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Bid No. 23-08 February 13, 2023

BUYER: RUSSELL HUDSON

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL ONLINE SAFETY TRAINING PROGRAM

Sealed proposals will be received by the Board of School Commissioners of Mobile County, Alabama at its Purchasing Department, 1 Magnum Pass, Mobile, Alabama 36618, until **Monday, February 27, 2023 @ 2:00 PM** at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud.

- The submission of the bid by the vendor, acceptance and award of the bid by the School Board of Mobile County, Alabama, and subsequent purchase orders issued against said award shall constitute a binding, enforceable contract. Unless stipulated in the bid documents, no other contract documents shall be issued.
- 2. The undersigned, as bidder, hereby declares that I have examined the Instructions, General Terms, Conditions and Specifications, and affirm that I have not been in any agreement or collusion among bidders, employees of the Mobile County Public School System, or prospective bidders in restraint of freedom of competition. Furthermore, I understand that fraudulent and collusive bidding is a crime and can result in fines and prison sentences.
- 3. Bidder has become fully familiar with the general terms, conditions and specifications of this bid request and agrees to abide by all conditions stated herein:
- 4. <u>Bidder agrees to VISA® Virtual Credit Card Program through AOC/Regions Bank for invoice payments in place of a check to pay for purchases from this solicitation. See payment terms for more information.</u>

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE BELOW

Legal Name of Vendor:	
Mailing Address:	
City, State, Zip Code:	
(List Toll Free Number if Applicable)	
Telephone Number:	Fax
Authorized Signature of Bidder	Authorized Name(Typed or Printed)
Director of Purchasing	Name(Typed or Printed)
Mobile County Public Schools	

THIS COMPLETED FORM MUST APPEAR AS THE TOP SHEET FOR ALL BIDS SUBMITTED

MOBILE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL'S PURCHASING DEPT.

1. ALABAMA IMMIGRATION LAW COMPLIANCE:

As a Contractor/Vendor as defined in the Act, to the Local Board of Education (Board), it is crucial to your relationship (future or continuing) with the Board that you comply with the Immigration Reform Act of 1986, as amended by the Immigration Act of 1990, and the Beason-Hammon Alabama Taxpayer and Citizen Protection Act. Accordingly please provide your Affidavit of Immigration Compliance. These documents can be found in the following bid package along with a compliance check list. 2.ADDITIONAL ORDERS: Unless it is specifically stated to the contrary in the bid response, the School District reserves the option to place additional orders against a contract awarded as a result of this solicitation at the same terms and conditions; to extend the renewal date until a new bid is in place, if it is mutually

- 3. ADDENDA: If it becomes necessary to revise any part of this bid, a written addendum will be provided to all bidders that are **registered** with the Purchasing Department. The Board is not bound by any oral representations, clarifications, or changes made in the written specifications by the school's employees, unless such clarification or change is provided to bidders in written addendum form from Purchasing Department.
- **4. APPLICABLE LAW:** This contract shall be construed and interpreted according to Alabama Law.
- 5. ASSURANCE OF NON-CONVICTION OF BRIBERY: The bidder hereby declares and affirms that, to its best knowledge, none of its officers, directors, or partners and none of its employees directly involved in obtaining contracts has been convicted of bribery, attempted bribery or conspiracy to bribe under the laws of any state or Federal government.
- **6. AWARD CONSIDERATION:** The following factors will be considered in determining the lowest **responsible** bidder:

Overall quality, Conformity with specifications both general and specific, Purposes for which materials or services are required, Delivery dates and time required for delivery, Unit acquisition cost, financial ability to meet the contract, previous performance, facilities and equipment, availability of repair parts, experience, delivery promise, terms of payments, compatibility as required, other costs, and other objective and accountable factors which are reasonable.

