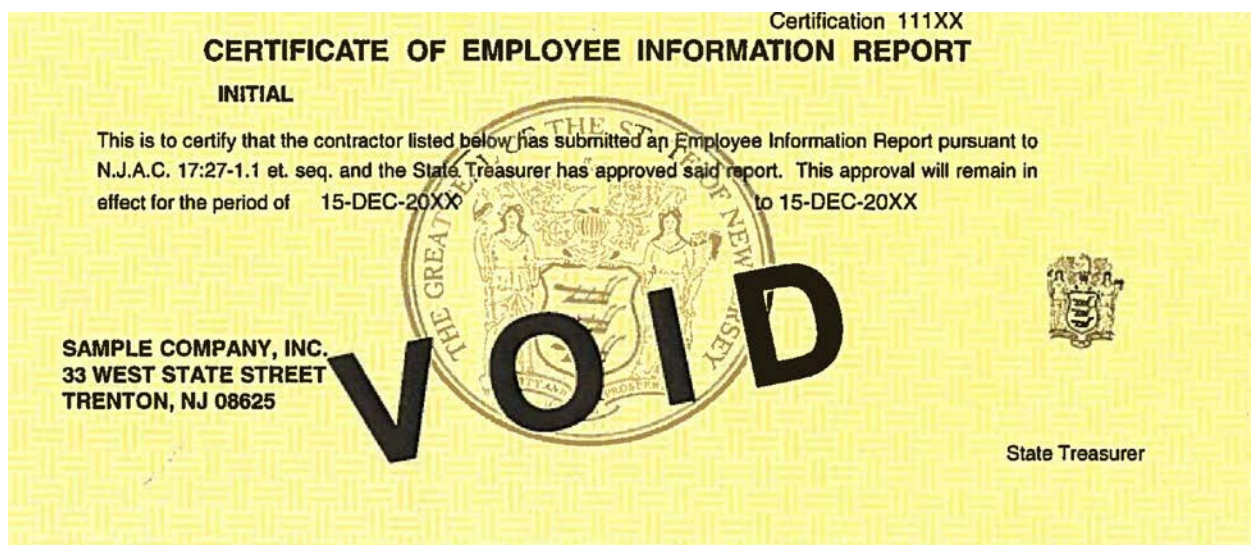
Each company shall submit to the Board of Education, after notification of award, but prior to execution of a goods and services contract, **one** of the following three documents:

- Letter of Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval;
- Certificate of Employee Information Report; or
- The successful bidder (respondent) shall complete an Employee Information Report, Form AA-302, and submit it to the Division of Purchase and Property Contract Compliance and Audit Unit with a check or money order for \$150.00 made payable to the Treasurer, State of NJ and forward a **copy** of the form and check/money order to the Board. Upon submission and review by the Division, the Report shall constitute evidence of compliance with the regulations.

Please note: A completed and signed Affirmative Action Questionnaire is requested with the submission of bid/proposal. However, the Board will accept in place of the Questionnaire, Affirmative Action Evidence in the form of a current Certificate of Employee Information Report submitted with the bid/proposal.

If awarded a contract your company/firm will be required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27 et seq., and the terms and conditions of the Mandatory Equal Employment Opportunity Language—Exhibit A.

Sample Certificate of Employee Information Report



All respondents are urged to submit with their response, a copy of their firm's Certificate of Employee Information Report. Failure to submit the Certificate of Employee Information Report or other Affirmative Action evidence prior to the award of the contract will result in the rejection of the bid/proposal.

2. ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCESS

All disputes relating to the performance of the contract shall be submitted first to non-binding mediation by a single mediator. The mediation shall be held at the Board of Education offices before a single mediator who is mutually acceptable to the parties. The parties shall share the mediator's fees equally. If the dispute is submitted for mediation, the neutral party must demonstrate knowledge of the Public School Contracts Law. The arbitration of claims is expressly excluded under this contract. These

alternative dispute resolution practices required by this section shall not apply to disputes concerning the bid solicitation process or the formation of contracts. Nothing shall prevent either party from seeking injunctive or declaratory relief in court at any time.

3. AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

The contractor must comply with all provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), P.L 101-336, in accordance with 42 U.S.C. S121 01 et seq.

4. AMERICAN GOODS (N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-20)

The District intends to purchase, wherever available, and practical, goods and materials manufactured in the United States

5. ANTI-BULLYING BILL OF RIGHTS—REPORTING OF HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION, AND BULLYING— CONTRACTED SERVICE

The contracted service provider shall comply with all applicable provisions of the New Jersey Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act—N.J.S.A. 18A:37-13.1 et seq., all applicable codes and regulations, and the Anti-Bullying Policy of the Board of Education. The district shall provide the contracted service provider with a copy of the board’s Anti-Bullying Policy.

In accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:16-7.7 (c), a contracted service provider, who has witnessed, or has reliable information that a student has been subject to harassment, intimidation, or bullying shall immediately report the incident to any school administrator or safe schools resource officer, or the Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

6. ANTI-DISCRIMINATION PROVISIONS—N.J.S.A. 10:2-1

N.J.S.A. 10:2-1. Anti-discrimination provisions. Every contract for or on behalf of the State or any county or municipality or other political subdivision of the State, or any agency of or authority created by any of the foregoing, for the construction, alteration, or repair of any public building or public work or the acquisition of materials, equipment, supplies or services shall contain provisions by which the contractor agrees that:

a. In the hiring of persons for the performance of work under this contract or any subcontract hereunder, or for the procurement, manufacture, assembling, or furnishing of any such materials, equipment, supplies or services to be acquired under this contract, no contractor, nor any person acting on behalf of such contractor or subcontractor, shall, by reason of race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, gender identity or expression, affectional or sexual orientation or sex, discriminate against any person who is qualified and available to perform the work to which the employment relates;

b. No contractor, subcontractor, nor any person on his behalf shall, in any manner, discriminate against or intimidate any employee engaged in the performance of work under this contract or any subcontract hereunder, or engaged in the procurement, manufacture, assembling or furnishing of any such materials, equipment, supplies or services to be acquired under such contract, on account of race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, gender identity or expression, affectional or sexual orientation or sex;

c. There may be deducted from the amount payable to the contractor by the contracting public agency, under this contract, a penalty of \$50.00 for each person for each calendar day during which such person is discriminated against or intimidated in violation of the provisions of the contract; and

d. This contract may be canceled or terminated by the contracting public agency, and all money due or to become due hereunder may be forfeited, for any violation of this section of the contract occurring after notice to the contractor from the contracting public agency of any prior violation of this section of the contract.

No provision in this section shall be construed to prevent a board of education from designating that a contract, subcontract or other means of procurement of goods, services, equipment or construction shall be awarded to a small business enterprise, minority business enterprise or a women's business enterprise pursuant to P.L.[1985, c.490](#) (C.18A:18A-51 et seq.).

7. BID GUARANTEE AND BONDING REQUIREMENTS (N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-24)

Please note, The name, address, and phone number of the Bond Underwriter as well as the Bond Number shall be included with all bonds submitted to the Board of Education.

A. Bid Guarantee ☒ REQUIRED ☐ NOT REQUIRED

When required, each bid shall be accompanied by a bid bond, cashier, or certified check for ten percent (10%) of the amount of the total contract, but not in excess of \$20,000. This guarantee shall be made payable to the LAKEWOOD Board of Education. Such deposit shall be forfeited upon refusal of a bidder to execute a contract; otherwise, checks shall be returned when the contract is executed and the performance bond (if required) is filed with the Board of Education. The bid number assigned to this bid shall be included on the bid bond, cashier, or certified check. The bid security check for unsuccessful bidders, if requested, will be returned as soon after the bid opening as possible but in no event later than (10) days after the bid opening.

Please note: Uncertified business checks, personal checks, or money orders are not acceptable.

All bid bonds submitted must be signed and witnessed with original signatures. Facsimile, rubber-stamped, electronic or digital signatures are not acceptable. Failure to sign the bid bond by either the Surety or Principal shall be deemed cause for disqualification of the bid. The Attorney-in-Fact who executes the bond on behalf of the surety shall affix to the bond a certified and current copy of the Power of Attorney. The name, address, and phone number of the Bond Underwriter as well as the Bond Number shall be included with all bonds submitted to the Board. The bid guarantee shall include the bid number or solicitation number assigned by the board of education.

The Board of Education will only accept bid bonds from companies that are licensed and qualified to do business in the State of New Jersey. A list (Approved Surety Companies) may be available upon request to the State of New Jersey, Department of Banking and Insurance, P.O. Box 325, Trenton, New Jersey 08625.

The bid number assigned to this bid shall be included on the bid bond, cashier, or certified check. The board *will not* accept a bid with multiple bid numbers listed on the bid bond.

Failure to submit or sign a bid guarantee by either the Surety or Principal, and/or failure to submit the properly executed bid bond with the bid package shall be deemed cause for disqualification and rejection of the bid.

B. Certificate (Consent) of Surety ☐ REQUIRED ☒ NOT REQUIRED

When required, each bidder shall submit with its bid, a certificate from a surety company stating that the surety company will provide the contractor with a performance bond in an amount equal to the amount of the contract (N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-25). Such a surety company must be licensed and qualified to do business in the State of New Jersey. The certificate (consent) of Surety, together with a power of attorney, must be submitted with the bid.

Failure to submit or sign the Certificate (Consent) of Surety by either the Surety or Principal, and/or failure to submit the properly executed Certificate (Consent) of Surety with the bid package shall be deemed cause for disqualification and rejection of the bid.

C. Performance Bond

☐ REQUIRED

☒ NOT REQUIRED

When required, the successful bidder shall furnish a Performance, Payment, and Completion Bond in a sum of at least one hundred percent (100%) of the total amount payable by the terms of this Contract. Such written guarantee shall be made payable to the LAKEWOOD Board of Education and shall be in the form required by Statute.

Such bond shall further carry a stipulation that no advance, premature, excessive, or delayed payments by the Board shall in any way affect the obligation of the Surety on its bond.

Such bond shall further stipulate that no payments made to the Contractor, nor partial or entire use of occupancy of the work by the Board shall be an acceptance of any work or materials not in accordance with this Contract and the Surety shall be equally bound to the same extent as the Contractor.

It is expressly stipulated that the Surety for the Contractor on the project shall be obligated to make periodic inquiries of the Board at reasonable times, to determine whether its Principal has performed or was performing the Contract in accordance with all of its terms and conditions, particularly in relation to the progress payments scheduled under said Contract with the Board.

In the event the Contractor defaults or fails to perform or finish the work prescribed under the Contract for any reason whatsoever, it shall become the unqualified obligation of the Surety for the defaulting contractor to complete the Contract in accordance with its terms following receipt of notice from the owner of such default.

The Contractor shall execute a formal contract with the Board in the form required and in such number of counterparts as the Board may request. Such Performance, Payment, and Completion Bond shall be furnished and such Contracts shall be executed and delivered by the contractor within ten (10) days after the receipt by the contractor of notice accepting their bid by the Board.

The Board of Education will only accept performance bonds from surety companies that are licensed and qualified to do business in the State of New Jersey.

8. BID PRICE GUARANTEE – Ninety (90) Days from Award of Contract

When the Board of Education requests bid prices for supplies, materials, or equipment, the contractor(s) shall agree to guarantee the bid price(s) for a period of ninety (90) days from the date of the award of the contract. The contractor (s) may extend the bid price guarantee through written permission to the Board of Education.

9. BID PRICES

In the event of a discrepancy between the unit price and the extension, the unit price will govern. The Board assumes no responsibility to recalculate totals if the award is made based on totals.

10. BID PROPOSAL FORM

All bids are to be written in typewriter or ink in a legible manner on the official Bid Proposal Form. Any bid price showing any erasure or alteration must be initialed by the bidder in ink, at the right margin next to the altered entry. Failure to initial any erasure or alteration may be cause to disqualify that particular bid entry. If the disqualified entry is a required one, the entire bid may be subject to rejection. Bidders are urged to fill out and complete all entries with care.

The Bid Proposal Form must be duly signed by the authorized representative of the company in the appropriate space, at the end of the Bid Proposal Form. ***Failure to sign the Bid Proposal Form may be cause to disqualify the entire bid.*** If the Bid Proposal Form contains more than one sheet, then bidders are requested to affix the company name and address on each intervening sheet between the front sheet and the signature sheet which already bears the company information.

The Board of Education will not consider any bid on which there is any alteration to, or departure from, the bid specifications. Bidders are not to make any changes to the Bid Proposal Form or qualify their bid with conditions differing from those defined in the bid specification documents. If bidders do make changes to the Bid Proposal Form, except as noted above for initialed clerical mistakes, it shall be cause to disqualify that particular bid as non-responsive N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-2(y).

Bidders are to submit one bid price per item. The Board will not accept multiple bids on an individual basis, nor will the Board accept a “bottom line” or “all or none” bid subject to the bidder receiving the entire contract.

11. BIDDER’S RESPONSIBILITY FOR BID SUBMITTAL

It is the responsibility of the bidder to ensure that their bid is presented to the Office of the Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary and officially received before the advertised date and time of the bid. It is understood and agreed upon that any person in the Board of Education will be absolved from responsibility for the premature opening of any bid envelope not properly labeled and sealed.

