REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
2022.02

CONTRACTED EDUCATIONAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
AND INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES

Issued by:

SWEENY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Closing:

THURSDAY, 29 JUNE, 2023
4 PM
The Sweeny ISD CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER is accepting proposals for CONTRACTED EDUCATIONAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES. Please submit Bid Forms A through H and the bid solicitation forms with the proposal. The bid may be awarded to multiple vendors.

Proposals will be received by THURSDAY, 29 JUNE, 2023, at 4:00 PM, at:

SWEENY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
% DR. LISA DAVIS, CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER
1310 NORTH ELM STREET
SWEENY, TEXAS 77480

Proposals will include on the outside of the envelope/packet:

CONTRACTED EDUCATION PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
AND INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES, RFP 2022.02

Please provide one (1) copy marked “ORIGINAL” and two (2) copies each marked “COPY”.

The CONTRACTED EDUCATIONAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES bid forms (A through H) and bid documents are available on the Sweeny ISD website at www.sweenyisd.org under Departments / Business Office / Bids and Proposals.

Proposals will not be publicly opened. Any proposals received later than the specified time, whether delivered in person or mailed, will be deemed late and will be disqualified. FAXed proposals will not be accepted.

After the evaluation of all proposals is completed, a vendor may or may not be recommended to the Sweeny ISD Board of Trustees at a scheduled meeting. If approval is granted by the Board of Trustees or its designee, a notification award will be emailed to the qualifying proposers.

The Sweeny ISD reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to accept any proposal deemed most advantageous to the district.

If additional information should be required, questions should be submitted to:

DR. LISA DAVIS, CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER
ldavis@sweenyisd.org
979-491-8082
The undersigned authorized representative of the vendor indicated below hereby acknowledges:

1. That s/he is authorized to enter into contractual relationships on behalf of the company listed below, and
2. That s/he has carefully examined this bid notice, the accompanying bid forms, and the general terms and conditions and item specifications associated with this bid invitation, and
3. That s/he proposes to supply any products or services submitted under this bid invitation at the prices quoted and in strict compliance with the general terms and conditions and item specifications associated with this bid invitation, unless any exceptions are noted in writing with this bid response, and
4. By submitting this bid, each bidder agrees to waive any claim it has or may have against the Sweeny Independent School District and their respective employees, arising out of or in connection with the administration, evaluation, or recommendation of any bid, waiver of any requirements under the bid documents; or the contract documents; acceptance or rejection of any bids; and award of the contract, and
5. Offeror agrees to exhaust its administrative remedies under district policy and the disputes clause of any resulting contract before seeking judicial relief of any type in connection with any matter related to this solicitation, the award of any contract, and any dispute under any resulting contract.

_____________________________  ________________________________
Name of Bidding Company      Date

_____________________________  ________________________________
Address                        Signature of Authorized Representative

_____________________________  ________________________________
City, State, ZIP Code           Printed Name of Authorized Representative

_____________________________
Contact Name

_____________________________
Telephone Number of Contact Person

_____________________________
Email Address of Contact Person
The Sweeny ISD CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER is accepting proposals for the purchase of CONTRACTED EDUCATIONAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES. Proposals are due on THURSDAY, 29 JUNE, 2023, at 4:00 PM, at SWEENY ISD ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, % DR. LISA DAVIS, CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER, 1310 NORTH ELM STREET, SWEENY, TEXAS, 77480. Please submit forms A through H and bid documents with the proposal. All documents are available at www.sweenyisd.org under Departments / Business Office / Bids and Proposals.

All materials and equipment should be new and include installation, disconnecting existing equipment for placement of new equipment, freight and shipping in the bid price. All equipment and materials must be in current compliance with all state and local code requirements.

Scope of Work

The Sweeny ISD CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER is seeking CONTRACTED EDUCATIONAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES according to the specifics listed in this solicitation.

Vendors will itemize bid pricing.

Pricing shall be held firm for one (1) year from the date the bid is awarded by the Sweeny ISD.

An awarded vendor will coordinate services, delivery, and/or installation with the Sweeny ISD. At no time will the vendor access a school campus without the Sweeny ISD's approval or knowledge.

Proposal Submission

Proposal will include on the outside of the envelope/packet:

CONTRACTED EDUCATIONAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
AND INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES: RFP 2022.02

Please provide one (1) copy marked “ORIGINAL” and two (2) copies each marked “COPY”.

Brands

Bidders shall indicate for each item bid the name and model of the brand being bid. An example of the brand desired may be provided for each item contained in this bid. This is done to provide the bidder with information regarding the nature and quality of the materials required and is not meant to restrict bidding to that particular brand. However, if the item bid varies from the one described, descriptive written details for the product to sufficiently describe the equipment for evaluation must accompany the submitted bid. Bids received without this information or with
insufficient information, as determined by the Sweeny ISD, will not be considered. Once an item is awarded from this bid to a successful bidder, no substitution of brands will be permitted.

If the bidder does not indicate that an item proposed to be furnished is other than specified, the specified item shall be supplied by the bidder upon issuance of a purchase order.

All bid items shall include equipment's base price, disconnection of existing equipment, installation, freight and shipping, and any necessary equipment removal cost. The vendor shall provide lead time for delivery and installation once a purchase order has been issued.

Awarded vendors shall be responsible for activating all manufacturer warranties. All warranty information will be forwarded to the Sweeny ISD CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER.

Please see equipment description of required voltage/electrical supply.

The Sweeny ISD reserves the right to increase or decrease quantities, as necessary.

Bid prices must be firm for one year from the date of award for bid to be considered.

Please include insurance certificates with your bid. Failure to do so may result in non-award.

**Evaluation Factors**

When deemed necessary, responses shall be evaluated by a committee designated by the Sweeny ISD. The district will generally award contracts on the basis of best value. Awards will be made to the best responsive, responsible offer, price, and other factors considered. In determining the best value for the district, the district is not restricted to considering price alone. In awarding a contract, the district shall consider: 1. Purchase price; 2. Reputation of the vendor and the vendor's goods or services; 3. Quality of the vendor's goods or services; 4. Extent to which the goods or services meet the district's needs; 5. Vendor's past relationship with the district; 6. Impact on the ability of the district to comply with laws relating to historically underutilized businesses; 7. Total long-term cost to the district to acquire the goods or services. Evaluations may include any other relevant factor specifically listed in the request for bids or proposals (TEC 44.031b). Although all evaluation criteria listed above may be considered by the district, the district will decide which criteria will determine the successful bidder to be considered for contract award.

When an evaluation is applicable, an evaluation committee will conduct a comprehensive, fair, and impartial evaluation of all proposals received in response to this RFP.

Each proposal received will be analyzed to determine overall responsiveness and completeness as defined in the scope section and in the instructions on submitting a proposal. Failure to comply with the instructions or to submit a complete proposal may deem a proposal
non-responsive and may at the discretion of the evaluation committee be eliminated from further evaluation.

If the evaluation committee has reasonable grounds to believe that the proposer is unable to perform the required services to the satisfaction of the Sweeny ISD, the Sweeny ISD reserves the right to make an award to another proposer. Some indicators, but not a complete list, of probable supplier/proposer performance concerns are: past supplier performance; the proposer’s financial resources and ability to perform; the proposer’s experience or demonstrated capability and responsibility; and the supplier’s ability to provide a reliable ongoing business relationship and the maintenance of ongoing agreements and support.