7. BID AND PERFORMANCE SECURITY: If bid security is required, a bid bond or cashier's check in the amount indicated on the bid cover must accompany the

bid and be made payable to Board of School
Commissioners of Mobile County. Corporate or certified checks are not acceptable. Bonds must be in a form satisfactory to the School District and underwritten by a company licensed to issue bonds in the State of Alabama. If bid security fails to accompany the bid, it shall be deemed unresponsive, unless the Purchasing Manager deems the failure to be nonsubstantial. All checks will be returned to the bidders within five (5) days after the contract has been Board approved. If a performance bond is required, the successful bidder will be notified after the awarding of the contract.

8.BRAND NAMES: The name of a certain brand,

make, model number, manufacturer, or definite specification is to denote the quality standard of the article desired, but does not restrict the bidder to the particular brand, make, model number, manufacturer, or specification named. It is set forth to convey the general style, character, and quality of the item desired to the prospective bidder. Whenever the words "or approved equal" appear in the specifications, they shall be interpreted to mean an item of material or equipment similar to that named, which is approved by the Purchasing Department or their designated representatives. The burden of proof that alternate brands are in fact equal or better falls on the bidder, and proof must be to the Board's satisfaction.

9. CONFLICT OF INTEREST: Section 36-25-9 of the Code of Alabama states: "No member of any county or municipal agency, board, or commission shall vote or participate in any matter in which the member or family member of the member has any financial gain or interest" Employees may not use their offices or positions for personal gain and must adhere to applicable provisions of the Alabama Ethics Law and the MCPSS Board policy 6.10 concerning Ethics. Further information can be found on both the Alabama Ethics Commission's and MCPSS Website.

10.DELIVERY OF BIDS: Bids must be received in the Purchasing Office by the the date and time specified on the bid cover. All bids will be accepted until the time and date stated on the bid cover. No bids will be accepted that extend past the time and date on the bid cover. The time of receipt shall be determined by the time clock stamp in the Purchasing Department. Bids submitted by U.S. Mail must be addressed to the Board of School Commissioners, Purchasing Office, P.O. Box 180069, Mobile, AL 36618; when using other couriers, send to the Board of School Commissioners, Purchasing Office, 1 Magnum Pass, Mobile, AL 36618. The School District accepts no responsibility for premature opening

agreeable.

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responsive.

of bid response not properly identified or late arrival of a bid response for whatever reason. No fax or emails will be accepted. The Board will not be responsible in the event the U.S. Postal Service or any other courier system fails to deliver the proposal to the Board of School Commissioners, Purchasing Department by the time stated in the bid request. All bids shall remain firm for acceptance by the Board for a period of 60 days from the date of bid opening.

If the School System is closed for any reason, including but not limited to: Acts of God, strikes, lockouts, riots, acts of war, epidemics, governmental regulations superimposed after the fact, fire, earthquakes, floods, or other natural disasters (the "Force Majeure Events") which closure prevents the opening of bids at the advertised date and time, all bids received shall either be publicly opened and read aloud on the next business day that the department opens at the advertised time or the bid opening will be extended by sending out an addendum that states the new date and time to all registered bidders.

11.ERRORS IN BIDS: Bidders are assumed to be informed regarding conditions, requirements, and specifications prior to submitting bids. Failure to do so will be at the bidder's risk. Bids already submitted may be withdrawn without penalty prior to bid opening. Errors discovered after the bid opening may not be corrected.

12. FEDERAL MONIES

Expenditure of federal monies require the bidder to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the following: Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q); Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (22 U.S.C. 1251-1387) Buy American provision (7 CFR §210.21); Equal Employment Opportunity (41 CFR §60); Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141-3148) ;Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708); Rights to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Agreement (37 CFR §401.2); Debarment and Suspension (Executive Orders 12549 and 12689), Copeland "Anti-Kickback" act (18 U.S.C. 874 and 40 U.S.C. 276c) Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352) Procurement of Recovered Materials (See §200.322) National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) Section

13.HAZARDOUS AND TOXIC SUBSTANCES: Bidder must comply with all applicable Federal, State, County and City laws, ordinances and regulations relating to hazardous and toxic substances, including such laws, ordinances and regulations pertaining to

information hazardous and toxic substances, and as amended from time to time. Bidder shall provide the School District with a "Material Safety Data Sheet" if required.