12. BRAND NAME OR EQUIVALENT

Whenever the Board of Education requests a brand name for a particular item, it will consider a “brand name or equivalent”. If the bidder desires to bid on an equivalent item the bidder shall do the following:

- a. On the Bid Proposal Form, write in ink next to the item requested, the bidder’s substitute item, including brand name, model number, and full description of the item. This is the only change to the Bid Proposal Form the Board will accept.
- b. Provide a sample of the substitute item if requested. The sample item must be provided before or at the time of the bid opening. The sample item shall be a paper, brochure, or illustrative literature outlining the brand/manufacturer name, model number, and full description of the item.
- c. If a sample is not required the Board requests a brochure, pamphlet, or illustrative literature that outlines the specifications of the item including the manufacturer’s name, model number, etc.

d. Failure to provide a sample item or literature about substitute bids when requested may be cause for disqualification of that item from the bid.

e. It is the responsibility of the bidder to demonstrate the equivalency of the items offered.

Please note: Bidders are to only bid brand name or equivalent. The Board will not accept multiple bids on individual items.

13. BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE (N.J.S.A. 52:32-44)

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-44, the Board of Education is prohibited from entering into a contract with an entity unless the bidder/proposer/contractor and each subcontractor that is required by law to be named in a bid/proposal/contract have a valid Business Registration Certificate on file with the Division of Revenue and Enterprise Services within the Department of the Treasury.

Request of the Board of Education

All bidders or companies responding to requested proposals are requested to submit with their response package a copy of their "New Jersey Business Registration Certificate" as issued by the Department of Treasury of the State of New Jersey. **The Board reminds all respondents that failure to submit the New Jersey Business Registration Certificate prior to the award of the contract will result in the rejection of the proposal.**

Subcontractors

Prior to contract award or authorization, the contractor shall provide the Board with its proof of business registration and that of any named subcontractor(s).

Subcontractors named in a bid or other proposal shall provide proof of business registration to the bidder, who in turn, shall provide it to the Contracting Agency prior to the time a contract, purchase order, or other contracting document is awarded or authorized.

During the course of contract performance:

(1) The contractor shall not enter into a contract with a subcontractor unless the subcontractor first provides the contractor with a valid proof of business registration.

(2) The contractor shall maintain and submit to the Contracting Agency a list of subcontractors and their addresses that may be updated from time to time.

(3) The contractor and any subcontractor providing goods or performing services under the contract, and each of their affiliates, shall collect and remit to the Director of the Division of Taxation in the Department of the Treasury, the use tax due pursuant to the Sales and Use Tax Act, (N.J.S.A. 54:32B-1 et seq.) on all sales of tangible personal property delivered into the State. Any questions in this regard can be directed to the Division of Taxation at (609)292-6400. Form NJ-REG can be filed online at <http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue/busregcert.shtml>.

Before final payment is made under the contract, the contractor shall submit to the Contracting Agency a complete and accurate list of all subcontractors used and their addresses.

N.J.S.A. 54:49-4.1: Violations of Registration Requirements; Penalties.

A business organization that fails to provide a copy of a business registration as required pursuant to section 1 of P.L.[2001, c.134](#) (C.52:32-44 et al.) or subsection e. or f. of section 92 of P.L.[1977, c.110](#) (C.5:12-92), or that provides false information of business registration under the requirements of either of those sections, shall be liable for a penalty of \$25 for each day of violation, not to exceed \$50,000 for each business registration copy not properly provided under a contract with a contracting agency or under a casino service industry enterprise contract.

Sample Business Registration Certificates

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE
FOR STATE AGENCY AND CASINO SERVICE CONTRACTOR

TAXPAYER NAME: TAX REGISTRATION TEST ACCOUNT
TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION#: 970-097-382/500
ADDRESS: 847 ROEBLING AVE
TRENTON NJ 08611
EFFECTIVE DATE: 01/01/01
FORM BRC(08-01)

TRADE NAME: CLIENT REGISTRATION
SEQUENCE NUMBER: 0107330
ISSUANCE DATE: 07/14/04

DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY
DIVISION OF REVENUE
PO BOX 252
TRENTON, NJ 08646-0252

John S. Trully
Acting Director

This Certificate is NOT assignable or transferable. It must be conspicuously displayed at above address.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE

Taxpayer Name: TAX REG TEST ACCOUNT
Trade Name:
Address: 847 ROEBLING AVE
TRENTON, NJ 08611
Certificate Number: 1093907
Date of Issuance: October 14, 2004

For Office Use Only:
20041014112823533

14. CHALLENGES TO BID SPECIFICATIONS (N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-15)

Any prospective bidder who wishes to challenge a bid specification shall file the challenge in writing with the Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary no less than three (3) business days prior to the opening of bids. Challenges filed after that time shall be considered void and have no impact on the Board of Education or the award of a contract.

15. COMPLIANCE WITH ALL LAWS -- *Where applicable*

Special attention is called to requirements for Public Liability and Property Damage Insurance, Workmen's Compensation Insurance, Social Security Act, Labor, Employment, Unemployment, Wages, Hours, Discrimination in Employment and Assignment of Contract.

The provisions of the New Jersey School Law shall bind all parties and interests to the Contract. The contractor shall comply with all Federal and State Laws, and all rules and regulations of health, public or other authorities controlling or limiting the methods, materials to be used or actions of those employed in work of this kind.

Any labor or material in addition to that described in the specifications and which is necessary to comply with these laws, rules, ordinances or regulations shall be provided by the Contractor.

The contractor shall keep himself informed of all existing and future State and Federal Laws in any manner affecting those engaged or employed in the work, and shall protect and indemnify the Owner, its officers, members and agents against any claim or liability arising from or based on the violation of any such law, ordinance, regulation order or defects.

16. CONTRACTOR/VENDOR REQUIREMENTS—ACCESS AND MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS

Contractors/vendors doing business with the board of education are reminded of the following legal requirements pertaining to the Office of the New Jersey State Comptroller:

- Access to Relevant Documents and Information—N.J.S.A. 52:15C-14 (d)

Private vendors or other persons contracting with or receiving funds from a unit in the Executive branch of State government, including an entity exercising executive branch authority, independent State authority, public institution of higher education, or unit of local government or board of education shall upon request by the State Comptroller provide the State Comptroller with prompt access to all relevant documents and information as a condition of the contract and receipt of public monies. The State Comptroller shall not disclose any document or information to which access is provided that is confidential or proprietary. If the State Comptroller finds that any person receiving funds from a unit in the Executive branch of State government, including an entity exercising executive branch authority, independent State authority, public institution of higher education, or unit of local government or board of education refuses to provide information upon the request of the State Comptroller, or otherwise impedes or fails to cooperate with any audit or performance review, the State Comptroller may recommend to the contracting unit that the person be subject to termination of their contract, or temporarily or permanently debarred from contracting with the contracting unit.

- Maintenance of Contract Records—N.J.A.C. 17:44-2.2

Relevant records of private vendors or other persons entering into contracts with covered entities are subject to audit or review by OSC pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:15C-14(d).

The contractor/vendor to whom a contract has been awarded shall maintain all documentation related to products, transactions or services under this contract for a period of five years from the date of final payment. Such records shall be made available to the New Jersey Office of the State Comptroller upon request.

- Board of Education Requirement

In addition to, and independent of, the requirements of N.J.S.A. 52:15C-14 (d) and N.J.A.C. 17:44-2.2, the Contractor shall also maintain and make any or all books and records related to products transactions or services rendered under this contract, available to the Board of Education upon request.

17. CONTRACTS

- Award of Contract, Rejection of Bid(s)

The contract shall be awarded, if at all, to the lowest responsible bidder as determined by the Board of Education. The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any non-responsive bids or all bids, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-22, and to waive minor informalities or non-material exceptions, that may be in the best interest of the Board. The Board may at its option accept the lowest bid on each item and split awards among the various bidders who submit the lowest responsible bids. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-36 the Board of Education shall award the contract or reject all bids within sixty (60) days, noting the exception highlighted in the law.

- Equal Prices

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-37(d) when two or more bidders submit equal prices and the prices are the lowest responsible bids, the Board may award the contract to the vendor whose response, at the discretion of the Board, is the most advantageous, price and other factors considered.

- Return of Contracts and Related Contract Documents--*When required*

Upon notification of the award of the contract by the Board of Education, the contractor shall sign and execute a formal contract agreement between the Board of Education and the contractor, *when required*.

- Purchase Order—considered to be a contract. N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-2 (n)

If a formal contract is not required by the Board of Education, an approved and signed Board of Education Purchase Order will constitute a contractual agreement. When a formal contract is required, the contractor shall sign and execute said contracts and return the contracts with other required documents to the Office of the Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary. Failure to execute the contract and return said contract and related documents within the prescribed time may be cause for a delay in payment for services rendered or products received or the annulment of the award by the Board of Education with the bid security becoming the property of the Board of Education. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept the bid of the next lowest responsible bidder, in such a case.

- Renewal of Contract; Services

The Board of Education may, at its discretion, request that a contract for services be renewed in full accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-42. The Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary may negotiate terms for a renewal of the contract proposal and present such negotiated proposal to the Board of Education. All multi-year contracts and renewals are subject to the availability and appropriation annually of sufficient funds as may be needed to meet the extended obligation. The Board of Education is the final authority in awarding renewals of contracts.

- Term of Contract

The contractor, to whom the contract is awarded, will be required to do and perform the work/services and to provide and furnish the materials in connection therewith in accordance with the plans and specifications on or before the date listed in the Technical Specifications.

- Purchase Order Required; Notice to Proceed

No contractor or vendor shall proceed with any project, provide any service, or deliver any goods until he is in receipt of an approved purchase order authorizing work to begin or goods to be delivered.

18. DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, OR DISQUALIFICATION

The Board of Education will not enter into a contract for work with any person, company, or firm that is on the State Department of Labor and Workforce Development; Prevailing Wage Debarment List, or the State of New Jersey Consolidated Debarment Report (www.state.nj.us/treasury/debarred). Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-44.1 (a), any person that is debarred at the federal level from contracting with a federal government agency shall be debarred from contracting for any public work in this State.

All bidders are required to certify on the Contractor/Vendor Questionnaire and Certification form, indicating whether the entity listed on the bid proposal form or any person employed by this entity, nor the person's affiliates are not debarred from contracting with a Federal government agency, nor

debarred from contracting with the State of New Jersey. The Board of Education will verify the certification by consulting

- New Jersey Department of Treasury – Consolidated Debarment Report
- NJ Department of Labor and Workforce Development– Prevailing Wage Debarment List
- Federal Debarred Vendor List—System for Award Management (SAM.gov)

19. DELETION OF BIDDERS FROM THE BIDDERS' LIST

The Board of Education will delete the name of vendors from the Board's list of bidders if on three (3) occasions the vendor did not respond to a request for bids. A letter from the vendors stating "no-bid" will not be considered a "no response to bid."

20. DELIVERY

FOB Destination, Freight Prepaid - The contractor, to whom the contract is awarded, retains title and control of goods and selects the carrier, and is responsible for the risk of transportation; title passes to the Board of Education upon delivery and ownership by the Board; the successful bidder pays and bears the costs of all freight and delivery charges listed below. The Board of Education recognizes two (2) types of delivery:

- Inside Delivery

Items are to be delivered to a Board of Education location and taken off the truck by transportation carrier personnel and brought to a designated area inside the school or office building.

- Spotted Delivery

Items are to be delivered to a Board of Education location and taken off the truck by transportation carrier personnel and brought to a designated area inside the school or office building. Transportation carrier personnel are responsible to uncrate, setting up, and assembling items to determine good working order and remove all debris to the satisfaction of the Board of Education.

Contractors are cautioned to provide adequate personnel to deliver goods as none will be provided by the Board of Education. If a specialized person is needed to set up, assemble, or an erect item, such assembly shall be completed within five (5) school days of the actual delivery date. Failure to assemble, set up, or erect items within the stated time may result in a *\$100.00 per day* assessment against the bidder for each day items are not assembled, set up, or erected.

The Board of Education will not be responsible for any extra delivery costs. All bid prices for materials, goods, and supplies are to include all shipping, freight, delivery, and handling costs. Specific delivery instructions are provided in the General Specifications.

Please note! All packages, boxes, cartons, etc., when delivered, must be marked on the outside as to contents, and the Board of Education's purchase order number must be clearly printed on the packages, boxes, cartons, etc.

21. DELIVERY GUARANTEE

The contractor agrees to deliver the item(s) so listed in the bid specifications within the prescribed number of days also outlined in the bid specifications. Failure to deliver the designated items within the prescribed period of time shall cause the Board of Education to deduct penalties as per the schedule listed in the general specifications.

22. DOCUMENTS, MISSING/ILLEGIBLE

The bidder shall familiarize himself with all forms provided by the Board that are to be returned with the bid. If there are any forms either missing or illegible, it is the responsibility of the bidder to contact the Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary for duplicate copies of the forms. This must be done before the bid date and time. The Board accepts no responsibility for duplicate forms that were not received by the bidder in time for the bidder to submit their bid.

23. DOCUMENT SIGNATURES – ORIGINAL; BLUE INK

All documents submitted with this bid shall be signed with an original signature in ink (blue). Failure to sign and return all required documents with the bid package may be cause for disqualification and for the bid to be rejected pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-2(y) (non-responsive). Facsimile, rubber-stamped, electronic or digital signatures are not acceptable.

Forms provided by the Board of Education must be returned with the bid. Please check your bid package for these forms!