The solicitation evaluation criteria will be based on:

1. Up to 50 points - Purchase price
2. Up to 30 points - Extent to which the goods or services meet the district's needs
3. Up to 10 points - Vendor's ability to provide service on equipment following installation
4. Up to 10 points - Vendor's past relationship with district

100 Total possible criteria points
Forms Checklist

_____ Standard Terms and Conditions
_____ Form A: Vendor Profile
_____ Form B: Felony Conviction Notice
_____ Form C: Certificate of Residency
_____ Form D: Conflict of Interest Notice
_____ Conflict of Interest Questionnaire
_____ Form E: Affidavit of Non-Collusion, Non-Conflict of Interest, Anti-Lobbying
_____ Form F: Affidavit of Non-Discriminatory Employment
_____ Form G: Suspension and Debarment Certification
_____ Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility, Voluntary Exclusion
_____ Form H: Hold Harmless Agreement
_____ Form I: Bid Form
_____ Proof of Insurance
_____ Form J: Deviation / Signature Page
_____ Form K: Proposer/Vendor Certification
_____ JB 89 and SB 252 Certification Addendum
_____ Implementation of HB 1295

_____ 1295 - Certificate of Interested Parties
\textit{If contract exceeds $50,000, Form 1295 must be filed online with the Texas Ethics Commission at \url{www.ethics.state.tx.us}.}

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STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Facts, Statistics, and Definitions

1. The Sweeny ISD, also referred to as "the District" or "SISD", currently has almost 2,000 students with campuses consisting of one PK-5 elementary school, one 6-8 junior high school, and one 9-12 high school, along with an alternative education facility.

2. Throughout the standard terms and conditions, the district will make use of the term "bid". Use of this term should be considered descriptive and is intended to reference all procurement options currently used by the district. This includes bids, sealed proposals, requests for proposals, requests for qualifications and formal quotes. The terms and conditions herein apply to all procurement methods the district may use.

Bid Submittal

3. Vendors must include the properly executed bid forms, attachments, and addenda, as specified in the bid documents. Responses that do not include all requested information may be disqualified.

4. All prices and quotations must be typed or written in black or blue ink. Mistakes may be crossed out, the correction inserted adjacent, and the correction must be initialed. In case of calculation errors, unit price shall govern.

5. It is understood that quantities, where listed, are to be considered estimated needs only. Sweeny ISD reserves the right to increase or decrease quantities ordered, as needed.

6. Bids are to be sealed and clearly labeled “original” or “copy” and must include the bid number, bid title, due date, and time of opening. Failure to follow these instructions may result in rejection of bid.

7. The Sweeny ISD will not accept late or FAXed bids. The Sweeny ISD is not responsible for bids delivered incorrectly or misplaced bids. The date/time stamp at the Sweeny ISD Administration Building shall be the official time of receipt.

8. All bids shall be deemed final. No offer shall be subject to correction or amendment for errors or miscalculations after the bid deadline. Bids may be withdrawn or amended until the date and time due, at which time they become the sole property of the Sweeny Independent School District.

9. The Sweeny ISD reserves the right to request additional or clarifying information after the bid response has been submitted. This information may be used to further evaluate the response or qualify overall cost associated with a proposed solution.

10. Any problems or discrepancies that are discovered in relation to this bid process should be directed to the SISD CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER for a determination or clarification prior to the bid due date. If the vendor fails to make such request, no excuse will thereafter be entertained for failure to carry out the work in a satisfactory manner.

11. If any of the information is considered to be confidential or a trade secret belonging to the vendor and, if released, would give advantage to a competitor or vendor, that information should be filed with the submittal in a separate envelope marked "Confidential - Do Not Duplicate Without Permission". Acceptance of such materials
does not constitute an admission by the SISD that the materials are confidential or a trade secret. (GC, Art 252.049)

12. Samples, if applicable or when requested, shall be furnished at no cost to the Sweeney ISD. If not destroyed during the evaluation, samples will be returned to the bidder upon request at the bidder’s expense. If no return request is received within seven (7) days of bid award, the sample may be destroyed.

13. Bidders are expected to fully inform themselves as to the conditions, requirements and specifications before submitting bids. Failure to do so will be at the bidder’s own risk and bidder cannot secure relief on the plea of error.

14. Any catalog, brand name, or manufacturer’s reference used herein is intended to be descriptive, not restrictive. It is used to indicate the type and quality desired. Bids on items of like quality will be considered. The Sweeny ISD retains sole authority to determine if items being bid are of like quality and to accept or reject proposed substitutions as deemed to be in the best interests of the district.

15. The apparent silence of these specifications as to any detail or the apparent omission of detailed descriptions concerning any point shall be regarded as meaning that only the best commercial practices are to prevail. All interpretations of these specifications shall be made on the basis of this statement.

16. Withdrawal of bids will not be allowed for a period of ninety (90) days following the bid opening.

**Deviations from Specifications**

17. All deviations from the general conditions and/or specifications must be listed on the deviations page of this bid document. Listing of deviations is an integral and required part of the official bid of each firm. Failure to list deviations as directed will hold the bidder strictly accountable to the district’s specifications as listed. The SISD shall be the sole interpreter as to the acceptance of any substitution. All substitutions must be pre-approved by the Sweeny ISD.

**Award of Contract**

18. The Sweeny ISD reserves the right to award the contract to the vendor offering the best value, and not necessarily to the vendor proposing the lowest price. However, the district reserves the right to award single or multiple contracts, waive technicalities, or to not award any contracts as a result of this bid process. The SISD reserves the right to award in any manner deemed to be in the best interest of the district.

19. The specific criteria to be used for evaluation and award of this contract shall be outlined under the special terms and conditions.

20. It is not the policy of the Sweeny Independent School District to purchase on the basis of low price alone.

21. Vendors submitting an “all or none” bid will not be considered for anything other than the entire award. Therefore, a vendor who specifies “all or none” and does not submit a bid for all items solicited will be deemed non-responsive.
22. Successful vendors will be notified by an award notification letter.
23. The Sweeny ISD reserves the right to accept or reject any or all offers, to waive any formalities, and to accept the offers determined to be in the best interest of the district.
24. These conditions are applicable and form a part of any contract documents resulting from this bid process, including purchase orders. In case of conflict, the bid documents shall take precedence.
25. If during the life of the contract the successful bidder’s net prices to other customers for items awarded herein are reduced below the contracted price, it is understood and agreed that the benefits of such reduction shall be extended to the Sweeny ISD.
26. During the term of the contract, items that may not have been included on the initial bid may be included by mutual consent of the awarded vendor and the district.
27. Unless otherwise specified within these documents, the Sweeny ISD appoints the CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER as contract administrator with designated responsibility to ensure compliance with contract requirements.
28. Prices and discounts are to remain firm for one (1) year from date of award, unless otherwise specified.
29. If this is a renewable contract, the SISD reserves the right to extend the prices, terms, and conditions of this contract with any or all vendors that agree to a contract extension. The prices, terms, and conditions of this agreement will govern all extensions and renewals with vendors, unless mutually amended in writing and duly authorized by both parties.
30. Successful bidder agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the Sweeny ISD and all its officers, agents, and employees from any and all claims or liabilities regarding death, injuries, or property damages arising out of vendor’s activities under this agreement. Successful bidder shall pay any judgment with costs which may be obtained against the Sweeny ISD for such damages.
31. The successful bidder shall not sell, assign, transfer, or convey this contract in whole or in part without the prior written consent of the Sweeny ISD CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER. Payment can only be made to vendors awarded as a result of this bid.
32. Vendor agrees to provide and pay for all labor, materials, and equipment necessary for the proper execution and completion of work under this agreement.
33. Vendor shall secure and pay for any fees, licenses, or permits necessary for the successful completion and proper execution of the work, be it community, city, county, or state requirement.
34. Vendor shall at all times enforce strict discipline and good order among its employees and shall not employ on the work site any unfit person or anyone not skilled in the required tasks.
35. Vendor shall at all times keep the premises free from accumulation of waste materials or rubbish caused by its operations.
36. Vendor agrees that all work related to this contract shall be done as an independent contractor and that the persons doing such work shall not be considered employees of the district. Seller shall maintain all necessary insurance coverage as required by statute as well as any additional coverage specifically required within this bid document.
37. Upon receipt of written deficiency notice, contractor shall have ten (10) days to provide a satisfactory response to the SISD. Failure to adequately address all issues of concern may result in contract cancellation.