14. INVOICING, DELIVERY, PACKAGING:
Invoices shall be prepared only after ordered materials have been delivered. Payment will be made in accordance with Terms of Payment in the Minimum Specifications. District personnel may choose to use a VISA® Purchasing Card and E-Payables process for invoice payments in place of a check to pay for purchases from this solicitation. Unless exception is noted in the bid response, the bidder by submitting a bid, agrees to accept the VISA® purchasing card and E-Payables process, as an acceptable form of payment and may not add additional service fees/handling charges to purchases made with the VISA® purchasing card. Refusal to accept this condition may cause your bid to be declared non-

All invoices must show the purchase order number. Vendors shall not ship any material without an authorized purchase order from the Board of School Commissioners of Mobile County or local school. All packages delivered must show the purchase order number. The successful bidder will be required to furnish all materials, equipment, and/or service called for at the bid price quoted. In the event the bidder fails to deliver within a reasonable period of time, as determined by the Board, the right is reserved to cancel the award and subsequent purchase order and purchase from the next lowest responsible bidder the items needed. The original bidder will be back charged the difference between the original contract price and the price the Board has to pay as a result of the failure to perform by the original contractor. All bids will remain firm for acceptance for 60 days from the date of bid opening. Prices shall be net F.O.B.; School Site, Mobile County, AL. The title and risk of loss of the goods will not pass to the Board, Departments, Schools until receipt and acceptance takes place at the F.O.B. point. 15. INSPECTION OF PREMISES: At reasonable times, the Board may inspect those areas of the contractor's place of business that are related to the performance of a contract. If the Board makes such an

times, the Board may inspect those areas of the contractor's place of business that are related to the performance of a contract. If the Board makes such an inspection, the contractor must provide reasonable assistance. The Board reserves the right on demand and without notice all the vendor's files associated with a subsequent contract where payments are based on contractor's record of time, salaries, materials, or actual

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expenses. This same clause will apply to any subcontractors assigned to the contract.

16. INSURANCE: The School Board of Mobile County, AL shall be added as an additional insured on all Contractors' liability policies. Copy of policy to be given to the Purchasing Dept where it will remain on file.

COMPREHENSIVE PUBLIC GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE

Contractor shall purchase and maintain during the life of this contract, public liability insurance against bodily injury, personal injury, property damage which shall include comprehensive general liability, contractual liability, products and completed operations liability in limits of not less than \$2,000,000 per occurrence and \$3,000,000 Aggregate. The contract shall protect him and any subcontractor performing the work overed by this contract, from claims for damages which may arise from operations under this contract, whether such operations are by himself or by any subcontractor, or by anyone directly or indirectly employed by either of them.

The Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the Owner against any and all claims for personal injuries and/or property damage as a result of Contractor's **and its Subcontractor** acts, operations, or omissions and shall carry contractual liability and property damage insurance to cover such indemnification. The limits of contractual coverage shall agree with the limits stated above for Contractor's regular public comprehensive general liability coverage and property damage.

A. LIMITATION TO DAMAGE: In no event shall the BOARD or any of its Commissioners, officers, employees, agents, or servants be liable to the Contractor or Vendor for any direct or indirect, special, consequential, or incidental damages or lost profits or punitive damages, arising out of or related to this bid document, or to the performance of or breach of any provision hereof.

17. INVITATION TO BID: Any provisions made in the Invitation for Bid supersedes any provisions outlined here in the General Terms and Conditions.

18. NON-DISCRIMINATION: The Board provides equal opportunities for all businesses and does not discriminate against any vendor regardless of race, color,

creed, sex, national origin, or disability in consideration for an award.

19. PRODUCT TESTING: Vendor shall incur all cost involved in obtaining an Independent Laboratory Test if the Board deems necessary during the term of the contract or before the contract is awarded. The Board reserves the right to request a demonstration of any product or service before making the award at no additional cost to the school district. The time frame of the testing will be mutually agreed upon by both parties.
20. PATENTS: Bidders guarantees that the sale and/or use of goods will not infringe upon any U.S. or foreign patent. Bidder will at his/her own expense, indemnify, protect and save harmless the School District, employees on any claims arising out of the purchase of goods or services.