- Acknowledgment of Addenda
- Affirmative Action Questionnaire
- Assurance of Compliance
- Bid Proposal Form
- Chapter 271 Political Contribution Disclosure Form
- Contractor/Vendor Questionnaire /Certification
- Disclosure Of Prohibited Investment Activities In Iran, Russia And Belarus
- Non-Collusion Affidavit
- Statement of Ownership

24. ESTIMATED QUANTITIES

The Board of Education intends to order the quantities of items listed on the Bid Proposal Form. Bidders are notified that the aforementioned quantities are estimated quantities that the Board intends to purchase and are not to be relied upon as the actual quantity to be purchased. There may be some deviation in the number of items actually ordered because of the budgeting and financial constraints of the school district.

25. EXAMINATION OF SPECIFICATIONS, ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The bidders, by submitting a proposal, acknowledge that they have carefully examined the bid specifications, documents, addenda (if any), and the site; and that from their investigation, they have satisfied themselves as to the nature and location of the work, the general and local conditions and all matters which may in any way affect the work or its performance, and that as a result of such examination, he fully understands the intent and purpose thereof, their obligations thereunder, and that he will not make any claim for, or have any right to damages, because of the lack of any information.

Each bidder submitting a bid for a service contract shall include in their bid price all labor, materials, equipment, services, and other requirements necessary, or incidental to, the completion of the work, and other pertinent work as hereinafter described, in accordance with the bid specifications and documents.

26. FALSE MATERIAL REPRESENTATION – N.J.S.A. 2C:21-34-97(b)

A person commits a crime if the person knowingly makes a material representation that is false in connection with the negotiation, award, or performance of a government contract. If the contract

amount is for \$25,000.00 or above, the offender is guilty of a crime of the second degree. If the contract amount exceeds \$2,500.00 but is less than \$25,000.00, the offender is guilty of a crime of the third degree. If the contract amount is \$2,500.00 or less, the offender is guilty of a crime of the fourth degree.

Bidders should be aware of the following statutes that represent "Truth in Contracting" laws:

- N.J.S.A. 2C:21-34, et seq. governs false claims and representations by bidders. It is a serious crime for the bidder to knowingly submit a false claim and/or knowingly make a material misrepresentation.
- N.J.S.A. 2C:27-10 provides that a public servant commits a crime if said public servant solicits or receives a benefit directly or indirectly, for an official act performed or to be performed by a public servant, which is a violation of official duty.
- N.J.S.A. 2C:27-11 provides that a bidder commits a crime if the said person, directly or indirectly, confers or agrees to confer any benefit not allowed by law to a public servant.

27. FORCE MAJEURE

Neither party shall be liable in damages for any failure, hindrance, or delay in the performance of any obligation under this Agreement if such delay, hindrance, or failure to perform is caused by conditions beyond the control of either party, including, but not limited to, Acts of God, flood, fire, war or the public enemy, explosion, government regulations whether or not valid (including the denial or cancellation of any export or other necessary license), court order, state funding, or other unavoidable causes beyond the reasonable control of the party whose performance is affected which cannot be overcome by due diligence. Vendors, and/or contractors who have a contract with the Board of Education to provide goods or services cannot unilaterally claim an increase in the cost of the contract because of Force Majeure.

28. INSURANCE AND INDEMNIFICATION

☒ **REQUIRED** ☐ **NOT REQUIRED**

When required by the Board of Education, the vendor/contractor to whom the contract is awarded for any service, work, or supply of goods, and, shall secure, pay the premiums for and keep in force until the contract expires, insurance of the types and amounts listed below:

Commercial General Liability with a \$1,000,000 and \$2,000,000 General Aggregate per each occurrence for Bodily Injury, Personal and Advertising Injury, Property Damage, and Products Liability.

Automobile Liability with a \$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit of Liability for Bodily Injury and Property Damage per accident. Automobile liability insurance shall be included to cover any vehicle used by the insured.

Cyber Security and Privacy Liability with a \$1,000,000 per occurrence or claim.

Other Insurance Coverage

\$ 100,000	Pollution Cleanup
\$ 50,000	Fire Damage
\$ 5,000	Medical Expense
\$4,000,000	Excess Umbrella Liability
\$1,000,000	Sexual Harassment, Abuse or Molestation

Insurance Certificate – When Required

The vendor/contractor must present to the Board of Education an insurance certificate in the above types and amounts before any work or service begins.

The certificate holder shall be as follows:

LAKEWOOD Board of Education
c/o Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary
200 Ramsey Ave.
LAKEWOOD, New Jersey 08701

Additional Insured Claim -- The vendor/contractor shall include the following clause on the insurance certificate.

“LAKEWOOD Board of Education is named as an additional insured”

WORKERS COMPENSATION

Evidence of adequate Workers Compensation Insurance as required by the laws of the State of New Jersey and the United States must be available for perusal. The minimum limits are the following unless a greater amount is required by law:

Bodily Injury by Accident	\$1,000,000. Each Accident
Bodily Injury by Disease	\$1,000,000. Policy Limit
Bodily Injury by Disease	\$1,000,000. Each Employee

Indemnification

The vendor/contractor shall assume all risk of and responsibility for, and agrees to indemnify, defend, and save harmless the Board and its agents, employees and Board members, from and against any and all claims, demands, suits, actions, recoveries, judgments and costs and expenses (including, but not limited to, attorneys fees) in connection therewith on account of the loss of life or property or injury or damage to any person, body or property of any person or persons whatsoever, which shall arise from or result directly or indirectly from the work and/or materials supplied under this contract and the performance by contractor of services under the contract or by a party for whom the contractor is liable. This indemnification obligation is not limited by but is in addition to, the insurance obligations contained in this agreement. The vendor/contractor is to assume all liability of every sort of incident to the work, including property damage caused by him or his men or by any subcontractor employed by him or any of the subcontractor's men.

29. INTERPRETATIONS AND ADDENDA

No interpretation of the meaning of the specifications will be made to any bidder orally. Every request for such interpretations should be made in writing to the Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary and must be received at least ten (10) days, not including Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, prior to the date fixed for the opening of bids to be given consideration. Any interpretations and supplemental instructions will be distributed in the form of a written addendum to the specifications. The addendum will be provided in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-21(c) to the bidders by certified mail or certified fax no later than seven (7) days Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays excepted, prior to the date for acceptance of bids. All addenda so issued shall become part of the contract document.

30. IRAN DISCLOSURE OF INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-49.4

The Board of Education, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-49.4, shall implement and comply with Public Law 2012, c.25, Disclosure of Investment Activities in Iran—N.J.S.A. 52:32-55 et seq.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-57, et seq. (P.L. 2012, c.25 and P.L. 2021, c.4) any person or entity that submits a bid or proposal or otherwise proposes to enter into or renew a contract must certify that neither the person nor entity, nor any of its parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates, is identified on the New Jersey Department of the Treasury's Chapter 25 List as a person or entity engaged in investment activities in Iran. The Chapter 25 list is found on the Division's website at <https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/pdf/Chapter25List.pdf>. Vendors/Bidders must review this list prior to completing the below certification. If the Director of the Division of Purchase and Property finds a person or entity to be in violation of the law, s/he shall take action as may be appropriate and provided by law, rule or contract, including but not limited to, imposing sanctions, seeking compliance, recovering damages, declaring the party in default and seeking debarment or suspension of the party.

If the Board determines that a person or entity has submitted a false certification concerning its engagement in investment activities in Iran under section 4 of P.L.2012, c.25 (C.52:32-58), the board shall report to the New Jersey Attorney General the name of that person or entity, and the Attorney General shall determine whether to bring a civil action against the person to collect the penalty prescribed in paragraph (1) of subsection a. of section 5 of P.L.2012, c.25 (C.52:32-59).

In addition, bidders must provide a detailed, accurate and precise description of the activities of the bidding person/entity, or one of its parents, subsidiaries or affiliates, engaging in the investment activities in Iran outlined above by completing the boxes on the lower portion of the enclosed form.

The Board has provided within the specifications, a Disclosure of Investments Activities certification form for all persons or entities, that plan to submit a bid, respond to a proposal, or renew a contract with the board, to complete, sign and submit with the proposal. The Disclosure of Investment Activities in Iran Form is to be completed, certified, and submitted prior to the award of the contract.

31. Prohibited activities with Russia or Belarus supplementing Title 52

Pursuant to Public Law 2022, c.3 government dealings with businesses associated with Belarus or Russia, supplementing Title 52 of the New Jersey Statutes is prohibited. A State agency or local unit, as applicable, shall require a person seeking to engage in any of the enumerated activities specified by subsection a. of this section (C.52:32-60.1) to certify, before the contract is awarded, renewed, amended, or extended, or before applying for certification as an urban renewal entity or designation as a redeveloper that the person is not identified on a list created pursuant to this section as a person engaging in prohibited activities in Russia or Belarus. The certification required shall be executed on behalf of the applicable person by an P.L. 2022, CHAPTER 3 2 authorized officer or representative of the person. If a person is unable to make the certification required because the person or one of the person's parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates has engaged in prohibited activity in Russia or Belarus, the person shall provide to the State agency or local unit of government concerned, prior to the deadline for delivery of such certification, a detailed and precise description of such activities, such description to be provided under penalty of perjury. The certifications provided under this section and disclosures provided under this section shall be disclosed to the public. The Department of Treasury has developed a list of persons it determines engage in prohibited activities in Russian or Belarus.

Lakewood Board of Education has provided in this bid package a form entitled:

Prohibited Russia-Belarus Activities & Iran Investment Activities

All bidders are encouraged to complete, sign and submit the form with their bid response.

Failure to complete, sign and submit the Prohibited Russia-Belarus Activities and Disclosure of Investment Activities in Iran form prior to the award of the contract shall be cause for rejection of the bid.

32. LIABILITY – COPYRIGHT

The contractor shall hold and save the Board of Education, its officials, and employees, harmless from liability of any nature or kind for or on account of the use of any copyrighted or un-copyrighted composition, secret process, patented or unpatented invention, article or appliance furnished or used in the performance of their contract.

33. LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

Liquidated damages shall be assessed against the contractor in the amount as listed in the General Specifications and Contract should the contract/work/service not be completed in accordance with the plans and specifications.

34. NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT

A notarized Non-Collusion Affidavit shall be submitted with the bid/proposal. The bidder/respondent has to certify that he has not directly or indirectly, entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, discussed any or all parts of this proposal with any potential bidders, or otherwise taken any action in restraint of free, competitive bidding in connection with the bid and that all statements contained in said Proposal and this affidavit are true and correct, and made with full knowledge that the Board of Education relies upon the truth of the statements contained in said Proposal and in the statements contained in this affidavit in awarding the contract for the said bid. The respondent has to further warrant that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure such contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, except bona fide employees of bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the respondent.

The Board of Education has provided a Non-Collusion Affidavit form here within the specifications package. All respondents are to complete, sign, have the signature notarized, and submit the form with the proposal response. Failure to submit the Non-Collusion Affidavit with the proposal may be cause for the disqualification of the proposal.

35. PAYMENTS

Every effort will be made to pay vendors and contractors within thirty (30) to sixty (60) days provided the Board of Education receives the appropriate documentation including but not limited to:

- Signed voucher by vendor;
- Packing Slips; and
- Invoices.

Payment will be rendered upon completion of services or delivery of full order of goods/materials/supplies. Pursuant to the New Jersey Prompt Payment Law-- N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-10.1, unless otherwise provided for in the contract, the required payment date shall be ninety (90) calendar days from the date specified in the contract or if no required payment is specified in the contract, then

the required payment date shall be 90 calendar days from the receipt of a properly executed invoice, or 90 calendar days from the receipt of goods or services, whichever is later. Interest shall not be paid unless goods and services have been rendered.

36. POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS DISCLOSURE – PAY TO PLAY

Annual Disclosure

A business entity as defined by law is advised of its responsibility to file an annual disclosure statement on political contributions with the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.13 (P.L. 2005 Chapter 271 section 3) if the business entity receives contracts in excess of \$50,000 from public entities in a calendar year. It is the business entity's responsibility to determine if filing is necessary. Additional information on this requirement is available from the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission at 1-888-313-3532 or www.elec.nj.us.

Chapter 271 Political Contribution Disclosure Form

Business entities (contractors) receiving contracts from a public agency that are NOT awarded pursuant to a "fair and open" process (defined at N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.7) are subject to the provisions of P.L. 2005, c. 271, s.2 (N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26). This law provides that 10 days prior to the award of such a contract, the contractor shall disclose contributions to:

- Any State, county, or municipal committee of a political party
- Any legislative leadership committee*
- Any continuing political committee (a.k.a., political action committee)
- Any candidate committee of a candidate for, or holder of, an elective office:
 - of the public entity awarding the contract
 - of that county in which that public entity is located
 - of another public entity within that county
 - or of a legislative district in which that public entity is located or, when the public entity is a county, of any legislative district which includes all or part of the county.

The disclosure must list reportable contributions to any of the committees that exceed \$300 per election cycle that were made during the 12 months prior to the award of the contract. See N.J.S.A. 19:44A-8 and 19:44A-16 for more details on reportable contributions.

The Board of Education has provided a Chapter 271 Political Contribution Disclosure Form within the specifications package for use by the business entity. The Board has also provided a list of agencies to assist the contractor. The enclosed list of agencies is provided to assist the contractor in identifying those public agencies whose elected officials and/or candidate campaign committees are affected by the disclosure requirement. It is the contractor's responsibility to identify the specific committees to which contributions may have been made and need to be disclosed. The disclosed information may exceed the minimum requirement.