Deliveries

38. Deliveries of in stock merchandise shall be made within four (4) business days of receiving the purchase order. If delivery cannot be made within the required days, then notice must be given to the SISD with an expected delivery date.

39. If the vendor is unable to deliver within thirty (30) days from the date of the purchase order, or in the manner specified in the contract, the Sweeny ISD reserves the right to purchase like goods on the open market and charge the difference to the vendor, deduct charges from existing invoice totals due at the time, or cancel the contract unless:
   a. Prior approval is given for an extended delivery date by the department affected,
   b. The purchase order states an extended date,
   c. The merchandise ordered by the SISD is lost in shipment and the SISD is advised and agrees to accept a later delivery date,
   d. The vendor takes exception to the thirty (30) day requirement and specifically addresses the required time frame for delivery of specific goods or services on the deviation page provided within this proposal.

40. All deliveries shall be shipped FOB to the Sweeny ISD and shall include inside delivery in the bid price. The SISD will accept responsibility for deliveries after final inspection and acceptance of said items. If the quoted delivery terms do not include transportation costs, the Sweeny ISD shall have the right to designate what method of transportation shall be used to ship the goods.

41. The title and risk of loss of the goods shall not pass to the Sweeny ISD unless the SISD actually receives and takes possession of the goods in good order at the point of delivery.

42. All items shall be subject to inspection and rejection by the SISD for defects or noncompliance with the purchase order. If for any reason any item is rejected, proposing vendor will cover all shipping costs to and from the Sweeny ISD. Rejected items not picked up within one (1) week after notification will become a donation to the Sweeny ISD for disposition.

Ordering

43. All orders must be accompanied by a purchase order or purchase order number. Ordering shall be allowed by phone, FAX, email, in person, or by mail as long as the purchase order number is provided.

44. The Sweeny ISD is not liable for orders accepted without a valid purchase order. Payment will not be made for services rendered or goods provided without a valid district purchase order. Failure to observe this requirement may result in contract termination.

Payment
45. Sellers shall submit separate invoices on each purchase order after each delivery. Invoices shall indicate the purchase order number and bid number and shall be itemized, and transportation charges shall be listed separately. Invoices should detail all work performed and materials provided by date and quantity.

46. Invoices should be mailed to the Sweeny Independent School District, Attention: Business Office, 1310 North Elm Street, Sweeny, TX 77480. Payment shall not be due until the above instruments are submitted after delivery. Suppliers should keep the Business Office advised of any changes in your remittance address.

47. Do not include federal excise, state, or city sales tax. The Sweeny ISD is exempt from payment of these taxes and will furnish a tax exemption certificate, if requested.

48. The SISD agrees to pay the supplier within thirty (30) days after receipt of uncontested invoices for the receipt of all supplies, aids, or equipment, or the day on which services were completed, or the day on which the invoice was received, whichever is later.

49. The SISD agrees to notify the supplier of an error or contested invoice. The SISD and supplier hereby agree to mutually resolve disputed invoices within sixty (60) days of receipt of notice of the dispute.

**Interpretation**

50. The SISD shall be sole interpreter of the terms, conditions, specifications, and performance requirements contained herein.

**Warranty and Returns**

51. Warranty conditions for all supplies and equipment shall be considered manufacturer's minimum standard warranty unless otherwise agreed to in writing. Vendor shall be an authorized dealer, distributor, or manufacturer for the product. Equipment proposals received shall be for new equipment only. Equipment refers to all hardware, software, materials, and incidentals, etc. Substitutions for new equipment must be clearly stated in writing. Warranty period will be deemed to commence upon delivery and acceptance of the goods or services by the SISD.

52. Vendor expressly warrants that all goods or services furnished under this agreement shall conform to all specifications and appropriate standards and shall be free from defects in material or workmanship. Vendor warrants that all such goods or services shall conform to any statements made on the containers or labels or advertisements for such goods or services and that any goods will be adequately contained, packaged, marked, and labeled.

53. The Sweeny ISD reserves the right to return damaged, defective, or materials shipped in error at the vendor's expense for exchange or credit at the district's option within thirty (30) working school days of receipt of such materials.

54. Merchandise received from a vendor shall be new not used or shop worn.

55. All items must meet OSHA standards of compliance and be asbestos free.

56. All items which use electrical currents must be UL Listing approved.
57. The Sweeny ISD will not accept “factory seconds” or otherwise inferior goods and reserves the right to return such items within thirty (30) days of receipt at vendor’s expense.

Termination of Agreement

58. This contract may be terminated by the SISD for cause or convenience within a thirty (30) day written notice. In the event of cancellation, the district will not be held responsible for any termination expenses incurred by the bidder.

59. Loss of funding shall constitute grounds for termination of the parties’ contractual relationship by the SISD in whole or in part without penalty, pecuniary risk, or further liability to the SISD.

60. In the event of the proposal expires before a mutually agreed contract renewed is executed, vendor shall extend the contract on a month-to-month basis by mutual agreement.

Penalties for Non-Performance

61. If the vendor or its subcontractors fail to fulfill or abide by the terms, conditions, or specifications of the contract including price, The Sweeny ISD’s remedies include but are not limited to:
   a. Purchase on the open market and change the proposing vendor the difference between contract and atual price, or
   b. Deduct charges from existing invoice totals due at the time, or
   c. Cancel the contract with thirty (30) days written notice, or
   d. Award to the next lowest responsible vendor, if acceptable to the SISD.

Notification of Criminal History of Contractor, Employees, and Sub-Contractor

62. The attached criminal history form must be completed and returned as part of this bid, as applicable.

63. All vendor employees who will have direct contact with students shall supply information required by TEC 22.0834 to the appropriate authorities. Under no circumstances shall vendor be allowed to use employees, agents, or subcontractors on district property who have been convicted of a felony or a crime involving sexual misconduct. Vendor shall require all employees, agents, and subcontractors to comply with campus access policies, designated parking policies, and other requirements necessary to comply with TEC 22.0834.

64. The awarded vendor shall insure that all entities with which it contracts shall supply information regarding criminal records history of any employee, agent, or consultant who shall be present of the Sweeny ISD property at any time.

Uniform Commercial Code
65. If applicable, this agreement shall be governed by the Uniform Commercial Code. Wherever the Uniform Commercial Code is used, it shall be construed as meaning the Uniform Commercial Code as adopted in the State of Texas effective and in force on the date of this agreement.

Ordinance, Law, Dispute Resolution, and Venue

66. The contractor shall comply with all local, state, and federal ordinances, laws, and regulation pertaining to the operations covered under this contract. It shall be the obligation of the contractor to apply for, pay for, and obtain all permits and licenses as required by the various agencies of state and local governments.

67. Both parties agree that a good faith effort will be put forth to resolve any and all disputes arising from this contract. After thirty (30) days of impasse, outside arbitration may be sought by the district.