- 21. PROTESTS: Any protest to the Board's consideration of any bid must be submitted in writing and received by the Purchasing Director no later than five (5) calendar days after awarding date of the bid. If needed, The Chief Financial Officer will send a written reply to the protesting bidder. The Board of Education is the final authority on issues relating to this contract. The Purchasing Director is the Board's representative in the award and administration of this contract, and will issue and receive all documents, notices and correspondence. The decision of the Board of Education is final, conclusive, and binding on all parties concerned.

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- 22. PREPARATION OF BID: All bids shall be typewritten or in ink on the form(s) prepared by the Board. Bids prepared in pencil will not be accepted. All proposals must be signed by officials of the corporation or company duly authorized to sign bids. Any bid submitted without being signed will automatically be rejected. All corrections or erasures shall be initialed and dated by the person authorized to sign bids. If there are discrepancies between unit prices quoted and extensions, the unit price will prevail.
- 23 PRICING: Prices quoted shall be delivered prices and shall include any and all costs, charges, taxes, and fees i.e. the Board shall only pay the price and amount quoted and nothing more.
- 24. PURCHASES: Once the bid is board approved, a letter will be issued to the awarded vendor(s). This letter does not authorize to make purchases. Purchase orders will be issued as authorization for all purchases.
- 25. QUESTIONS/CONTACT: All questions must be directed to the buyer listed on the particular bid. Clarification will be made only by written addenda sent to all registered bidders. The Board will not be responsible for verbal answers regarding the intent or

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meaning of the specifications or for any verbal instructions given prior to the bid opening. Bidders shall not contact any member of the Mobile County School Board, Superintendent, or Staff regarding this bid prior to such bid has been Board approved. Any such contact shall be cause for rejection of your proposal.

26. REJECTION OF BIDS: Mobile County School District reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids in whole or in part for any reason, to waive technicalities or informalities, or to advertise for new proposals, if, in the judgment of the awarding authority, the best interest of the School District will be promoted thereby. Bidders may be disqualified and rejection of proposals may be recommended to for any of (but not limited to) the following causes: Failure to use the bid forms furnished by the Board of School Commissioners, Lack of signature by an authorized representative on the bid form, Failure to properly complete the bid form and vendor compliance, Default on previous contracts, Evidence of collusion among bidders, Unauthorized alteration of the bid form. On the final board approved bid tabulation, a written justification of all bidders that were rejected will be presented and made public. 27. SAMPLES: Bidders will not be required to furnish samples at the time of bid opening, unless specifically called for. The Board reserves the right to request

proposals submitted.

28. TABULATION: Bid results are posted on Purchasing's web site, and will remain for sixty (60) days after the posting date. The awarding bidders will be sent a written notification via mail.

samples after bid opening to assist in the evaluation of

29. TERMINATION BASED ON LACK OF

FUNDING: Any contract awarded as a result of this solicitation will be subject to funding and continued appropriation of sufficient funds for the contract. For purposes of this solicitation, the appropriating authority is deemed to be the Board of School Commissioners of Mobile County. Insufficient funds shall be the grounds for immediate termination of this solicitation.

30. TERMINATION FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF THE BOARD: The performance of the work or services under a contract as a result of this solicitation may be terminated in whole or part, whenever the Purchasing Manager shall deem that termination is in the best interest of the School District. Such determination shall be in the sole discretion of the Purchasing Manager. In such event, the School District shall be liable only for payment in accordance with the payment provisions of the contract for work or services performed

or furnished prior to the effective date of termination. Termination hereunder shall become effective by delivery to contractor of written notice of termination upon which date the termination shall become effective.

31. TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT: If an award results from this bid, and the contractor has not performed or has unsatisfactorily performed the contract, payment shall be withheld at the discretion of the School District. Failure on the part of the contractor to fulfill contractual obligations shall be considered just cause for the termination of the contract, and the contractor is not entitled to recover any costs incurred by the contractor up to the date of termination.