The enclosed Chapter 271 Political Contribution Disclosure Form, a content-consistent facsimile, or an electronic data file containing the required details (along with a signed cover sheet) may be used as the contractor's submission and is disclosable to the public under the Open Public Records Act.

37. POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS/AWARD OF CONTRACTS

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-6.3 (a) (1-4) please note the following:

- **Award of Contract -- Reportable Contributions** -- N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-6.3 (a) (1)

“No board of education will vote upon or award any contract in the amount of \$17,500 or greater to any business entity which has made a contribution reportable by the recipient under P.L.1973, c83 (codified at N.J.S.A. 19:44A-1 et seq.) to a member of the board of education during the preceding one year period.

- **Contributions During Term of Contract – Prohibited** -- N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-6.3 (a) (2-3)

“Contributions reportable by the recipient under P.L. 1973, c83 (codified at N.J.S.A. 19:44A-1 et seq.) to any member of the school board from any business entity doing business with the school district are prohibited during the term of the contract.”

“When a business entity referred in 4.1(e) is a natural person, contribution by that person’s spouse or child that resides therewith shall be deemed to be a contribution by the business entity. When a business entity is other than a natural person, a contribution by any person or other business entity having an interest therein shall be deemed to be a contribution by the business entity.”

- **Chapter 271 Political Contribution Disclosure Form; Required** -- N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-6.3 (a) (4)

All business entities shall submit with their bid/proposal package a completed and signed Chapter 271 Political Contribution Disclosure Form. The Chapter 271 form will be reviewed by the Board to determine whether the business entity is in compliance with the aforementioned N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-6.3 (a) (2) Award of Contract.

The Chapter 271 Political Contribution Disclosure Form shall be submitted with the response to the bid/proposal. Failure to provide the completed and signed form may be cause for disqualification of the bid/proposal.

38. PRE-EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS--CONTRACTED SERVICE PROVIDERS

When applicable, all contracted service providers, whose employees have regular contact with students, shall comply with the Pre-Employment Requirements in accordance with New Jersey P.L. 2018 c.5, N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.6 et seq. Contracted service providers are to review the following New Jersey Department of Education—Pre-Employment Resource P.L. 2018 c.5 link below for guidance and compliance procedures.

<https://www.nj.gov/education/crimhist/preemployment/>

39. PRODUCT GUARANTEE; NO SUBSTITUTIONS

The contractor shall guarantee that all goods and materials supplied shall be new, unused, and meet the specifications as noted in this bid. The Board of Education will not accept substituted items that deviate from the items listed on the purchase order.

40. QUALIFICATION OF BIDDERS - Contractor Questionnaire Certification Form

The Board of Education may make such investigations as it seems necessary to determine the ability of the bidder to perform the terms of the contract. The bidder shall complete a Contractor Questionnaire Certification Form and return the form with the bid and shall furnish all information to the Board as the Board may require to determine the contractor’s ability to perform the duties and obligations as outlined in these specifications.

41. RIGHT TO KNOW LAW

All potentially hazardous materials or substances must be properly labeled in full accordance with the New Jersey Worker and Community Right to Know Law - N.J.S.A. 34:5A-1 et seq. All contractors or vendors who need additional information about the New Jersey Right to Know Law are to contact the:

New Jersey Department of Health
Workplace, Health and Safety
Right to Know Unit
CN 368
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0368

42. SAMPLES

From time to time the Board may require the submission of samples either before or at the time of the bid, at no charge to the district, in order to ascertain whether or not a product will be suitable for the purpose for which it is intended. If it is specifically stated elsewhere in the bid documents that samples are required, full-size samples must be submitted no later than the official *BID OPENING*. Failure to submit said samples may be regarded as a basis for rejecting the bid. Samples may be impounded until the satisfactory completion of the contract. Otherwise, all samples must be picked up by the bidder within thirty (30) days of the award of contracts or said samples will be presumed abandoned and the Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary will dispose of them as seen fit.

43. STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP (N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2)

No business organization, regardless of the form of ownership, shall be awarded any contract for the performance of any work or the furnishing of any goods and services, unless, prior to the receipt of the bid or accompanying the bid of said business organization, bidders shall submit a statement setting forth the names and addresses of all persons and entities that own ten percent or more of its stock or interest of any type at all levels of ownership.

The included Statement of Ownership shall be completed and attached to the bid proposal. This requirement applies to all forms of business organizations, including, but not limited to, corporations and partnerships, publicly-owned corporations, limited partnerships, limited liability corporations, limited liability partnerships, sole proprietorship, and Subchapter S corporations. Failure to submit a disclosure document shall result in rejection of the bid as it cannot be remedied after bids have been opened.

Not-for-profit entities should fill in their name, check the not-for-profit box, and certify the form. No other information is required.

44. SUBCONTRACTING; ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT

Contractors, service providers, and all vendors with whom the Board of Education has an executed contract may not subcontract any part of any work done or assign any part of a contract for goods or materials for the Board without first receiving written permission from the Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

Contractors, service providers, and vendors using subcontractors assume all responsibility for work performed by subcontractors. The Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary may require the following documents to be secured from all approved subcontractors:

- Insurance Certificate as outlined in the bid specifications;
- Affirmative Action Evidence as outlined in the bid specifications;
- Written certification that the subcontractor shall adhere to prevailing wages as provided through New Jersey State Law.

In cases of subcontracting, the Board of Education shall only pay the prime contractor. It is the sole responsibility of the prime contractor to ensure that all subcontractors are paid. The Board of Education shall not be responsible for payments to subcontractors and shall be held harmless against any or all claims generated against prime contractors for non-payment to subcontractors. Transportation carriers hired by the vendor to deliver goods and materials are not considered to be subcontractors.

45. TAXES

As a New Jersey governmental entity, the Board of Education is exempt from the requirements under New Jersey state sales and use tax (N.J.S.A. 54:32B-1 et seq.), and does not pay any sales or use taxes. Bidders should note that they are expected to comply with the provisions of the said statute and the rules and regulations promulgated thereto to qualify them for examinations and reference to any labor, services, materials, and supplies furnished to the Board of Education. Contractors may not use the Board's tax-exempt status to purchase supplies, materials, services, or equipment.

A contractor may qualify for a New Jersey Sales Tax Exemption on the purchase of materials, supplies, and services when these purchases are used exclusively to fulfill the terms and conditions of the contract with the Board of Education. All contractors are referred to the New Jersey Division of Taxation—**Tax Bulletin S&U-3** for guidance. Again, contractors are not permitted to use the Board's tax identification number to purchase supplies, materials, services, or equipment.

46. TERMINATION OF CONTRACT

If the Board determines that the contractor has failed to comply with the terms and conditions of the bid and/or proposal upon which the issuance of the contract is based or that the contractor has failed to perform said service, duties, and or responsibilities in a timely, proper, professional and/or efficient manner, then the Board shall have the authority to terminate the contract upon written notice setting forth the reason for termination and effective date of termination.

Termination by the Board of the contract does not absolve the contractor from potential liability for damages caused by the District by the contractor's breach of this agreement. The Board may withhold payment due to the contractor and apply the same towards damages once established.

The Board will act diligently in accordance with governing statutes to mitigate damages. Damages may include the additional cost of procuring said services or goods from other sources.

The contractor further agrees to indemnify and hold the District harmless from any liability to subcontractors or suppliers concerning work performed or goods provided arising out of the lawful termination of this agreement. The contract may be terminated by the board for convenience without any liability or penalty to the board except that the contractor shall be paid for services that are rendered prior to the date of termination, excluding loss of profits, loss of business advantage, compensatory or consequential damages.

47. WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS

- **Before The Bid Opening**

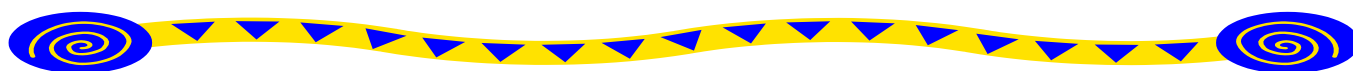
The Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary may consider a written request from a bidder to withdraw a bid if the written request is received by the Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary before the advertised time of the bid opening. Any bidder who has been granted permission by the Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary to have their bid withdrawn cannot re-submit a bid for the same advertised bid project. That bidder shall also be disqualified from future bidding on the same project if the project is re-bid.

- **After The Bid Opening**

The Board of Education may consider a written request from a bidder to withdraw a bid if the written request is received by the Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary within five (5) business days after the bid opening. A request to withdraw a bid after the specified number of days will not be honored. The contractor/vendor who wishes to withdraw a bid must provide a certification supported by written factual evidence that an error or omission was made by the contractor and that the error or omission was a substantial computational error or an unintentional omission or both.

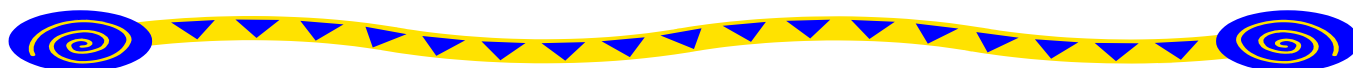
The request to withdraw a bid after the bid opening may be reviewed by the Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, the Director of Facilities, other interested administrators; and the Architect of Record for the project (if necessary) and/or the Board Attorney and a recommendation will be made to the Board of Education. If the Board of Education grants permission to have the bid withdrawn the contractor/vendor shall be disqualified from bidding on the same project if the project is re-bid. If the contractor/vendor fails to meet the burden of proof to have the bid withdrawn the request to withdraw the bid will be denied and if the contractor/vendor fails to execute the contract the bid guarantee will be forfeited and become the property of the Board of Education.

LAKEWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION



BID DOCUMENTS AND REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

All documents in this section shall be completed, signed, and submitted with the bid package – Failure to submit the bid documents and other documents so specified may be cause to reject the bid for being non-responsive (N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-2(y)).



Kevin Campbell
Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

BID PROPOSAL SHEET

BID 01-2425

LEXIA CORE5 READING PROGRAM PROPRIETARY BID

TOTAL COST OF PROGRAM FOR FIVE (5) YEARS

2024/2025

2025/2026

2026/2027

2027/2028

2028/2029

\$ _____

Name of Company _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Telephone No. _____ Ext. _____ Fax No. _____

E-Mail : _____

Tax ID No. _____

Authorized Agent _____ Date _____

Authorized Signature _____ **Date** _____

To be completed, signed and returned with Bid.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ADDENDA

Bid Number **01-2425**

Bid Date: **Wednesday, February 14, 2024**

The bidder acknowledges receipt of the hereinafter enumerated Addenda which has been issued during the period of bidding and agrees that said Addenda shall become a part of this contract. The bidder shall list below the numbers and issuing dates of the Addenda.

ADDENDA NO.	ISSUING DATES
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

☐ **No Addenda Received**

Name of Company _____

Address _____ P.O. Box _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

Name of Authorized Representative _____

Signature _____ Title _____

To be completed, signed and returned with Bid.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION QUESTIONNAIRE

Bid Number 01-2425

Bid Date: Wednesday, February 14, 2024

This form is to be completed and returned with the bid. However, the Board will accept in lieu of this Questionnaire, an Affirmative Action Evidence Certificate of Employee Information Report.

1. Our company has a Federal Affirmative Action Plan approval. ☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, please attach a copy of the plan to this questionnaire.
2. Our company has a N.J. State Certificate of Employee Information Report ☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, please attach a copy of the certificate to this questionnaire.
3. If you answered “NO” to both questions No. 1 and 2, you must apply for an Affirmative Action Employee Information Report – Form AA302.

Please visit the New Jersey Department of Treasury website for the Division of Public Contracts Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance:

[NJ Department of the Treasury Contract Compliance \(state.nj.us\)](https://state.nj.us)

Click on “AA 302 Employee Information Report”

Complete and submit the form with the appropriate payment to:

Department of Treasury
Division of Purchase and Property
Contract Compliance and Audit Unit

The complete mailing address may be found on the Instructions page of Form AA-302

All fees for this application are to be paid directly to the State of New Jersey. A copy of the Employee Information Report and a copy of the check shall be submitted to the Board of Education prior to the execution or award of the contract.

I certify that the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Name: _____

Signature _____

Title _____ Date _____

Name of Company _____

City, State, Zip _____

ASSURANCE OF COMPLIANCE

Contact with Students

There may be times during the performance of this contract, when a contracted service provider may come in contact with students of the school district. The district fully understands its obligation to provide all students and staff members with a safe educational environment. To this end, the district is requiring all bidders to sign a statement of Assurance of Compliance, acknowledging the bidder's understanding of the below-listed requirements and further acknowledging the bidder's assurance of compliance with those listed requirements.

Anti-Bullying Reporting--Requirement

When applicable, the contracted service provider shall comply with all applicable provisions of the New Jersey Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act—N.J.S.A. 18A:37-13.1 et seq., all applicable code and regulations, and the Anti-Bullying Policy of the Board of Education. In accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:16-7.7 (c), a contracted service provider, who has witnessed, or has reliable information that a student has been subject to harassment, intimidation, or bullying shall immediately report the incident to any school administrator or safe schools resource officer, or the Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

Criminal History Background Checks—N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.1--Requirement

When applicable, the contracted service provider shall provide to the school district prior to commencement of the contract, evidence or proof that each employee assigned to provide services and that comes in **regular contact** with students has had a criminal history background check, and furthermore, that said background check indicates that no criminal history record information exists on file for that worker. Failure to provide proof of criminal history background check for any employee coming in regular contact with students, prior to commencement of contact, may be cause for breach of contract. See NJDOE Broadcast 9/9/19.