68. This agreement will be governed and construed according to the laws of the State of Texas. Both parties agree that the venue for any litigation arising from this contract shall lie in Angleton, Brazoria County, Texas.

69. Neither party shall be liable in damages for any delay or default in the performance of this contract if such delay or default is caused by conditions beyond its own control including, but no limited to, Acts of God, government restrictions, wars, insurrections, or any other cause beyond the reasonable control of the party whose performance is affected.

70. Successful bidder shall be required to comply with applicable equal employment opportunity laws and regulations.

71. Successful bidder agrees to protect the Sweeny ISD from claims involving infringement of patent or copyright.

72. Any required notice provided to successful bidder by the Sweeny ISD shall be deemed to have been given and received on the next day after such written notice has been sent via Certified Mail to the bidder’s address as provided in response to this bid opportunity.

73. All provisions listed within this bid become a part of the terms and conditions of any resulting contract unless specifically excluded and agreed to by the Sweeny ISD. Any exceptions must be listed on the deviations page within this inquiry. Any and all conditions specified within this proposal document will automatically become a part of any additional contract terms whether or not they are specifically stated within that additional agreement. Vendor understands and agrees that any terms and conditions submitted by vendor as part of its bid are not incorporated into any agreement unless specifically listed on the deviations page and included in any final agreement executed between vendor and the duly authorized representative of the SISD. In the event a separate agreement is not executed by the SISD and vendor following the bid award, these contractual terms and conditions, along with all other proposal terms and conditions and any SISD special terms and conditions shall constitute the entire agreement governing the parties’ relationship.

Conflict of Interest
74. Individuals and business entities that wish to do business with the SISD must file a conflict of interest form with the SISD purchasing department in accordance with Texas Local Government Code 176.006. The conflict of interest form is attached.
FORM A: VENDOR PROFILE

Company Name

Contact Information

Regarding Bid Process / Contract Renewals

Contact Name

Phone  FAX

Address

Email Address

To Place Orders

Phone  FAX

Address

Email Address  Website

Payment Address

References

Please list three (3) Texas school districts of comparable size to the Sweeny ISD which you have served in the past three years.
Company Information

Please indicate if this response is for multiple locations or divisions within your company and list applicable information.

How many consecutive years has your company been in business?

The Sweeny Independent School District wishes to encourage the participation of minority and female owned businesses.

YES  NO  Is your company a minority/female owned business?

YES  NO  If so, is your company currently HUB certified through the State of Texas?
FORM B: FELONY CONVICTION NOTICE

State of Texas SB 9, 44.034(a), Notification of Criminal History states “a person or business entity that enters into a contract with a school district must give notice to the district if the person or an owner or operator of the business entity has been convicted of a felony. The notice must include a general description of the conduct resulting in the conviction of a felony.”

SB 9, 44.034(b) states “a school district may terminate a contract with a person or business entity if the district determines that the person or business entity failed to give notice as required by subsection (a) or misrepresented the conduct resulting in the conviction. The district must compensate the person or business entity for services performed before the termination of the contract.”

Criminal History Review of Contractor Employees

TEA Amendment to 19 TAC 153.1101 and new rule 19 TAC 153.117 regarding criminal history checks of contractor employees provide the school district with rules interpreting TEC 22.0834. The rules define continuing contract duties, direct contact with students, and other relevant terms within the statute.

Except as otherwise provided herein, contractor will obtain and certify in writing before work begins and at least annually a criminal history record that relates to an employee, applicant, agent, or subcontractor of the contractor or subcontractor, if the person has or will have continuing duties related to the project, and the duties are or will be performed on owner’s property where students are regularly present or at another location where students are regularly present. Contractor shall assume all expenses associated with the background checks and shall immediately remove any employee or agent who was convicted of, received probation for, or received deferred adjudication for any felony as outlined below or any misdemeanor that constitutes moral turpitude from owner’s property or other location where students are regularly present. Owner shall determine what constitutes “moral turpitude” or “a location where students are regularly present.” Contractor or subcontractors may not work on district property where students are present when they have been convicted, received probation, or deferred adjudication for the following felony offenses:

1. Any offense against a person who was, at the time the offense occurred, under eighteen (18) years of age or enrolled at a public school;
2. Any sex offense;
3. Any crimes against a person involving:
   a. Controlled substances; or
   b. Property; or
4. Any other offense the district believes might compromise the safety of students, staff, or property.

This notice is not required of a publicly-held corporation.
I, the undersigned agent for the firm named below, certify that I have reviewed the information concerning notification of felony convictions and required criminal history checks and that all information furnished is true to the best of my knowledge.

________________________________________________________________________
Vendor’s Name

________________________________________________________________________
Authorized Company Official’s Name

A. My firm is a publicly-held corporation; therefore, this reporting requirement is not applicable.

________________________________________________________________________
Signature of Company Official                      Date

B. My firm is not owned or operated by anyone who has been convicted of a felony.

________________________________________________________________________
Signature of Company Official                      Date

C. My firm is owned or operated by the following individual who has been convicted of a felony:

________________________________________________________________________
Name of Felon                      Date of Conviction

________________________________________________________________________
Signature of Company Official                      Date

Contractor is responsible for the performance of the persons, employees, and subcontractors contractor assigns to provide services for the Sweeny ISD pursuant to this contract on any and all Sweeny ISD campuses and facilities. Contractor will not assign individuals to provide services at a Sweeny ISD campus or facility who have a history of violent, unacceptable, or grossly negligible behavior or who have a felony conviction without the prior written consent of the Sweeny ISD purchasing department. If at any time during performance of this contract there is a change in felony status of any persons, employees, or subcontractors providing services to the Sweeny ISD, contractor will immediately update the above form and provide such form to the Sweeny ISD DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES within five (5) business days of becoming aware of the change in status.
FORM C: CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCY

As defined by HB 620, a "nonresident proposer" means a proposer whose principal place of business is not in Texas, but excludes a contractor whose ultimate parent company or majority owner has its principal place of business in Texas.

YES NO I certify that my company is a "resident proposer" as defined by HB 620.

YES NO I certify that my company qualifies as a "non-resident proposer" as defined by HB 620, and its principal place of business is in:

________________________________________  _______________________________________
City                                                      State

By signing below, I certify that the above is true and correct and that I am authorized by my company to make such certifications.

________________________________________
Company Name

________________________________________
Signature

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Printed Name

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Date
FORM D: CONFLICT OF INTEREST NOTICE

Notice to Vendors

Conflict of Interest Questionnaire Required by Texas Local Government Code Chapter 176

Under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 176, a person or entity who contracts or seeks to contract with a school district for the sale or purchase of property, goods, or services are required to file a conflict of interest questionnaire with the district's records administrator. Each covered person or entity who seeks to or who contacts with the district is responsible for complying with any applicable disclosure requirements. The district will post the required completed questionnaires on its website.
CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE
For vendor doing business with local governmental entity

A complete copy of Chapter 176 of the Local Government Code may be found at http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/LG/htm/LG.176.htm. For easy reference, below are some of the sections cited on this form.

Local Government Code § 176.001(1-a): "Business relationship" means a connection between two or more parties based on commercial activity of one of the parties. The term does not include a connection based on:
(A) a transaction that is subject to rate or fee regulation by a federal, state, or local governmental entity or an agency of a federal, state, or local governmental entity;
(B) a transaction conducted at a price and subject to terms available to the public; or
(C) a purchase or lease of goods or services from a person that is chartered by a state or federal agency and that is subject to regular examination by, and reporting to, that agency.