A. FORCE MAJEURE: The parties' under this agreement are subject to, and neither party shall be liable for delays, or failure to perform caused by or due to fire, flood, water, weather events, labor disputes, power outages, civil disturbances, or any other cause beyond the party's reasonable control 32.WARRANTY: The bidder expressly warrants that all articles, material and work offered shall conform to each and every specification, drawing, sample, or other description which is furnished to or adopted by the School District, and that it will be fit and sufficient for the purpose intended, merchantable, of good material and workmanship, and free from defect. The bidder further warrants all items for a period of one year, unless otherwise stated, from the date of acceptance of the items delivered and installed or work completed. All repairs, replacements, or adjustments during the warranty period shall be at the bidder's sole expense. 33. VENDOR LIST: A bidder may be removed from the Qualified Vendor List if a vendor fails to respond to three (3) consecutive ITB's. A properly submitted "No Bid" is considered as a response and the vendor will receive credit for the response.

THE BOARD MAY REJECT ANY BID FOR FAILURE BY THE BIDDER TO COMPLY WITH ANY REQUIREMENTS STATED ABOVE IN THE BID PROPOSAL OR IN ATTACHMENTS THERETO WHICH BECOME PART OF THE BID.

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MOBILE COUNTY,

RUSSELL HUDSON

ALABAMA

DIRECTOR OF PURCHASING

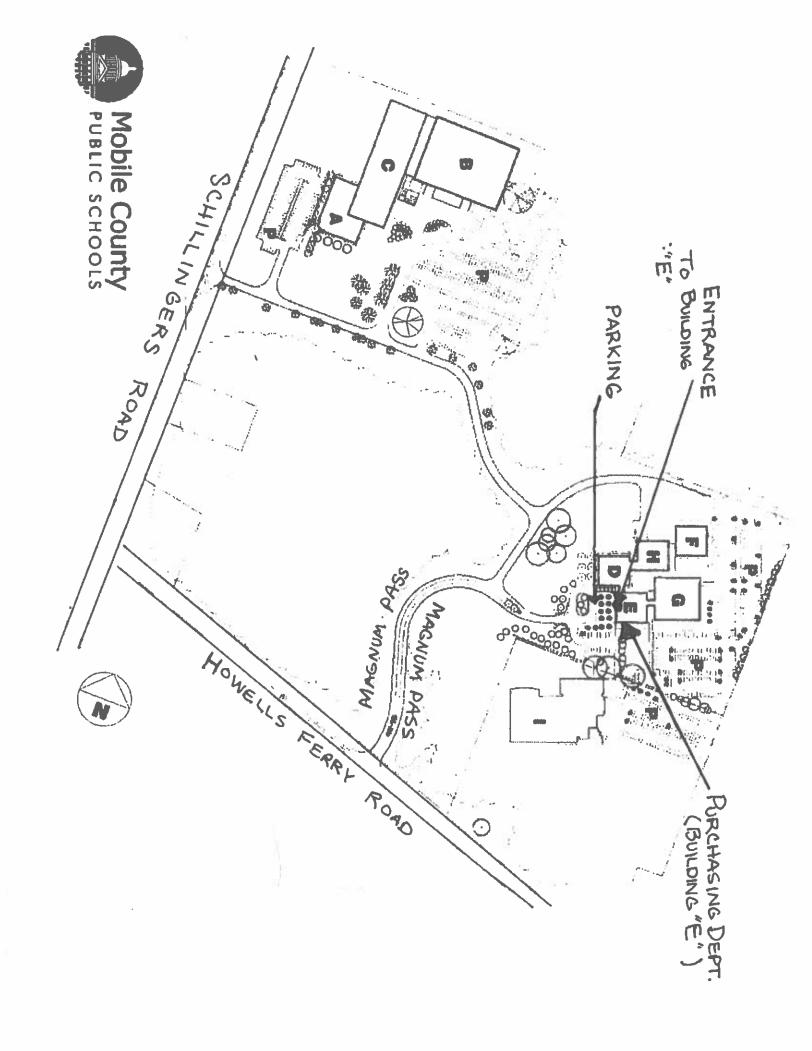
NEW BUILDING ENTRANCE

FOR

"PURCHASING DEPARTMENT"

Please note the entrance to Building "E" (1 Magnum Pass) has changed. You will need to enter Building "E" as shown on the following diagram where you will be checked in by a security officer and then directed to the Purchasing Department.