Pre-Employment Requirements

When applicable, all contracted service providers, whose employees have **regular contact with students**, shall comply with the Pre-Employment Requirements in accordance with New Jersey P.L. 2018 c.5, N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.6 et seq. Contracted service providers are to review the following New Jersey Department of Education Office of Student Protection—Pre-Employment Resource P.L. 2018 c.5 link below for guidance and compliance procedures.

<https://www.nj.gov/education/crimhist/preemployment/>

Name of Company _____

Name of Authorized Representative _____

Signature _____ Date _____

To be completed, signed and returned with Bid

CONTRACTOR/VENDOR QUESTIONNAIRE CERTIFICATION

Bid No. 01-2425

Bid Date: Wednesday, February 14, 2024

Name of Company _____
Address _____ PO Box _____
City, State, Zip _____
Business Phone Number (____) _____ Emergency Phone Number (____) _____
E-Mail _____ FEIN No. _____
Unique Identifier Number _____ (if applicable) CAGE Code (if applicable) _____

References – Work previously done for School Districts in New Jersey

	<u>Name of District</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Contact Person/Title</u>	<u>Phone</u>
1.	_____	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____	_____

Vendor Certifications

Direct/Indirect Interests

I declare and certify that no member of the LAKEWOOD Board of Education, nor any officer or employee, or person whose salary is payable in whole or in part by said Board of Education or their immediate family members are directly or indirectly interested in this bid or in the supplies, materials, equipment, work or services to which it relates, or in any portion of profits thereof. If a situation so exists where a Board member, employee, officer of the board has an interest in the bid, etc., then please attach a letter of explanation to this document, duly signed by the president of the firm or company.

Gifts; Gratuities; Compensation

I declare and certify that no person from my firm, business, corporation, association or partnership offered or paid any fee, commission, or compensation, or offered any gift, gratuity, or other things of value to any school official, board member, or employee of the LAKEWOOD Board of Education.

Vendor Certifications

I declare and certify that I fully understand N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-6.3(a) (1-4) concerning vendor contributions to school board members.

Debarment Certification

I certify that my company and any person employed by my company, nor any affiliates are not debarred from contracting with a Federal government agency, nor debarred from contracting with the State of New Jersey.

I further certify that I understand that it is a crime in the second degree in New Jersey to knowingly make a material representation that is false in connection with the negotiation, award, or performance of a government contract.

President or Authorized Agent (Print)

SIGNATURE

DISCLOSURE OF PROHIBITED INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN, RUSSIA AND BELARUS**P.L. 2022, c. 3, N.J.S.A. 52:32-55 et seq., N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2.1, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-49.4****PART 1****COMPLETE PART 1 BY CHECKING ONE OF THE TWO BOXES BELOW**

Pursuant to law, any person or entity that is a successful bidder or proposer, or otherwise proposes to enter into or renew a contract, for goods or services must complete the certification below prior to contract award to attest, under penalty of perjury, that neither the person or entity, nor any parent entity, subsidiary, or affiliate, is identified on the Department of Treasury's Russia-Belarus list or Chapter 25 list as a person or entity engaging in prohibited activities in Russia, Belarus or Iran. Before a contract for goods or services can be amended or extended, a person or entity must certify that neither the person or entity, nor any parent entity, subsidiary, or affiliate, is identified on the Department of Treasury's Russia-Belarus list. Both lists are found on Treasury's website at the following web addresses: <https://www.nj.gov/treasury/administration/pdf/RussiaBelarusEntityList.pdf> www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/pdf/Chapter25List.pdf.

As applicable to the type of contract, the above-referenced lists must be reviewed prior to completing the below certification. A person or entity unable to make the certification must provide a detailed, accurate, and precise description of the activities of the person or entity, or of a parent entity, subsidiary, or affiliate, engaging in prohibited activities in Russia or Belarus and/or investment activities in Iran. The person or entity must cease engaging in any prohibited activities and provide an updated certification before the contract can be entered into.

If a vendor or contractor is found to be in violation of law, action may be taken as appropriate and as may be provided by law, rule, or contract, including but not limited to imposing sanctions, seeking compliance, recovering damages, declaring the party in default, and seeking debarment or suspension of the party.

CONTRACT AWARDS AND RENEWALS/CONTRACT AMENDMENTS AND EXTENSIONS

☐ **I certify**, pursuant to law, that neither the person or entity listed above, nor any parent entity, subsidiary, or affiliate appears on the N.J. Department of Treasury's lists of entities engaged in prohibited activities in Russia or Belarus pursuant to P.L. 2022, c. 3 or in investment activities in Iran pursuant to P.L. 2012, c. 25 ("Chapter 25 List"). I further certify that I am the person listed above, or I am an officer or representative of the entity listed above and am authorized to make this certification on its behalf.

(Skip Part 2 and sign and complete the Certification below.)

IF UNABLE TO CERTIFY

☐ **I am unable to certify** as above because the person or entity and/or a parent entity, subsidiary, or affiliate is listed on the Department's Russia-Belarus list and/or Chapter 25 Iran list. *I will provide a detailed, accurate, and precise description of the activities as directed in Part 2 below, and sign and complete the Certification below.* Failure to provide such will prevent the award of the contract to the person or entity, and appropriate penalties, fines, and/or sanctions will be assessed as provided by law.

PART 2

PLEASE PROVIDE FURTHER INFORMATION RELATED TO PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES IN RUSSIA OR BELARUS AND/OR INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN. You must provide a detailed, accurate, and precise description of the activities of the person or entity, or of a parent entity, subsidiary, or affiliate, engaging in prohibited activities in Russia or Belarus and/or investment activities in Iran in the space below and, if needed, on additional sheets provided by you.

CERTIFICATION

I, being duly sworn upon my oath, hereby represent and state that the foregoing information and any attachments there, to the best of my knowledge, are true and complete. I attest that I am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the above-referenced person or entity. I acknowledge that the Township of Branchburg is relying on the information contained herein and hereby acknowledge that I am under a continuing obligation from the date of this certification through the completion of any contracts with the Township of Branchburg to notify the Township of Branchburg in writing of any changes to the answers of information contained herein. I acknowledge that I am aware that it is a criminal offense to make a false statement or misrepresentation in this certification. If I do so, I recognize that I am subject to criminal prosecution under the law and that it will also constitute a material breach of my agreement(s) with the Township of Branchburg and that the Township of Branchburg at its option may declare any contract(s) resulting from this certification void and unenforceable.

Printed Name of Authorized Agent		Signature of Authorized Agent
Title		Date
Company Name/Person/Entity		

To be completed, signed and returned with Bid.

NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT

Bid No. 01-2425

Bid Date: Wednesday, February 14, 2024

I, _____ of the City of _____

in the County of _____ and the State of _____

of full age, being duly sworn according to law on my oath depose and say that:

I am _____ of the _____
Title Name of Company

I am the bidder making the Proposal for the above names contract, and I executed the said Proposal with full authority so to do; that I have not, directly or indirectly, entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, discussed any or all parts of this proposal with any potential bidders, or otherwise taken any action in restraint of free, competitive bidding in connection with the above-named bid, and that all statements contained in said Proposal and this affidavit are true and correct and made with full knowledge that the Board of Education relies upon the truth of the statements contained in said Proposal and in the statements contained in this affidavit in awarding the contract for the said bid.

I further warrant that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure such contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, except bona fide employees of bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by

(Print Name of Contractor/Vendor)

Subscribed and sworn to: _____
(Signature of Contractor/Vendor)

before me this _____ day of _____, _____.
Month Year

NOTARY PUBLIC SIGNATURE

Print Name of Notary Public

My commission expires _____, _____.
Month Day Year

SEAL

STAMP

To be completed, signed and returned with Bid

STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE

N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2 (P.L. 1977, c.33, as amended by P.L. 2016, c.43)

This statement shall be completed, certified to, and included with all bid and proposal submissions. Failure to submit the required information is cause for automatic rejection of the bid or proposal.

Name of Organization: _____

Organization Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

Part I Check the box that represents the type of business organization:

- ☐ Sole Proprietorship (skip Parts II and III, execute certification in Part IV)
- ☐ Non-Profit Corporation (skip Parts II and III, execute certification in Part IV)
- ☐ For-Profit Corporation (any type) ☐ Limited Liability Company (LLC)
- ☐ Partnership ☐ Limited Partnership ☐ Limited Liability Partnership (LLP)
- ☐ Other (be specific): _____

Part II Check the appropriate box

- ☐ The list below contains the names and addresses of all stockholders in the corporation who own 10 percent or more of its stock, of any class, or of all individual partners in the partnership who own a 10 percent or greater interest therein, or of all members in the limited liability company who owns a 10 percent or greater interest therein, as the case may be. **(COMPLETE THE LIST BELOW IN THIS SECTION)**
- OR**
- ☐ No one stockholder in the corporation owns 10 percent or more of its stock, of any class, or no individual partner in the partnership owns a 10 percent or greater interest therein, or no member in the limited liability company owns a 10 percent or greater interest therein, as the case may be. **(SKIP TO PART IV)**

(Please attach additional sheets if more space is needed):

Name of Individual or Business Entity	Address

Part III Disclosure Of 10% Or Greater Ownership In The Stockholders, Partners or LLC Members Listed In Part II

If a bidder has a direct or indirect parent entity which is publicly traded, and any person holds a 10 percent or greater beneficial interest in the publicly traded parent entity as of the last annual federal Security and Exchange Commission (SEC) or foreign equivalent filing, ownership disclosure can be met by providing links to the website(s) containing the last annual filing(s) with the federal Securities and Exchange Commission (or foreign equivalent) that contain the name and address of each person holding a 10% or greater beneficial interest in the publicly traded parent entity, along with the relevant page numbers of the filing(s) that contain the information on each such person. Attach additional sheets if more space is needed.

Website (URL) containing the last annual SEC (or foreign equivalent) filing	Page #'s

Please list the names and addresses of each stockholder, partner or member owning a 10 percent or greater interest in any corresponding corporation, partnership and/or limited liability company (LLC) listed in Part II **other than for any publicly traded parent entities referenced above**. The disclosure shall be continued until names and addresses of every non-corporate stockholder, and individual partner, and member exceeding the 10 percent ownership criteria established pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2 has been listed. **Attach additional sheets if more space is needed.**

Stockholder/Partner/Member and Corresponding Entity Listed in Part II	Address

Part IV Certification

I, being duly sworn upon my oath, hereby represent that the foregoing information and any attachments thereto to the best of my knowledge are true and complete. I acknowledge: that I am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the bidder/proposer; that the LAKEWOOD Board of Education is relying on the information contained herein and that I am under a continuing obligation from the date of this certification through the completion of any contracts with the Board of Education to notify the Board of Education in writing of any changes to the information contained herein; that I am aware that it is a criminal offense to make a false statement or misrepresentation in this certification, and if I do so, I am subject to criminal prosecution under the law and that it will constitute a material breach of my agreement(s) with the, permitting the Board of Education to declare any contract(s) resulting from this certification void and unenforceable.

Full Name (Print):		Title:	
Signature:		Date:	

This statement shall be completed, certified to, and included with all bid and proposal submissions. Failure to submit the required information is cause for automatic rejection of the bid or proposal.

To be completed, signed and returned with Bid.

LAKEWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION

CHAPTER 271

POLITICAL CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE FORM

**(Contracts that Exceed \$17,500.00)
Ref. N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26**

The undersigned, being authorized and knowledgeable of the circumstances, does hereby certify that _____ (Business Entity) has made the following **reportable** political contributions to any elected official, political candidate or any political committee as defined in N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.26 during the twelve (12) months preceding this award of contract:

Reportable Contributions

<u>Date of Contribution</u>	<u>Amount of Contribution</u>	<u>Name of Recipient Elected Official/Committee/Candidate</u>	<u>Name of Contributor</u>

The Business Entity may attach additional pages if needed.

☐ **No Reportable Contributions** (Please check (✓) if applicable.)

I certify that _____ (Business Entity) made no reportable contributions to any elected official, political candidate or any political committee as defined in N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.26.

Certification

I certify, that the information provided above is in full compliance with Public Law 2005—Chapter 271.

Name of Authorized Agent _____

Signature _____ Title _____

Business Entity _____

To be completed, signed and returned with Bid.
LAKEWOOD Board of Education

Chapter 271
POLITICAL CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE FORM
(Contracts that Exceed \$17,500.00)
Ref. N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.26

The undersigned, being authorized and knowledgeable of the circumstances, does hereby certify that _____ **(Business Entity)** has made the following **reportable** political contributions to any elected official, political candidate or any political committee as defined in N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.26 during the twelve (12) months preceding this award of contract:

Reportable Contributions

<u>Date of Contribution</u>	<u>Amount of Contribution</u>	<u>Name of Recipient Elected Official/ Committee/Candidate</u>	<u>Name of Contributor</u>

The Business Entity may attach additional pages if needed.

☐ **No Reportable Contributions** (Please check (✓) if applicable.)

I certify that _____ **(Business Entity)** made no reportable contributions to any elected official, political candidate or any political committee as defined in N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.26.

Certification

I certify, that the information provided above is in full compliance with Public Law 2005—Chapter 271.