Local Government Code § 176.003(a)(2)(A) and (B):
(a) A local government officer shall file a conflicts disclosure statement with respect to a vendor if:

(2) the vendor:
(A) has an employment or other business relationship with the local government officer or a family member of the officer that results in the officer or family member receiving taxable income, other than investment income, that exceeds $2,500 during the 12-month period preceding the date that the officer becomes aware that
   (i) a contract between the local governmental entity and vendor has been executed; or
   (ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the vendor;
(B) has given to the local government officer or a family member of the officer one or more gifts that have an aggregate value of more than $100 in the 12-month period preceding the date the officer becomes aware that:
   (i) a contract between the local governmental entity and vendor has been executed; or
   (ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the vendor.

Local Government Code § 176.006(a) and (a-1)
(a) A vendor shall file a completed conflict of interest questionnaire if the vendor has a business relationship with a local governmental entity and:

(1) has an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer of that local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A);
(2) has given a local government officer of that local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, one or more gifts with the aggregate value specified by Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), excluding any gift described by Section 176.003(a-1); or
(3) has a family relationship with a local government officer of that local governmental entity.

(a-1) The completed conflict of interest questionnaire must be filed with the appropriate records administrator not later than the seventh business day after the later of:
(1) the date the vendor:
   (A) begins discussions or negotiations to enter into a contract with the local governmental entity; or
   (B) submits to the local governmental entity an application, response to a request for proposals or bids, correspondence, or another writing related to a potential contract with the local governmental entity; or
(2) the date the vendor becomes aware:
   (A) of an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer, or a family member of the officer, described by Subsection (a);
   (B) that the vendor has given one or more gifts described by Subsection (a); or
   (C) of a family relationship with a local government officer.
CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE
For vendor doing business with local governmental entity

This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 23, 84th Leg., Regular Session. This questionnaire is being filed in accordance with Chapter 176, Local Government Code, by a vendor who has a business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a) with a local governmental entity and the vendor meets requirements under Section 176.006(a).

By law this questionnaire must be filed with the records administrator of the local governmental entity not later than the 7th business day after the date the vendor becomes aware of facts that require the statement to be filed. See Section 176.006(a-1), Local Government Code. A vendor commits an offense if the vendor knowingly violates Section 176.006, Local Government Code. An offense under this section is a misdemeanor.

1. Name of vendor who has a business relationship with local governmental entity.

2. [ ] Check this box if you are filing an update to a previously filed questionnaire. (The law requires that you file an updated completed questionnaire with the appropriate filing authority not later than the 7th business day after the date on which you became aware that the originally filed questionnaire was incomplete or inaccurate.)

3. Name of local government officer about whom the information is being disclosed.

   Name of Officer

4. Describe each employment or other business relationship with the local government officer, or a family member of the officer, as described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A). Also describe any family relationship with the local government officer. Complete subparts A and B for each employment or business relationship described. Attach additional pages to this Form CIQ as necessary.

   A. Is the local government officer or a family member of the officer receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from the vendor?

      [ ] Yes       [ ] No

   B. Is the vendor receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from or at the direction of the local government officer or a family member of the officer AND the taxable income is not received from the local governmental entity?

      [ ] Yes       [ ] No

5. Describe each employment or business relationship that the vendor named in Section 1 maintains with a corporation or other business entity with respect to which the local government officer serves as an officer or director, or holds an ownership interest of one percent or more.

6. [ ] Check this box if the vendor has given the local government officer or a family member of the officer one or more gifts as described in Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), excluding gifts described in Section 176.003(a-1).

7. Signature of vendor doing business with the governmental entity

   Date

Form provided by Texas Ethics Commission

www.ethics.state.tx.us

Revised 11/30/2015
FORM E: AFFIDAVIT OF NON-COLLUSION, NON-CONFLICT OF INTEREST, ANTI-LOBBYING

By submission of this response, the undersigned certifies that:

1. Neither the respondent nor any of its officers, partners, owners, agents, representatives, or parties in interest, has in any way colluded, conspired, or agreed, directly or indirectly, with any person, firm, or corporation or other respondent or potential respondent or given any money or other valuable consideration for assistance in procuring or attempting to procure, a contract or fix the prices in the attached response or the response of any other respondent, and further states that no such money or other reward will be hereinafter paid.

2. No attempt has been or will be made by this firm’s officers, employees, or agents to lobby, directly or indirectly, the district’s board of trustees between response submission date and award by the district’s board of trustees.

3. No officer, or stockholder of respondent is a member of the staff, or related to any employee of the Sweeny Independent School District, except as noted below.

4. The bidder or proposer has not offered, conferred, or agreed to confer any pecuniary benefit, as defined by Penal Code Chapter 36, or any other thing of value, as consideration for the receipt of information or any special treatment or advantage relating to this bid or proposal.

5. The bidder or proposer has not offered, conferred, or agreed to confer any pecuniary benefit or other thing of value as consideration for the recipient’s decision, opinion, recommendation, vote, or other exercise of discretion concerning this bid or proposal.

6. The bidder or proposer has not violated any federal, state, or local law, regulation, or ordinance relating to bribery, improper influence, collusion, or the like, and that the bidder or proposer will not in the future offer, confer, or agree to confer any pecuniary benefit or other thing of value to any officer, trustee, agent, or employee of the Sweeny Independent School District in return for the person’s having exercised official discretion, power, or duty with respect to this bid or proposal.

7. The bidder of proposer has not and will not in the future offer, confer, or agree to confer pecuniary benefit or other thing of value to any officer, trustee, agent, or employee of the Sweeny Independent School District in connection with information regarding this bid or proposal, the submission of this bid or proposal, the award of this bid or proposal, or the performance, delivery, or sale pursuant to this bid or proposal.
The undersigned certifies that s/he is fully informed regarding the accuracy of the statements contained in this certification, and that the penalties herein are applicable to the respondent as well as to any person signing on its behalf.

____________________________________
Company Name

____________________________________
Signature

____________________________________
Printed Name

____________________________________
Title

____________________________________
Date
FORM F: AFFIDAVIT OF NON-DISCRIMINATORY EMPLOYMENT

This company, contractor, or subcontractor agrees to refrain from discrimination in terms and conditions of employment on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, or handicap and agrees to take affirmative action as required by federal statutes and rules and regulations issued pursuant thereto in order to maintain and insure non-discriminatory employment practices.

______________________________
Company Name

______________________________
Signature

______________________________
Printed Name

______________________________
Title

______________________________
Date
FORM G: SUSPENSION AND DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION

Federal law (A-102 Common Rule and OMB Circular A-110) prohibits non-federal entities from contracting with or making sub-awards under covered transactions to parties that are suspended or debarred or whose principals are suspended or debarred. The Sweeny ISD does not do business with parties that have been suspended or debarred.

Firms receiving individual awards and all sub-recipients must certify that their organization and its principals are not suspended or debarred by a federal agency.

Before an award can be made to your firm, you must certify that your organization and its principals are not suspended or debarred by a federal agency.

I, the undersigned agent for the firm named below, certify that neither this firm nor its principles are suspended or debarred by a federal agency.

________________________________________
Company Name

________________________________________
Signature

________________________________________
Printed Name

________________________________________
Title

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

Per Title 34, Code of Federal Regulations, 80.35, "Grantees and subgrantees must not make any award or permit any award (subgrant or contract) at any tier to any party which is debarred or suspended or is otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in Federal assistance programs under Executive Order 12549, "Debarment and Suspension."

(Before completing certification, read the instructions below.)