Please <u>allow</u> sufficient time for this change if you are dropping off a bid on the same day as the bid closes. MCPSS will NOT be responsible for any late bids.



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LET'S LOAD THE BASES!

Miracle League of West Mobile: Schmidt Family Park



Our community is coming together to build baseball fields and a playground for children with special needs. The Miracle League of West Mobile: Schmidt Family Park will be constructed on Johnson Road, about two miles southwest of the intersection of Airport Boulevard and Snow Road.

You have the opportunity to help us create a miracle in Mobile County! If you hit a Single, Double, Triple, Home Run, or Grand Slam, you, your family, your business or your organization will be recognized at the park.

Several community organizations have already stepped up to the plate, donating land, providing funds to pave the road, and more. The key players thus far are: the Alabama Pecan Development Company, Inc., Schmidt-Barton Family Fund, South Alabama Utilities, Mobile County Public Schools and the Mobile County Commission. The Alabama Pecan Development Company, Inc., has donated more than 24 acres to the project and South Alabama Utilities has donated more than 4 acres. The Schmidt-Barton Family Fund is donating up to \$1 million in matching funds toward the estimated \$5 million in total construction costs.

Donations are now being accepted at mcpss.com/miracleleague to cover the remaining costs associated with the park.

Why should you donate?

Currently, many Mobile County youths with mental and physical disabilities are unable to play baseball in existing parks due to the lack of facilities that meet their needs. The Miracle League of West Mobile: Schmidt Family Park will be open to children from the entire county and surrounding areas. Approximately 8,300 children with disabilities would be able to play here.

ALABAMA PECAN DEVELOPMENT CO. INC









MIRACLE LEAGUE OF WEST MOBILE: SCHMIDT FAMILY PARK

MCPSS.COM/MIRACLELEAGUE

We are working directly with The Miracle League, which is based in Georgia and has 240 fields across the United States and in Puerto Rico and Canada, on this project. Why? So our children with mental and physical disabilities can experience the joy of America's favorite pastime. It's more than just a game. The Miracle League is about making new friends, building self-esteem and being treated just like other athletes.

The Miracle League baseball field will feature a synthetic rubberized turf that accommodates wheelchairs and other assistive devices while helping to prevent injuries. The field will have double-wide lanes, allowing the players more space as they round the bases. The park will also include a regular baseball field for children who are middle-school-aged. The hope is to one day build a school on the site to serve special-needs and autistic students.

This will be the first Miracle League field in Mobile County. The project will progress in phases as funding becomes available, with the Miracle Field and Playground as the major components of the first phase.

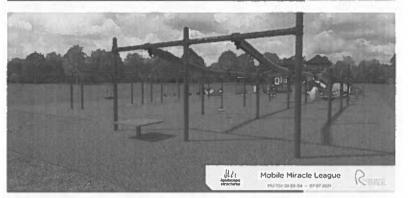
The first phase of the plan will cost approximately \$2.3 million. We still need to raise \$1 million to fund all facets of Phase 1, which we hope to complete in the fall of 2022.

Mobile County Public Schools is overseeing the financing of the project. We are applying for various grants and accepting donations at: mcpss.com/miracleleague.

We appreciate your support as we make a miracle happen in west Mobile!











VENDOR BID REGISTRATION

Vendors:

Our records indicate you are registered to receive "Invitation to Bids" from Mobile County Public School System. The Mobile County School System is changing the way vendors are notified for Invitation to Bids. Currently, we are sending post card notifications by US Mail to all vendors who are registered.