Name of Authorized Agent _____

Signature _____ **Title** _____

Business Entity _____

C. 271 POLITICAL CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE FORM

Contractor Instructions

Business entities (contractors) receiving contracts from a public agency that are NOT awarded pursuant to a “fair and open” process (defined at N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.7) are subject to the provisions of P.L. 2005, c. 271, s.2 (N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26). This law provides that 10 days prior to the award of such a contract, the contractor shall disclose contributions to:

- any State, county, or municipal committee of a political party
- any legislative leadership committee*
- any continuing political committee (a.k.a., political action committee)
- any candidate committee of a candidate for, or holder of, an elective office:
 - of the public entity awarding the contract
 - of that county in which that public entity is located
 - of another public entity within that county
 - or of a legislative district in which that public entity is located or, when the public entity is a county, of any legislative district which includes all or part of the county

The disclosure must list reportable contributions to any of the committees that exceed \$300 per election cycle that were made during the 12 months prior to award of the contract. See N.J.S.A. 19:44A-8 and 19:44A-16 for more details on reportable contributions.

N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26 itemizes the parties from whom contributions must be disclosed when a business entity is not a natural person. This includes the following:

- individuals with an “interest” ownership or control of more than 10% of the profits or assets of a business entity or 10% of the stock in the case of a business entity that is a corporation for profit
- all principals, partners, officers, or directors of the business entity or their spouses
- any subsidiaries directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity
- IRS Code Section 527 New Jersey based organizations, directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity and filing as continuing political committees, (PACs).

When the business entity is a natural person, “a contribution by that person’s spouse or child, residing therewith, shall be deemed to be a contribution by the business entity.” [N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26(b)] The contributor must be listed on the disclosure.

Any business entity that fails to comply with the disclosure provisions shall be subject to a fine imposed by ELEC in an amount to be determined by the Commission which may be based upon the amount that the business entity failed to report.

The enclosed list of agencies is provided to assist the contractor in identifying those public agencies whose elected official and/or candidate campaign committees are affected by the disclosure requirement. It is the contractor’s responsibility to identify the specific committees to which contributions may have been made and need to be disclosed. The disclosed information may exceed the minimum requirement.

The enclosed form, a content-consistent facsimile, or an electronic data file containing the required details (along with a signed cover sheet) may be used as the contractor’s submission and is disclosable to the public under the Open Public Records Act.

The contractor must also complete the attached Stockholder Disclosure Certification. This will assist the agency in meeting its obligations under the law. **NOTE: This section does not apply to Board of Education contracts.**

N.J.S.A. 19:44A-3(s): “The term “legislative leadership committee” means a committee established, authorized to be established, or designated by the President of the Senate, the Minority Leader of the Senate, the Speaker of the General Assembly or the Minority Leader of the General Assembly pursuant to section 16 of P.L.1993, c.65 (C.19:44A-10.1) for the purpose of receiving contributions and making expenditures.

**List of Agencies with Elected Officials Required for Political Contribution Disclosure
N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26**

County Name: Ocean

State: Governor, and Legislative Leadership Committees

Legislative District #s: 9, 10, & 30

State Senator and two members of the General Assembly per district.

County:

Freeholders	County Clerk	Sheriff	Surrogate
Municipalities (Mayor and members of governing body, regardless of title):			
Barnegat Light Borough	Jackson Township		Pine Beach Borough
Barnegat Township	Lacey Township		Plumsted Township
			Point Pleasant Beach Borough
Bay Head Borough	Lakehurst Borough		Point Pleasant Borough
Beach Haven Borough	Lakewood Township		Seaside Heights Borough
Beachwood Borough	Lavallette Borough		Seaside Park Borough
Berkeley Township	Little Egg Harbor Township		Ship Bottom Borough
Brick Township	Long Beach Township		South Toms River Borough
Dover Township	Manchester Township		Stafford Township
Eagleswood Township	Mantoloking Borough		Surf City Borough
Harvey Cedars Borough	Ocean Gate Borough		Tuckerton Borough
Island Heights Borough	Ocean Township		

Boards of Education (Members of the Board):

Barnegat Township	Lakehurst Borough	Plumsted Township
		Point Pleasant Beach Borough
Bay Head Borough	Lakewood Township	Point Pleasant Borough
Beach Haven Borough	Lavallette Borough	Seaside Heights Borough
Berkeley Township	Little Egg Harbor Township	Seaside Park Borough
Brick Township	Long Beach Island	Southern Regional
Central Regional	Manchester Township	Stafford Township
Eagleswood Township	Mantoloking	Toms River Regional
Island Heights Borough	Ocean Gate Borough	Tuckerton Borough
Jackson Township	Ocean Township	
Lacey Township	Pinelands Regional	

Fire Districts (Board of Fire Commissioners):

Brick Township Fire District No. 1	Jackson Township Fire District No. 3
Brick Township Fire District No. 2	Jackson Township Fire District No. 4
Brick Township Fire District No. 3	Lakewood Township Fire District No. 1
Dover Township Fire District No. 1	Little Egg Harbor Township. Fire District No. 1
Dover Township Fire District No. 2	Little Egg Harbor Township Fire District No. 2
Jackson Township Fire District No. 1	Little Egg Harbor Township Fire District No. 3
Jackson Township Fire District No. 2	Plumsted Township Fire District No. 1

APPENDIX A
AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990
Equal Opportunity for Individuals with Disability

The contractor and the Board of Education (hereafter "owner") do hereby agree that the provisions of Title 11 of the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990 (the "Act") (42 U.S.C. S121 01 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability by public entities in all services, programs, and activities provided or made available by public entities, and the rules and regulations promulgated pursuant there unto, are made a part of this contract. In providing any aid, benefit, or service on behalf of the owner pursuant to this contract, the contractor agrees that the performance shall be in strict compliance with the Act. In the event that the contractor, its agents, servants, employees, or subcontractors violate or are alleged to have violated the Act during the performance of this contract, the contractor shall defend the owner in any action or administrative proceeding commenced pursuant to this Act. The contractor shall indemnify, protect, and save harmless the owner, its agents, servants, and employees from and against any and all suits, claims, losses, demands, or damages, of whatever kind or nature arising out of or claimed to arise out of the alleged violation. The contractor shall, at its own expense, appear, defend, and pay any and all charges for legal services and any and all costs and other expenses arising from such action or administrative proceeding or incurred in connection therewith. In any and all complaints brought pursuant to the owner's grievance procedure, the contractor agrees to abide by any decision of the owner which is rendered pursuant to said grievance procedure. If any action or administrative proceeding results in an award of damages against the owner, or if the owner incurs any expense to cure a violation of the ADA which has been brought pursuant to its grievance procedure, the contractor shall satisfy and discharge the same at its own expense.

The owner shall, as soon as practicable after a claim has been made against it, give written notice thereof to the contractor along with full and complete particulars of the claim, If any action or administrative proceeding is brought against the owner or any of its agents, servants, and employees, the *owner shall* expeditiously forward or have forwarded to the contractor every demand, complaint, notice, summons, pleading, or other process received by the owner or its representatives.

It is expressly agreed and understood that any approval by the owner of the services provided by the contractor pursuant to this contract will not relieve the contractor of the obligation to comply with the Act and to defend, indemnify, protect, and save harmless the owner pursuant to this paragraph.

It is further agreed and understood that the owner assumes no obligation to indemnify or save harmless the contractor, its agents, servants, employees and subcontractors for any claim which may arise out of their performance of this Agreement. Furthermore, the contractor expressly understands and agrees that the provisions of this indemnification clause shall in no way limit the contractor's obligations assumed in this Agreement, nor shall they be construed to relieve the contractor from any liability, nor preclude the owner from taking any other actions available to it under any other provisions of the Agreement or otherwise at law.

By Signing below the Contractor agrees that they will comply with the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990:

Witness Signature:_____

Authorized Signature & Title_____

Date_____

Date _____

EXHIBIT A

MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE

N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. (P.L. 1975, C. 127)

N.J.A.C. 17:27

GOODS, PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND GENERAL SERVICE CONTRACTS

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Except with respect to affectional or sexual orientation and gender identity or expression, the contractor will ensure that equal employment opportunity is afforded to such applicants in recruitment and employment, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Such equal employment opportunity shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Public Agency Compliance Officer setting forth provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex.

The contractor or subcontractor will send to each labor union, with which it has a collective bargaining agreement, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer, advising the labor union of the contractor's commitments under this chapter and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, agrees to comply with any regulations promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., as amended and supplemented from time to time and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to make good faith efforts to meet targeted county employment goals established in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to inform in writing its appropriate recruitment agencies including, but not limited to, employment agencies, placement bureaus, colleges, universities, and labor unions, that it does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, and that it will discontinue the use of any recruitment agency which engages in direct or indirect discriminatory practices.

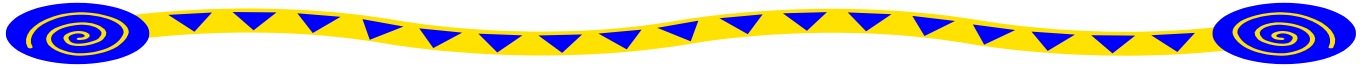
The contractor or subcontractor agrees to revise any of its testing procedures, if necessary, to assure that all personnel testing conforms with the principles of job related testing, as established by the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey and as established by applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

In conforming with the targeted employment goals, the contractor or subcontractor agrees to review all procedures relating to transfer, upgrading, downgrading and layoff to ensure that all such actions are taken without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, consistent with the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey, and applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

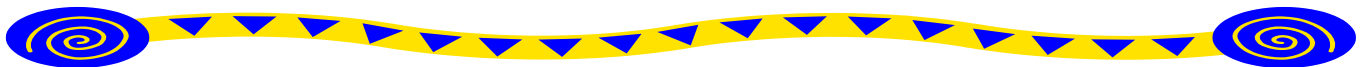
The contractor shall submit to the public agency, after notification of award but prior to execution of a goods and services contract, one of the following three documents:

- Letter of Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval;
- Certificate of Employee Information Report; or
- Employee Information Report Form AA-302 (electronically provided by the Division and distributed to the public agency through the Division's website at: [http:// www.state.nj.us/treasury/contract_compliance/](http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/contract_compliance/)).

The contractor and its subcontractors shall furnish such reports or other documents to the Division of Purchase & Property, CCAU, EEO Monitoring Program as may be requested by the office from time to time in order to carry out the purposes of these regulations, and public agencies shall furnish such information as may be requested by the Division of Purchase & Property, CCAU, EEO Monitoring Program for conducting a compliance investigation pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:27-1.1 et seq.



TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS



Kevin Campbell
Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

DESCRIPTION AND NEEDS ASSESSMENT OF DEVICES REQUIRED

Proprietary Bid

As defined in NJSA 18A:18A-2(cc), “Proprietary” means goods or services of a specialized nature, that may be made or marketed by a person or persons having the exclusive right to make or sell them, when the need for such goods or services has been certified in writing by the Board of Education to be necessary for the conduct of its affairs.

As explained in the Certification of Need pursuant to NJAC 5:34-9.1(a,b,c), Lexia Learning Systems LLC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Lexia Voyager Sopris Inc., and is the sole developer, publisher, copyright holder, and patent holder for Lexia Core5 Reading Program.

As required when using Federal Funds, a proprietary bid is still required to be advertised for such goods or services. The funding source for this purchase is ESSER III Grant Funding.

NEEDS ASSESSMENT OF PROGRAM

Since 2014, the Lakewood Public School District has used Istation as a Universal Screener and a reading enrichment and intervention program. Stakeholders acknowledge the platform’s benefits as a Universal Screener but have realized that a better program has recently been created and studied for efficacy.

Lexia Core5 was built on the Science of Reading, follows the Gradual Release of Responsibility model, has a strong rating from the Evidence for ESSA website, and is proven to help students in districts with similar demographics to Lakewood get to grade level proficiency in Reading. In addition, the platform offers the students choices regarding which skills and activities they would like to work on. This increases student motivation and engagement in the instructional process.

The District piloted the Lexia Core5 software during the 2023-2024 school year and saw positive results. It is our job to offer our students the most powerful instruction available with the greatest chance of helping all of our students reach grade-level proficiency. At this time we believe that Lexia Core5 is the only platform that fulfills these requirements. Lexia is the sole source provider for the Core5 instructional software and we would like to purchase licenses for our K-2 students for a period of five (5) school years beginning school year 2024/2025 thru 2028/2029.

To All Bidders:

REMINDER!

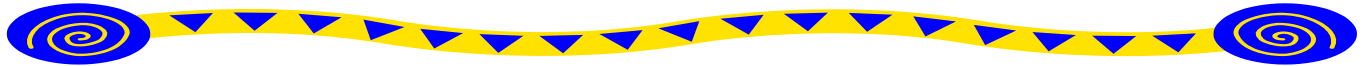
Did you sign all of the bid documents?

All bid documents returned to the Board shall be signed with original signatures. Please try to use **blue ink**.

The Board will not accept facsimiles, rubber stamps, electronic or digital signatures.

Failure to sign all bid documents may be cause for disqualification and rejection of the bid.

Kevin Campbell
Assistant School Business Administrator/Board Secretary



FEDERAL CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS 2 CFR PART 200 et seq.

ADDENDA

Public Works, Goods and Services; Food Services Contracts

REVIEW AND SIGN:

Attachment A (Page 13 of 16)
Attachment B (Page 14 of 16)
Attachment C (Page 15 of 16)

SUBMIT FORMS WITH BID/PROPOSAL PACKAGE



Ms. Kevin Campbell
Assistant Business Administrator

Federal Contract Requirements Addendum

The Board of Education and the Contractor acknowledge that this Contract is funded in part or entirely by the Federal Government and the parties agree to comply with all sections of the **Federal Uniform Administrative Requirements 2 CFR Part 200 et seq.**, including, but not limited to, the following:

Please Note: Food Services Contracts

The Board of Education also procures goods and services paid from federal funds received by the school district as it pertains to the Food Services Department.