Please check one choice below:

☐ The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.

☐ When 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.

________________________________________________________________________

Organization Name

________________________________________________________________________

Name and Title of Authorized Representative

________________________________________________________________________

Signature                                            Date

Instructions For Suspension/Debarment Certification Statement

1. By signing and dating the certification statement, the bidder certifies that neither it nor any of its principals (e.g., key employees) has been proposed for debarment, debarred or suspended by a federal agency on the date signed.

2. The prospective bidder shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective bidder learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

3. Federal and State penalties exist for vendors and districts that knowingly enter into contracts with suspended/debarred persons.
FORM H: HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

The contractor shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the Sweeny ISD and all of its trustees, officers, agents, and employees from and against all suits, actions, or claims of any character brought for or on account of any injuries or damages received or sustained by any person or property on account of, arising out of, or in connection with any negligent act or omission of contractor or any agent, employee, subcontractor, or supplier of contractor in the execution or performance of the contract.

The contractor shall also defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the Sweeny ISD and all of its trustees, officers, agents, and employees from and against claims by any subcontractor, supplier, laborer, materials, or mechanic for payment or work or materials provided on behalf of the contractor in the performance of the contract and all such claimants shall look solely to contractor and not to the Sweeny ISD for satisfaction of such claims.

This hold harmless agreement shall be binding upon the undersigned, and its successors, legal representatives, heirs, and assigns.

Dated this _____ day of __________________, 20 ______.

________________________
Company Name

________________________
Signature

________________________
Printed Name

________________________
Title

State of ____________________ ; County of ____________________________

This instrument was acknowledged before me on _____________ (date) by
________________________ (Company Representative) as
________________________ (Title of Representative) for
________________________ (Company).

YES NO Personally Known

YES NO Produced Identification

________________________
Signature of Notary

________________________
Printed Name of Notary
SCOPE, SPECIFICATIONS, INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

The Sweeny ISD CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER is accepting proposals for CONTRACTED EDUCATIONAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES for the District. These services and resources may include direct services, consultation, advisement, facilitation of presentation of professional learning, and/or materials related to any of the following areas:

Orientation and Mobility Services
Speech Language Pathology CCC Services
Occupational Therapy
Physical Therapy
Social and Emotional Learning
Leadership Development
Instructional Coaching
Literacy
Other Educational Professional Services
Instructional Resources, including but not limited to curricula, software, etc.

The purpose of this RFP is to provide a standard from which to evaluate your proposal as it compares to other vendors and as it pertains to the needs of Sweeny ISD. The District may award this RFP to multiple respondents based upon the evaluation of the received proposals.

Proposals must include any taxes, surcharges, fees, and other costs. Proposals must include any travel related costs. Vendors acknowledge that payment is not processed in advance of the delivery of goods and services. Vendors must provide itemized invoices upon delivery of goods and services.

Vendors who perform contracted services for the District are required to supply proof of insurance in accordance with the following schedule prior to the start of any project. The District reserves the right to require higher limits of coverage depending on the size, scope, and nature of a contract. The District must be named as an additional insured in liability policies with a waiver of subrogation in favor of the District for workers’ compensation policy.

Property Damage Liability: $100,000 each accident
Property Damage Aggregate: $500,000 each accident
Bodily Injury Liability: $500,000 each occurrence
Automobile Liability Bodily Injury: $500,000 each occurrence
Total Liability: $1,000,000 each occurrence or aggregate

All vendor communications regarding this RFP should be made to:

Sweeny ISD
Dr. Lisa Davis
Chief Academic Officer  
1310 North Elm Street  
Sweeny, Texas 77480  
979-491-8082  
ldavis@sweenyisd.org

Responses to this RFP will be accepted continually through Thursday, 29 June, 2022, until 4:00 pm, by SWEENY ISD, % DR. LISA DAVIS, CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER, 1310 NORTH ELM STREET, SWEENY, TEXAS 77480. Proposals must be clearly marked as CONTRACTED EDUCATIONAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES: RFP 2022.02.

Proposals received after this date and time will not be considered. The District is not responsible for unmarked or improperly marked proposals. The District is not responsible for proposals delivered after the scheduled deadline due to the external or internal mail system. The date and time stamped by the District shall be the official date and time of receipt. The District shall not accept faxed Proposals.
FORM I: BID FORM

I have received the standard and special terms and conditions, specification, and forms for the furnishing of goods and services as prepared by the Sweeny Independent School District. I have examined and understand all aspects of these documents and submit the following bid. I have not deviated from the terms, conditions, or specifications set forth by the Sweeny Independent School District unless specified in written form.

I agree:

1. To hold my bid open for ninety (90) days after the due date for review and evaluation;
2. That the signing of this bid will constitute a contract between the Sweeny Independent School District and my company, if awarded any or all of the bid;
3. That orders will be delivered FOB, Sweeny ISD, 407 East Sixth Street, Sweeny, TX 77480 within five (5) business days after receipt of order by phone, FAX, in-person, email, or by mail and shall include inside delivery;
4. To furnish goods and services in strict compliance with the terms, conditions, and specifications as addressed within this bid document;
5. That payment will only be made from an invoice, Payment will not be made from a statement. A purchase order number must appear on all invoices.

The seller shall submit separate invoices on each purchase order after each delivery. Invoices shall indicate the purchase order number, bid number, shall be itemized, and transportation charges shall be listed separately. Mail to: Sweeny Independent School District, Attention: Business Office, 1310 North Elm Street, Sweeny, TX 77480. Payment shall not be due until the above instruments are submitted after delivery. Suppliers should keep the Business Office advised of any changes in your remittance address.

Do not include federal excise, state, or city sales tax. The Sweeny ISD shall furnish a tax exemption certificate, if requested.

The Sweeny ISD agrees to pay the supplier not later than thirty (30) days after receipt of uncontested invoices for the receipt of all supplies, aids, or equipment, or the day on which services were completed, or the day on which the invoice was received, whichever is later.

The Sweeny ISD agrees to notify the supplier of an error or contested invoice. The Sweeny ISD and supplier hereby agree to mutually resolve disputed invoices within sixty (60) days of receipt of notice of the dispute.

6. Property damage caused to the ISD or other property by the awarded vendor while carrying out responsibilities related to this contract shall be the sole responsibility of the awarded vendor.

7. Proper clothing will be worn at all times. Vendor’s vehicles and employees must be identifiable by appropriate company logos on vehicles, shirts, and badges.

8. The use of alcohol and tobacco is prohibited on district property.
FORM I: BID FORM CONTINUED

Attach Itemized Bid for Goods and Services, including taxes, fees, travel, etc.

Total Bid

Company Name

Signature

Printed Name

Title

Date

FORM J: DEVIATION/SIGNATURE PAGE

In the event the undersigned intends to deviate from the general terms, conditions, or specifications listed within this document, all such deviations must be listed on this page with complete and detailed conditions and information also being attached, if necessary. The Sweeny ISD will be the sole judge to determine if deviations are acceptable in meeting the needs of the SISD and participating members.

Deviations:

Our response is submitted according to:

YES  NO  No Deviations: In the absence of any deviation entry on this form, the vendor
assures the SISD their compliance with the terms, conditions, specifications, and information contained within this document.

YES  NO  Deviations listed above.

________________________________________
Company Name

________________________________________
Signature

________________________________________
Printed Name

________________________________________
Title

________________________________________
Date
FORM K

PROPOSER/VENDOR CERTIFICATION FORMS

REQUIRED CONTRACT PROVISIONS FOR NON-FEDERAL ENTITY CONTRACTS
UNDER FEDERAL AWARDS – APPENDIX II TO 2 CFR PART 200

The following provisions are required and apply when federal funds are expended by
Lufkin ISD for any contract resulting from this procurement process.