The NEW NOTIFICATION PROCESS will begin and consist of the vendor receiving an email notification of Invitation to Bids. A web site has been established for vendors to register and select the bid categories from which they want to receive bid invitations. These are the steps you need to take:

- 1. Go to Https://bidreg.mcpss.com/ezregistration.html
- 2. Select "New Applicant" and you will create a user name and password, and then follow the prompts.
- 3. Please note the email bid notifications will be sent from <u>bidnotify@mcpss.com</u> save this in your address directory to prevent email being sent to SPAM.

Even though vendors are currently registered to receive bids, all vendors MUST register in the new database in order to receive an ITB "Invitation to Bid". If you do not register, you will not receive an ITB. Also, all vendors are responsible for maintaining their vendor profile in the database for such things as address, contact info, email, bid categories, etc...... This information needs to stay current to assure you receive ITB's. I would strongly encourage vendors to visit MCPSS.com once a week to be knowledgeable of all bid activity.

Thank you for your cooperation as this will allow us to drastically reduce postage costs and work more efficiently. Please feel free to contact us if you have questions at 251-221-4473.

IMMIGRATION LAW COMPLIANCE

CONFIRMATION REQUEST: AFFIDAVIT OF ALABAMA IMMIGRATION COMPLIANCE

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Employee	Signature				Date	

AOC/Regions Bank

VISA Virtual Card Vendor Enrollment Data Elements

- 1. Vendor Number (Internal Use Only- MCPSS)
- 2. Vendor Name
- 3. Vendor Address
- 4. Accounts Receivable Contact Name
- 5. Accounts Receivable Contact Email
- 6. Accounts Receivable Contact Phone Number

Vendor please provide and complete below:
<u>Vendor Name</u>
<u>Vendor Address</u>
Vendor A/R Contact Name
Vendor A/R Email Address
Vendor A/R Phone Number

If you have any questions please contact Chuck Harben in Accounts Payable 251-221-4437 or email charben@mcpss.com.

Mobile County School Board Accounts Payable Department

What is a Virtual Credit Card?

The District has adopted the use of a VISA Virtual Credit Card powered by AOC/Regions Bank. AOC receives invoice and purchase order details from Accounts Payable and assigns a one-time use credit card number.

The VISA Virtual Credit Card allows the District to pay vendors via a credit card and turn around a vendor payment in a shorter time frame than the current paper check you now receive.

How Does Virtual Credit Card Work?

- After goods are delivered and/or services rendered, vendors submit invoices to the Account Payable Department according to the current process.
- When Accounts Payable has authorization of a match (purchase order and invoice) and the invoice(s) are due for payment according to your current payment terms with the District the payment process begins.
- The vendor then receives an email notification of the payment from the District
- The vendor then logs into a secure site from the email received and puts in the assigned PIN number. Each
 payment notification will include the card number, expiration date, security code, payment amount and invoice
 and/or PO numbers.
- Once the vendor receives the email, the credit card has been authorized to be charged for the amount listed in the email. When the vendor charges the card as authorized in the email, the virtual card will no longer be available for charges. When the next payment is provided the vendor will receive a new card number, security code and expiration date with invoice amount and/or PO number.

What are the Benefits to using the VISA Virtual Card?

- Receive payments 7 -10 days sooner; resulting in a quicker cash flow for day to day operations or investments.
- Reduce the cost of paper processing and employee time spent on preparing and making bank deposits.
- Void the risk of lost or stolen checks
- Quickly reduce outstanding accounts receivable balances.

How do I Participate in the VISA Virtual Card Program?

Simply contact the Mobile County School Board Accounts Payable Department at (251)221-4437 and request to be enrolled in the VISA Virtual Card Program through AOC/Regions Bank.

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VENDOR MINORITY QUESTIONNAIRE

RFP NO#: 23-08

Please complete this form and return it with your bid proposal. Should you choose not to bid at this time, please complete this form and forward back to our office as soon as possible. It is necessary that you check all categories that apply to your company. Failure to comply could result in rejection of your proposal and/or removal of your name from our bidder's list, as we are now required to provide this information to the State Department.