Contractors shall comply with the Board's Specifications and General Requirements for Food Services contracts and the following Federal Regulations:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| • National School Lunch Program | 7 CFR 210.21 |
| • School Breakfast Program | 7 CFR 220.16 |
| • Special Milk Program | 7 CFR 215.14(a) |
| • Summer Food Service Program | 7 CFR 225.17 |
| • Buy American | 7 CFR 210.21(d) |

Specific Contract Requirements

1. The Contractor shall comply with all aspects of the Board's Specifications and General Requirements for Public Works Contracts or Bid Specifications and General Requirements for Goods and Services Contracts as pertain to this Contract. In the event of a conflict between the said Specifications and General Requirements, the Public School Contracts Law at N.J.S.A. 18A: 18A-1 et seq. and Federal Procurement Regulations, the stricter requirements shall govern.
2. The Department of Education has the authority to require changes to this Contract and include remedies, changed conditions, access in records retention, suspension of work and other clauses approved by the Office of Federal Procurement Policy.
3. ALL CONTRACTS, AWARDED BY A RECIPIENT, INCLUDING SMALL PURCHASES, SHALL CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING PROVISIONS AS APPLICABLE:
 - A. ***Equal Employment Opportunity*** –*If the contract exceeds \$10,000, it shall contain a provision requiring compliance with E.O. 11246 -- Equal Employment Opportunity, as amended by E.O. 11375 -- Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity, and as supplemented by regulations at 41 CFR Part 60 -- Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor.*

Notice of Requirement for Affirmative Action to Ensure Equal Opportunity (Executive Order 11246)

1. The Offeror's or Bidder's attention is called to the "Equal Opportunity Clause" and the "Standard of Federal Equal Employment Specifications" set forth herein.
2. The goals and timetables for minority and female participation expressed in percentage terms for the Contractor's aggregate work force in each trade on all construction work in the covered area, are as follows:

(See Attachment A to this Addendum for goals and timetables for minorities and women.)

Contractor's compliance with Executive Order 11246 shall be based upon its implementation of the Equal Opportunity clause, specific affirmative action obligations required by the Standard Federal Equal Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications, as set forth in 41 CFR Part 60-4 and its efforts to meet the goals established for the geographical area where the Contract is to be performed. The hours of minority and female employment and training must be substantially uniform throughout the length of the Contract, and in each trade, and Contractor shall make a good faith effort to employ minorities and women evenly on each of its projects. The transfer of minority or female employees or trainees from Contractor to Contractor or from project to project for the sole purpose of meeting Contractor's goals shall be a violation of the Contract, the Executive Order, and the regulations in 41 CFR Part 60-4. Compliance with the goals will be measured against the total work hours performed.

3. The Contractor shall provide written notification to the Director of the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs within 10 working days of award of any construction subcontract in excess of \$10,000 at any tier for construction work under the contract resulting from this solicitation. The notification shall list the name, address and telephone number of the subcontractor; employer Identification number of the subcontractor; estimated dollar amount of the subcontract; estimated starting and completion dates of the subcontract; and the geographical area in which the subcontract is to be performed.
4. As used in this Notice, and in the contract resulting from this solicitation, the "covered area" is (insert description of the geographical areas where the contract is to be performed giving the state, county and city, if any).

[43 FR 49254, Oct. 20, 1978; 43 FR 51401, Nov. 3, 1978, as amended at 45 FR 65977, Oct. 3, 1980]

(a) The equal opportunity clause published at 41 CFR 60-1.4(a) of this chapter is required to be included in, and is part of, all nonexempt Federal contracts and subcontracts, including construction contracts and subcontracts. The equal opportunity clause published at 41 CFR 60- 1.4(b) is required to be included in, and is a part of, all nonexempt federally assisted construction contracts and subcontracts. In addition to the clauses described above, all Federal contracting officers, all applicants and all non-construction contractors, as applicable, shall include the specifications set forth in this section in all Federal and federally assisted construction contracts in excess of \$10,000 to be performed in geographical areas designated by the Director pursuant to §60-46 of this part and in construction subcontracts in excess of \$10,000 necessary in whole or In part to the performance of non-construction Federal contracts and subcontracts covered under the Executive order.

Standard Federal Equal Employment opportunity Construction Contract Specifications (Executive Order 11246)

1. As used in these specifications
 - a. "Covered area" means the geographical area described in the solicitation from which this contract resulted;
 - b. "Director" means Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, United States Department of Labor, or any person to whom the Director delegates authority;
 - c. "Employer identification number" means the Federal Social Security number used on the Employer's Quarterly Federal Tax Return, U.S. Treasury Department Form 941.
 - d. "Minority" includes

- (i) Black (all persons having origins in any of the Black African racial groups not of Hispanic origin);
- (ii) Hispanic (all persons of Mexican. Puerto Rican, Cuban. Central or South American or other Spanish Culture or origin, regardless of race);
- (iii) Asian and Pacific Islander (all persons having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East. Southeast Asia, the Indian Subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands); and
- (iv) American Indian or Alaskan Native (all persons having origins in any of the original peoples of North America and maintaining identifiable tribal affiliations through membership and participation or community identification)

2. Whenever the Contractor, or any Subcontractor at any tier, subcontracts a portion of the work Involving any construction trade, It shall physically include in each subcontract in excess of \$10,000 the provisions of these specifications and the Notice which contains the applicable goals for minority and female participation and which is set forth in the solicitations from which this contract resulted.

3. If the Contractor is participating (pursuant to 41 CFR 60-4.5) in a Hometown Plan approved by the US Department of Labor in the covered area either individually or through an association, its affirmative action obligations on all work in the Plan area (including goals and timetables) shall be in accordance with that Plan for those trades which have unions participating in the Plan. Contractors must be able to demonstrate their participation in and compliance with the provisions of any such Hometown Plan. Each

Contractor or Subcontractor participating in an approved Plan is individually required to comply with its obligations under the EEO clause, and to make a good faith effort to

achieve each goal under the Plan in each trade in which it has employees The overall good faith performance by other Contractors or Subcontractors toward a goal in an approved Plan does not excuse any covered Contractor's or Subcontractor's failure to take good faith efforts to achieve the Plan goals and timetables.

4. The Contractor shall implement the specific affirmative action standards provided in paragraphs 7 a through p of these specifications. The goals set forth in the solicitation from which this contract resulted are expressed as percentages of the total hours of employment and training of minority and female utilization the Contractor should reasonably be able to achieve in each construction trade in which it has employees in the covered area. Covered Construction contractors performing construction work in geographical areas where they do not have a Federal or federally assisted construction contract shall apply the minority and female goals established for the geographical area where the work is being performed Goals are published periodically in the Federal Register in notice form, and such notices may be obtained from any Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs office or from Federal procurement contracting officers The Contractor is expected to make substantially uniform progress in meeting its goals in each craft during the period specified.

5. Neither the provisions of any collective bargaining agreement, nor the failure by a union with whom the Contractor has a collective bargaining agreement, to refer either minorities or women shall excuse the Contractor's obligations under these specifications, Executive Order 11246, or the regulations promulgated pursuant thereto.

6. In order for the nonworking training hours of apprentices and trainees to be counted in meeting the goals, such apprentices and trainees must be employed by the Contractor during the

training period, and the Contractor must have made a commitment to employ the apprentices and trainees at the completion of their training, subject to the availability of employment opportunities. Trainees must be trained pursuant to training programs approved by the U.S. Department of Labor.

7. The Contractor shall take specific affirmative actions to ensure equal employment opportunity. The evaluation of the Contractor's compliance with these specifications shall be based upon its effort to achieve maximum results from its actions. The Contractor shall document these efforts fully, and shall implement affirmative action steps at least as extensive as the following:

- a. Ensure and maintain a working environment free of harassment, intimidation, and coercion at all sites, and in all facilities at which the Contractor's employees are assigned to work. The Contractor, where possible, will assign two or more women to each construction project. The Contractor shall specifically ensure that all foremen, superintendents, and other on-site supervisory personnel are aware of and carry out the Contractor's obligation to maintain such a working environment, with specific attention to minority or female individuals working at such sites or in such facilities.
- b. Establish and maintain a current list of minority and female recruitment sources, provide written notification to minority and female recruitment sources and to community organizations when the Contractor or its unions have employment opportunities available, and maintain a record of the organizations' responses.
- c. Maintain a current file of the names, addresses and telephone numbers of each minority and female off-the-street applicant and minority or female referral from a union, a recruitment source or community organization and of what action was taken with respect to each such individual. If such individual was sent to the union hiring hall for referral and was not referred back to the Contractor by the union or, if referred, not employed by the Contractor, this shall be documented in the file with the reason therefore, along with whatever additional actions the Contractor may have taken.
- d. Provide immediate written notification to the Director when the union or unions with which the Contractor has a collective bargaining agreement has not referred to the Contractor a minority person or woman sent by the Contractor, or when the Contractor has other information that the union referral process has impeded the Contractor's efforts to meet its obligations.
- e. Develop on-the-job training opportunities and/or participate in training programs for the area which expressly include minorities and women, including upgrading programs and apprenticeship and trainee programs relevant to the Contractor's employment needs, especially those programs funded or approved by the Department of Labor. The Contractor shall provide notice of these programs to the sources compiled under 7b above.
- f. Disseminate the Contractor's EEO policy by providing notice of the policy to unions and training programs and requesting their cooperation in assisting the Contractor in meeting its EEO obligations; by including it in any policy manual and collective bargaining agreement; by publicizing it in the company newspaper, annual report, etc.; by specific review of the policy with all management personnel and with all minority and female employees at least once a year; and by posting the company EEO policy on bulletin boards accessible to all employees at each location where construction work is performed.
- g. Review, at least annually, the company's EEO policy and affirmative action obligations under

these specifications with all employees having any responsibility for hiring, assignment, layoff, termination or other employment decisions including specific review of these items with onsite supervisory personnel such as Superintendents, General Foremen, etc., prior to the initiation of construction work at any job site. A written record shall be made and maintained identifying the time and place of these meetings, persons attending, subject matter discussed, and disposition of the subject matter.

- h. Disseminate the Contractor's EEO policy externally by including it in any advertising in the news media, specifically including minority and female news media, and providing written notification to and discussing the Contractor's EEO policy with other Contractors and Subcontractors with whom the Contractor does or anticipates doing business.
 - i. Direct its recruitment efforts, both oral and written, to minority, female and community organizations, to schools with minority and female students and to minority and female recruitment and training organizations serving the Contractor's recruitment area and employment needs. Not later than one month prior to the date for the acceptance of applications for apprenticeship or other training by any recruitment source, the Contractor shall send written notification to organizations such as the above, describing the openings, screening procedures, and tests to be used in the selection process.
 - j. Encourage present minority and female employees to recruit other minority persons and women and, where reasonable, provide after school, summer and vacation employment to minority and female youth both on the site and in other areas of a Contractor's work force.
 - k. Validate all tests and other selection requirements where there is an obligation to do so under 41 CFR Part 60-3.
 - l. Conduct, at least annually, an inventory and evaluation at least of all minority and female personnel for promotional opportunities and encourage these employees to seek or to prepare for, through appropriate training, etc., such opportunities
 - m. Ensure that seniority practices, job classifications, work assignments and other personnel practices, do not have a discriminatory effect by continually monitoring all personnel and employment related activities to ensure that the EEO policy and the Contractor's obligations under these specifications are being carried out.
 - n. Ensure that all facilities and company activities are non-segregated except that separate or single-user toilet and necessary changing facilities shall be provided to assure privacy between the sexes.
 - o. Document and maintain a record of all solicitations of offers for subcontracts from minority and female construction contractors and suppliers, including circulation of solicitations to minority and female contractor associations and other business associations.
 - p. Conduct a review, at least annually, of all supervisors' adherence to and performance under the Contractor's EEO policies and affirmative action obligations.
8. Contractors are encouraged to participate in voluntary associations which assist in fulfilling one or more of their affirmative action obligations (7a through p). The efforts of a contractor association, joint contractor-union, contractor-community, or other similar group of which the contractor is a member and participant, may be asserted as fulfilling anyone or more of its obligations under 7a through p of these Specifications provided that the contractor actively participates in the group, makes every effort to assure that the group has a positive impact on the

employment of minorities and women in the industry, ensures that the concrete benefits of the program are reflected in the Contractor's minority and female workforce participation, makes a good faith effort to meet its individual goals and timetables, and can provide access to documentation which demonstrates the effectiveness of actions taken on behalf of the Contractor. The obligation to comply, however, is the Contractor's and failure of such a group to fulfill an obligation shall not be a defense for the Contractor's noncompliance.

9. A single goal for minorities and a separate single goal for women have been established. The Contractor, however, is required to provide equal employment opportunity and to take affirmative action for all minority groups, both male and female, and all women, both minority and non-minority. Consequently, the Contractor may be in violation of the Executive Order if a particular group is employed in a substantially disparate manner (for example, even though the Contractor has achieved its goals for women generally, the Contractor may be in violation of the Executive Order if a specific minority group of women is underutilized).

10. The Contractor shall not use the goals and timetables or affirmative action standards to discriminate against any person because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

11. The Contractor shall not enter into any Subcontract with any person or firm debarred from Government contracts pursuant to Executive Order 11246.