(A) Contracts for more than the simplified acquisition threshold currently set at $150,000, which is the inflation adjusted amount determined by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (Councils) as authorized by 41 U.S.C. 1908, must address administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where contractors violate or breach contract terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as appropriate.

Pursuant to Federal Rule (A) above, when federal funds are expended, Lufkin ISD reserves all rights and privileges under the applicable laws and regulations with respect to this procurement in the event of breach of contract by either party.

Does vendor agree? YES ________
(If yes, insert initials of Authorized Representative of vendor.)

(B) Termination for cause and for convenience by the grantee or sub-grantee including the manner by which it will be effected and the basis for settlement. (All contracts in excess of $10,000)

Pursuant to Federal Rule (B) above, when federal funds are expended, Lufkin ISD reserves the right to immediately terminate any agreement in excess of $10,000 resulting from this procurement process in the event of a breach or default of the agreement by Vendor, in the event vendor fails to: (1) meet schedules, deadlines, and/or delivery dates within the time specified in the procurement solicitation, contract, and/or a purchase order; (2) make any payments owed; or (3) otherwise perform in accordance with the contract and/or the procurement solicitation. Lufkin ISD also reserves the right to terminate the contract immediately, with written notice to vendor, for convenience, if Lufkin ISD believes, in its sole discretion that it is in the best interest of Lufkin ISD to do so. The vendor will be compensated for work performed and accepted and goods accepted by Lufkin ISD as of the termination date if the contract is terminated for convenience of Lufkin ISD. Any award under this procurement process is not exclusive and Lufkin ISD reserves the right to purchase goods and services from other vendors when it is in the best interest of Lufkin ISD to do so.

Does vendor agree to abide by the above?

YES ________ (If yes, insert initials of Authorized Representative of vendor.)

Pursuant to Federal Rule (C) above, when federal funds are expended by Lufkin ISD on any federally assisted construction contract, the equal opportunity clause is incorporated by reference herein.

Does vendor agree to abide by the above?

YES ________ (If yes, insert initials of Authorized Representative of vendor.)

(D) Davis-Bacon Act, as amended (40 U.S.C. 3141-3148). When required by Federal program legislation, all prime construction contracts in excess of $2,000 awarded by non-Federal entities must include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5, “Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally Financed and Assisted Construction”). In accordance with the statute, contractors must be required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, contractors must be required to pay wages not less than once a week. The non-Federal entity must place a copy of the current prevailing wage determination issued by the Department of Labor in each solicitation. The decision to award a contract or subcontract must be conditioned upon the acceptance of the wage determination. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency. The contracts must also include a provision for compliance with the Copeland “Anti-Kickback” Act (40 U.S.C. 3145), 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 subrecipient must 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 or she is otherwise entitled. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency.

Pursuant to Federal Rule (D) above, when federal funds are expended by Lufkin ISD, during the term of an award for all contracts and sub-grants for construction or repair, the vendor will be in compliance with all applicable Davis-Bacon Act provisions.

Does vendor agree? YES ________ (If yes, insert initials of Authorized Representative of vendor.)
(E) Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708). Where applicable, all contracts awarded by the non-Federal entity in excess of $100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers must include a provision for compliance with 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under 40 U.S.C. 3702 of the Act, each contractor must 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 one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. The requirements of 40 U.S.C. 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic must 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.

Pursuant to Federal Rule (E) above, when federal funds are expended by Lufkin ISD, the vendor certifies that during the term of an award for all contracts by Lufkin ISD resulting from this procurement process, the vendor will be in compliance with all applicable provisions of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act.

Does vendor agree? YES ______
(If yes, insert initials of Authorized Representative of vendor.)

(F) Rights to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Agreement. If the Federal award meets the definition of "funding agreement" under 37 CFR §401.2 (a) and the recipient or subrecipient wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that "funding agreement," the recipient or subrecipient must comply with the requirements of 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 issued by the awarding agency.

Pursuant to Federal Rule (F) above, when federal funds are expended by Lufkin ISD, the vendor certifies that during the term of an award for all contracts by Lufkin ISD resulting from this procurement process, the vendor agrees to comply with all applicable requirements as referenced in Federal Rule (F) above.

Does vendor agree? YES ______
(If yes, insert initials of Authorized Representative of vendor.)
(G) Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387), as amended—Contracts and subgrants of amounts in excess of $150,000 must contain a provision that requires the non-Federal award to agree to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Pursuant to Federal Rule (G) above, when federal funds are expended by Lufkin ISD, the vendor certifies that during the term of an award for all contracts by Lufkin ISD resulting from this procurement process, the vendor agrees to comply with all applicable requirements as referenced in Federal Rule (G) above.

Does vendor agree? YES ________
(If yes, insert the initials of Authorized Representative of vendor.)

(H) Debarment and Suspension (Executive Orders 12549 and 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.

Pursuant to Federal Rule (H) above, when federal funds are expended by Lufkin ISD, the vendor certifies that during the term of an award for all contracts by Lufkin ISD resulting from this procurement process, the vendor certifies that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation by any federal department or agency.

Does vendor agree? YES ________
(If yes, insert the initials of Authorized Representative of vendor.)

RECORD RETENTION REQUIREMENTS FOR CONTRACTS PAID FOR WITH FEDERAL FUNDS – 2 CFR § 200.333

When federal funds are expended by Lufkin ISD for any contract resulting from this procurement process, the vendor certifies that it will comply with the record retention requirements detailed in 2 CFR § 200.333. The vendor further certifies that vendor will retain all records as required by 2 CFR § 200.333 for a period of three years after grantees or sub-grantees submit final expenditure reports or quarterly or annual financial reports, as applicable, and all other pending matters are closed.

Does vendor agree? YES _________
(If yes, insert the initials of Authorized Representative of vendor.)

CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE ENERGY POLICY AND CONSERVATION ACT

When federal funds are expended by Lufkin ISD for any contract resulting from this procurement process, the vendor certifies that the vendor will be in compliance with mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6321, et seq.; 49 C.F.R. Part 18).

Does vendor agree? YES _________
(If yes, insert the initials of Authorized Representative of vendor.)

CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH BUY AMERICA PROVISIONS

Vendor certifies that vendor is in compliance with all applicable provisions of the Buy America Act. Purchases made in accordance with the Buy America Act must still follow the applicable procurement rules calling for free and open competition.

Does vendor agree? YES _________
(If yes, insert the initials of Authorized Representative of vendor.)
CERTIFICATION OF NON-COLLUSION STATEMENT

Vendor certifies under penalty of perjury that its responses to this procurement solicitation is in all respects bona fide, fair, and made without collusion or fraud with any person, joint venture, partnership, corporation or other business or legal entity.

Does vendor agree? YES _______
(If yes, insert the initials of Authorized Representative of vendor.

Vendor agrees to comply with all federal, state, and local laws, rules, regulations and ordinances, as applicable. It is further acknowledged that vendor certifies compliance with all provisions, laws, acts, regulations, etc. as specifically noted above under Proposer/Vendor Certification Forms.

Vendor’s Name/Company Name:

Address, City, State, and Zip Code:

Phone Number:

Fax Number:

Printed Name and Title of Authorized Representative:

Email Address:

Signature of Authorized Representative:

Date: __________________________
MWBE/HUB CERTIFICATION

Historically Underutilized Business Questionnaire

A bidder/proposer that has been certified as a Minority/Women Business Enterprise (also known as "Historically Underutilized Business" or "HUB" and all referred to in this forma as "MWBE") is encouraged to indicate its MWBE certification status when responding to this Bid/Proposal Invitation.

___ I certify that my company has been certified as a MWBE in the following categories (Please check all that apply)

___ Minority Owned Business

___ Women Owned Business

Certificate Number: ____________________________________________

Name of Certifying Agency: ______________________________________

___ My company has NOT been certified as MWBE

By signature below, I certify that the above is true, complete and accurate and that I am authorized by my company to make this certification.

__________________________________________

Company Name

__________________________________________

Signature of Authorized Company Official

__________________________________________

Printed Name

__________________________________________

Date
HB 89 AND SB 252 CERTIFICATION ADDENDUM

The Texas 85th Legislature passed two bills during its regular session that will impact all government contracts for goods and services, regardless of dollar amount, including contracts for professional, consulting, and construction services. This addendum requires review and signature from any vendor or independent contractor entering into a contract with the Sweeny Independent School District to ensure the contractor complies with the requirements stipulated herein.

HB 89 - Certification Regarding Israel

HB 89 prohibits governmental entities from entering into contracts for goods and services that do not contain the contractor's written verification that the contractor does not and during the term of the contract will not boycott Israel.

SB 252 - Verification Regarding Terrorist Organizations

SB 252 prohibits governmental entities from contracting with parties on the state comptroller's list of companies known to have contracts with or provide supplies or services to an organization designated as a foreign terrorist organization by the US Secretary of State. As a result of the law, governmental entities are required to certify that vendors are not on the comptroller's list of companies with ties to foreign terrorists. The comptroller's office provides and maintains such list and anticipate the list going live on September 1, 2017. The list will be accessible through the Texas Treasury Safekeeping Trust at www.ttstc.org/index.php or through alink on the Texas comptroller's website at https://comptroller.texas.gov.

Contractor Certification

The contractor entering into a contract with the Sweeny Independent School District for the provision of goods or services whether such contract is in the form of either a written agreement executed between both parties or authorized Sweeny ISD purchase order, contractor hereby certifies that it is not a company identified on the Texas comptroller's list of companies known to have contracts with or provide supplies or services to a foreign organization designated as a foreign terrorist organization by the US Secretary of State. Contractor further certifies and verifies that neither contractor, nor affiliate, subsidiary, or parent company of contractor, if any, boycotts Israel, and contractor agrees that contractor and contractor companies will not boycott Israel during the term of this contract. For purposes of this contract, the term "boycott" shall mean to include terminating business activities or otherwise taking action that is intended to penalize, inflict economic harm on, or limit commercial relations with Israel, or with a person or entity doing business in Israel or in an Israeli-controlled territory.
Implementation of House Bill 1295

Certificate of Interested Parties (Form 1295):

In 2015, the Texas Legislature adopted House Bill 1295, which added section 2252.908 of the Government Code. The law states that a governmental entity or state agency may not enter into certain contracts with a business entity unless the business entity submits a disclosure of interested parties to the governmental entity or state agency at the time the business entity submits the signed contract to the governmental entity or state agency.

The law applies (with a few exceptions) only to a contract between a business entity and a governmental entity or state agency that either (1) requires an action or vote by the governing body of the entity or agency before the contract may be signed or (2) has a value of at least $1 million. The disclosure requirement applies to a contract entered into on or after January 1, 2016.

Changed or Amended Contracts:

Form 1295 is only required for a change made to an existing contract in certain circumstances: (1) if a Form 1295 was not filed for the existing contract, then a filing is only required if the changed contract either requires an action or vote by the governing body or the value of the changed contract is at least $1 million; or (2) if a Form 1295 was filed for the existing contract, then another filing is only required for the changed contract if there is a change to the information disclosed in the Form 1295, the changed contract requires an action or vote by the governing body, or the value of the changed contract increases by at least $1 million.

As required by law, the Commission adopted the Certificate of Interested Parties form (Form 1295) on October 5, 2015. The Commission also adopted rules (Chapter 46) to implement the law. The Commission does not have any additional authority to enforce or interpret section 2252.908 of the Government Code.

Filing Process:

A business entity must use the Form 1295 filing application the Commission created to enter the required information on Form 1295 and print a copy of the completed form. Once entered into the filing application, the completed form will include a unique certification number, called a “certification of filing.”

An authorized agent of the business entity must sign the printed copy of the form affirming under the penalty of perjury that the completed form is true and correct.

The completed, printed, and signed Form 1295 bearing the unique certification of filing number must be filed with the governmental body or state agency with which the business entity is entering into the contract.
Acknowledgement by State Agency or Governmental Entity:

The governmental entity or state agency must acknowledge receipt of the filed Form 1295 with the certification of filing, using the Commission’s filing application, not later than the 30th day after the date the governing body or state agency receives the Form 1295. The Commission will post the completed Form 1295 to its website within seven business days after the governmental entity or state agency acknowledges receipt of the form.

Additional Information:

Section 2252.908, Government Code.

Certificate of Interested Parties (Form 1295)**
**This is a sample form for illustration purposes only. DO NOT FILL OUT THIS SAMPLE FORM. Form 1295 MUST BE FILED ELECTRONICALLY! Paper copies and PDF copies of this sample form are not accepted!

Chapter 46, Ethics Commission Rules (includes new rule 46.4, regarding changes to contracts, which went into effect on January 1, 2017)

Frequently Asked Questions

Last Revision: December 21, 2017
# CERTIFICATE OF INTERESTED PARTIES

Complete Nos. 1 - 4 and 6 if there are interested parties.
Complete Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6 if there are no interested parties.

1. Name of business entity filing form, and the city, state and country of the business entity's place of business.

2. Name of governmental entity or state agency that is a party to the contract for which the form is being filed.

3. Provide the identification number used by the governmental entity or state agency to track or identify the contract, and provide a description of the services, goods, or other property to be provided under the contract.

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5. Check only if there is no Interested Party.

6. UNSWORN DECLARATION

My name is ____________________________, and my date of birth is ____________________________.

My address is ____________________________, ____________________________, ____________________________, ____________________________, ____________________________.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed in ____________________________ County, State of ____________________________, on the _______ day of ____________________________, 20__________.

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Signature of authorized agent of contracting business entity (Declarant)

ADD ADDITIONAL PAGES AS NECESSARY

Form provided by Texas Ethics Commission

www.ethics.state.tx.us

Revised 12/22/2017
Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Go to www.irs.gov/FormW9 for instructions and the latest information.

1. Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line; do not leave this line blank.

2. Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above

3. Check appropriate box for federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one of the following seven boxes.

4. Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see Instructions on page 3):

   - Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC
   - C Corporation
   - S Corporation
   - Partnership
   - Trust/estate
   - Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=Partnership) □
   - Note: Check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner. Do not check LLC if the LLC is classified as a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner unless the owner of the LLC is another LLC that is disregarded from the owner for U.S. federal tax purposes. Otherwise, a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner.
   - Other (see Instructions) □

5. Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) See Instructions.

6. City, state, and ZIP code

7. List account number(s) here (optional)

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For Individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see How to get a TIN, later.

Note: If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. Also see What Name and Number To Give the Requester for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Social security number

or

Employer Identification number

Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification Instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, Item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the Instructions for Part II, later.

Sign Here

Signature of U.S. person ▶

Date ▶

General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/FormW9.

Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an Information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following.

- Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)
- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)
- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), 1098-T (tuition)
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- Form 1098-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See What is backup withholding, later.