12. The Contractor shall carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of these specifications and of the Equal Opportunity Clause, including suspension, termination and cancellation of existing subcontracts as may be imposed or ordered pursuant to Executive Order 11246, as amended, and its implementing regulations, by the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs. Any Contractor who fails to carry out such sanctions and penalties shall be in violation of these specifications and Executive Order 11246, as amended.

13. The Contractor, in fulfilling its obligations under these specifications, shall implement specific affirmative action steps, at least as extensive as those standards prescribed in paragraph 7 of these specifications, so as to achieve maximum results from its efforts to ensure equal employment opportunity. If the Contractor fails to comply with the requirements of the Executive Order, the implementing regulations, or these specifications, the Director shall proceed in accordance with 41 CFR 60-4.8.

14. The Contractor shall designate a responsible official to monitor all employment related activity to ensure that the company EEO policy is being carried out, to submit reports relating to the provisions hereof as may be required by the Government and to keep records. Records shall at least include for each employee the name, address, telephone numbers, construction trade, union affiliation if any, employee identification number when assigned, social security number, race, sex, status (e.g., mechanic, apprentice trainee, helper, or laborer), dates of changes in status, hours worked per week in the indicated trade, rate of pay, and locations at which the work was performed. Records shall be maintained in an easily understandable and retrievable form; however, to the degree that existing records satisfy this requirement, contractors shall not be required to maintain separate records.

15. Nothing herein provided shall be construed as a limitation upon the application of other laws which establish different standards of compliance or upon the application of requirements for the hiring of local or other area residents (e.g., those under the Public Works Employment Act of 1977 and the Community Development Block Grant Program).

(b) The notice set forth in 41 CFR 60-42 and the specifications set forth in 41 CFR 60-43 replace the New Form for Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Bid Conditions for Federal and

Federally Assisted Construction published at 41 FR 32482 and commonly known as the Model Federal EEO Bid Conditions, and the New Form shall not be used after the regulations in 41 CFR Part 60-4 become effective.

[43 FR 49254, Oct 20, 1978; 43 FR 51401, Nov 3, 1978, as amended at 45 FR 65978, Oct. 3, 1980]

These goals are applicable to all the Contractor's construction work (whether or not it is Federal or federally assisted/performed in the covered area). If the Contractor performs construction work in a geographical area located outside of the covered area, it shall apply the goals established for such geographical area where the work is actually performed. With regard to this second area, the contractor also is subject to the goals for both its federally involved and non-federally involved construction.

Small Minority and Women's Businesses.

If the Contractor intends to let any subcontracts for a portion of the work, Contractor shall take affirmative steps to assure that small, minority and women's businesses are used when possible as sources of supplies, equipment, construction and services. Affirmative steps shall consist of: (1) including qualified small, minority, and women's businesses on solicitation lists; (2) assuring that small, minority, and women's businesses are solicited whenever they are potential sources; (3) dividing total requirements when economically feasible, into small tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation of small, minority, and women's businesses; (4) establishing delivery schedules, where the requirements of the work permit, which will encourage participation by small, minority and women's businesses; (5) using the services and assistance of the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the United States Department of Commerce; and (7) Contractor is encouraged to procure goods and services from labor surplus area firms.

- B. *Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act* (18 U.S.C. 874 and 40 U.S.C. 276c) --** All contracts and subgrants in excess of \$2,000 for construction or repairs awarded by recipients and sub-recipients must include a provision for compliance with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (18 U.S.C. 874), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3 -- Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States). The Act provides that each contractor or sub-recipient shall be prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he is otherwise entitled. The recipient shall report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency.
- C. *Davis-Bacon Act, as amended* (40 U.S.C. 276a to a-7) --** When required by Federal program legislation, all construction contracts awarded by the recipients and sub-recipients of more than \$2,000 shall include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 276a to a-7) and as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5 -- Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Governing Federally Financed and Assisted Construction). Under this Act, contractors shall be required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the minimum wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor.

In addition, contractors shall be required to pay wages not less than once a week. The recipient shall place a copy of the current prevailing wage determination issued by the Department of Labor in each solicitation and the award of a contract shall be conditioned upon the acceptance of the wage determination. The recipient shall report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency.

- D. **Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 327-333)** -- Where applicable, all contracts awarded by recipients in excess of \$2,000 for construction contracts and in excess of \$2500 for other contracts that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers must include a provision for compliance with Sections 102 and 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 327-333), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under Section 102 of the Act, each contractor shall be required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than 1½ times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. Section 107 of the Act is applicable to construction work and provides that no laborer or mechanic shall be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous, or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence.
- E. **Rights to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Agreement** -- Contracts or agreements for the performance of experimental, developmental, or research work must provide for the rights of the Federal Government and the recipient in any resulting invention in accordance with 37 CFR Part 401 -- Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements, and any implementing regulations promulgated by the awarding agency.
- F. **Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.)**, as amended-Contracts and sub-grants of amounts in excess of \$100,000 shall contain a provision that requires the recipient to agree to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.). Violations shall be reported to ED and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).
- G. **Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S. C. 1352)** -- Contractors who apply or bid for an award of \$100,000 or more shall file the attached certification. **(See Attachment B to this Addendum)**. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant, or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Each tier shall also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. The disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the recipient.
- H. **Debarment and Suspension (E.O. 12549 and E.O. 12689)** – A contract award (see 2 CFR 180.220) must not be made to parties listed on the government wide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 CFR 180 that implement Executive Orders 12549 (3 CFR part 1986 Comp., p. 189) and 12689 (3 CFR part 1989 Comp., p 235). Debarment and Suspension. **SAM Exclusions** contains the names of parties debarred, suspended or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549. (Ref. 2 CFR 200.212) **(See Attachment C to this Addendum)**
- I. Contractors with awards that exceed the small purchase threshold must provide the required certification regarding its exclusion status and that of its principal employees. (Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1221e-3, 3474; OMB Circular A-110)

- J. The Contractor and the Board shall comply with environmental standards and policies related to energy efficiency which are contained in the State Energy Conservation Plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (PUB.L.94-163, 89 STAT.871).

4. STANDARDS (CODE) OF CONDUCT; CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS/GRATUITIES

The LAKEWOOD Board of Education pursuant to **Federal Regulation 2CFR 200.318 (c) (1), and N.J.S.A. 18A:12-21 et seq.**, hereby establishes the following *Standards of Conduct; Conflict of Interests* in the selection, award and administration of contracts using federal funds.

Conflict of Interest

No employee, officer, or agent of the LAKEWOOD Board of Education may participate in the selection, award, or administration of a contract supported by a Federal award if he or she has a real or apparent conflict of interest. Such a conflict of interest would arise when the employee, officer, or agent, any member of his or her immediate family, his or her partner, or an organization which employs or is about to employ any of the parties indicated herein, has a financial or other interest in or a tangible personal benefit from a firm considered for a contract.

No person officially connected with, or employed in, the LAKEWOOD Board of Education shall be an agent for, or be in any way pecuniary or beneficially interested in, or receive any compensation or reward of any kind for, the sale of any textbooks, school apparatus or supplies of any kind, for use in the school district with which he is connected or by which he is employed or within the state or part thereof over which his jurisdiction extends, upon penalty of removal from office or of revocation of his certificate to teach or to administer, direct or supervise the teaching, instruction or educational guidance of pupils in the public schools, but the prohibition of this section shall not prevent any person from receiving royalties upon the sale of any textbook of which he is the author. N.J.S.A. 18A:6-8

No school official shall act in his official capacity in any matter where he, a member of his immediate family, or a business organization in which he has an interest, has a direct or indirect financial involvement that might reasonably be expected to impair his objectivity or independence of judgment. No school official shall act in his official capacity in any matter where he or a member of his immediate family has a personal involvement that is or creates some benefit to the school official or member of his immediate family. N.J.S.A. 18A:12-24 (c)

Solicitation/Receipt/Acceptance of Gifts and Gratuities from Contractors

The officers, employees, and agents of the LAKEWOOD Board of Education may neither solicit nor accept gratuities, favors, or anything of monetary value from contractors or parties to subcontracts.

School board members, school officials and employees, or members of their immediate family are prohibited from soliciting, receiving or agreeing to receive any compensation, reward, employment, gift, meal, honorarium, travel, reimbursement, favor, loan, service, or other thing of value from any person, firm, corporation, partnership, or business that is a recipient of a purchase order from the district, or a potential bidder, or an applicant for any contract with the district, based upon an understanding that what is solicited or offered was for the purpose of influencing the board member or school employee in the discharge of their official duties. N.J.S.A. 18A:12-24 (e)

Contractor/Vendor Responsibility – Doing Business with the Board of Education

Any vendor doing business or proposing to do business with the LAKEWOOD Board of Education, shall neither pay, offer to pay, either directly or indirectly, any fee, commission, or compensation, nor offer any gift, gratuity, or other thing of value of any kind to any official or employee of the Board or to any member of the official's or employee's immediate family. No vendor shall cause to influence or attempt

to cause to influence, any official or employee of the Board, in any manner which might tend to impair the objectivity or independence of judgment of said official or employee.

Disciplinary Actions for Violations of Standards

Officers, employees and agents of the LAKEWOOD Board of Education who violate the standards of conduct, shall be subject to administrative disciplinary actions which may lead to suspension of employment; removal of office and revocation of his certificate to teach or administer in the State of New Jersey.

5. STEVENS AMENDMENT

The LAKEWOOD Board of Education recognizes its obligation as it pertains to the Stevens Amendment, Section 8136 of the Department of Defense Appropriations Act (P.L. 104-134, Sec.507) which requires the board of education to state clearly the

- Percentage of the total cost of the project that will be financed with federal money;
- Dollar amount of federal funds for the project; and
- Percentage and dollar amount of the total cost of the project that will be financed by non-government sources (if any).

The above statements shall be made in all press releases, requests for proposals, bid solicitations and other documents or announcement describing the project.

***Complete, Sign &
Return***

ATTACHMENT A

***Complete, Sign &
Return***

Goals and Timetables for Minorities and Women

Construction Projects ONLY

Please complete and sign:

- ☐ Applicable – Please provide goals and timetables; complete below
☐ Not Applicable – Check off and complete below

Name of Company: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Signature: _____

**Complete, Sign &
Return**

ATTACHMENT B
CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

**Complete, Sign &
Return**

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- (1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- (2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions.
- (3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

Statement for Loan Guarantees and Loan Insurance

The undersigned states, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

If any funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this commitment providing for the United States to insure or guarantee a loan, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions. Submission of this statement is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required statement shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

*** APPLICANT'S ORGANIZATION**

*** PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE**

Prefix: * First Name: Middle Name:
*Last Name: Suffix:
*Title:

*SIGNATURE: *DATE:

**Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and
Voluntary Exclusion -- Lower Tier Covered Transactions**

This certification is required by the Department of Education regulations implementing Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension, 2 CFR 200.212 , for all lower tier transactions meeting the threshold and tier requirements stated at Section 200.212.

Instructions for Certification

1. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out below.
2. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension *and/or* debarment.
3. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances
4. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "lower tier covered transaction," "participant," "person," "primary covered transaction," "principal," "proposal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
5. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.
6. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled A Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility, and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transactions without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may but is not required to, check the Nonprocurement List.
8. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
9. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension *and/or* debarment.

Certification	
(1)	The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.
(2)	Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.
NAME OF APPLICANT	PR/AWARD NUMBER AND/OR PROJECT NAME
PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE	
SIGNATURE	DATE

SUPPLEMENT TO STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR PUBLIC WORKS

The Construction Contract with the Board shall contain the following provisions:

- b. The Contractor shall post a maintenance bond with a term of two (2) years to protect the Board against faulty materials or defective work that shall appear within a period of two (2) years from the date of final payment or acceptance of the work by the Board, whichever is later.
- c. If the Contractor shall fail to perform any aspect of the work in accordance with the requirements of the Contract, the Board may, upon five (5) days written notice to the Contractor and without prejudice to its other rights and remedies under the Contract, the Public School Contracts Law, and applicable rules and regulations, correct the defective work and deduct the cost thereof from payment due or to become due the Contractor.
- d. The Board may withhold all or part of a payment to the Contractor for defective work not remedied.
- e. The Board has the right to terminate the Contract if the Contractor repeatedly refuses to perform the terms and conditions of the Contract or if the Contractor violates or disregards federal, state and local laws or, the directives of the Board or its Contract Administrator. The Board, upon the written recommendation of its Contract Administrator that sufficient cause exists to justify such termination, shall provide the Contractor with seven (7) days written notice of termination of the Contract containing the reasons for the termination, the effective date and may finish the work with another Contractor or take other remedies that may be legally available and the Contractor shall not be entitled to any further payment.
- f. If the expense of completing the work exceeds the unpaid balance of the Contract, the Contractor shall pay the difference to the Board.
- g. The Board may upon seven (7) days written notice to the Contractor and at any time after the execution of this Contract, terminate or reduce the services of the Contractor to be undertaken hereunder for any reason, including but not limited to, the Board's convenience, abandonment of the project, or the unavailability of funds to complete the work. In the event of such termination, the Contractor shall be compensated for its approved services performed hereunder up to the date of termination, and for all reasonable costs of termination as agreed to by the parties, except for lost profits, and damages of any kind, including claims of interference with lost business advantage.
- h. All claims or disputes under the Contract between the Parties shall be submitted to the alternative dispute resolution process in Exhibit B of the Construction Contract at the selection of either party to the dispute as attached hereto and made a part hereof.