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PRINT NAME:			
TITLE:			
DATE:			

SPECIFICATION VARIANCE SHEET RFP ON: ONLINE SAFETY TRAINING PROGRAM RFP NO: 23-08

If bidding a substitute, bidder must identify in detail the differences on this sheet. Please include any other documents that will support your explanation. Failure to complete this document may result in rejection of bid.

ITEM#	EXPLANATION

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CERTIFICATION

- 1. By signing and submitting this form, the prospective primary participant is providing the certification set out on the reverse side in accordance with these instructions.
- 2. The inability of a person to provide the certification required below will not necessarily result in denial of participation in this covered transaction. The prospective participant shall submit an explanation of why it cannot provide the certification set out on this form. The certification or explanation will be considered in connection with the department or agency's determination whether to enter into this transaction. However, failure of the prospective primary participant to furnish a certification or an explanation shall disqualify such person from participation in this transaction.
- 3. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when the department or agency determined to enter into this transaction. If it is later determined that the prospective primary participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default.
- 4. The prospective primary participant shall provide immediate written notice to the department or agency to whom this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective primary participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reasons of changed circumstances.
- 5. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "lower tier covered transaction", "participant," "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 the rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the department or agency to which this proposal is being submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
- 6. The prospective primary participant agrees by submitting this form 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 entering into this transaction.
- 7. The prospective primary participant further agrees by submitting this form that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion Lower Tier Covered Transactions," provided by the department or agency entering into this covered transaction, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
- 8. 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.
- 9 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.
- 10. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 6 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 may terminate this transaction for cause or default.

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters - Primary Covered Transactions

This certification is required by the regulations implementing Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension, 7 CFR Part 3017, Section 3017.510, Participants' responsibilities. The regulations were published as Part IV of the January 30, 1989, <u>Federal Register</u> (pages 1722-1733). Copies of the regulations may be obtained by contacting the Department of Agriculture agency offering the proposed covered transaction.

(BEFORE COMPLETING CERTIFICATION, READ INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE)

- (1) The prospective primary participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:
 - (a) are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;
 - (b) have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
 - (c) are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1) (b) of this certification; and
 - (d) have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default.
- (2) Where the prospective primary 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	PR/Award Number of Project Name			
Name(s) and Title(s) of Authorized Representative(s)				
Signature(s)	Date			

NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER	ADDRESS	NAME OF PUBLIC OFFICIAL/ PUBLIC EMPLOYEE	STATE DEPARTMENT/ AGENCY WHERE EMPLOYED
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Signature		Date	

2. List below the name(s) and address(es) of all family members of public officials/public employees with whom you, members of your immediate family, or any of your employees have a family relationship and who may directly personally benefit financially from the

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VENDOR DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Information and Instructions

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A copy of the disclosure statement shall be filed with the awarding entity and the Department of Examiners of Public Accounts and if it pertains to a state contract, a copy shall be submitted to the Contract Review Permanent Legislative Oversight Committee. The address for the Department of Examiners of Public Accounts is as follows: 50 N. Ripley Street, Room 3201, Montgomery, Alabama 36130-2101. If the disclosure statement is filed with a contract, the awarding entity should include a copy with the contract when it is presented to the Contract Review Permanent Legislative Oversight Committee.

The State of Alabama shall not enter into any contract or appropriate any public funds with any person who refuses to provide information required by Act 2001-955.

Pursuant to Act 2001-955, any person who knowingly provides misleading or incorrect information on the disclosure statement shall be subject to a civil penalty of ten percent (10%) of the amount of the transaction, not to exceed \$10,000.00. Also, the contract or grant shall be voidable by the awarding entity.

Definitions as Provided in Act 2001-955

Family Member of a Public Employee - The spouse or a dependent of the public employee.

Family Member of a Public Official - The spouse, a dependent, an adult child and his or her spouse, a parent, a spouse's parents, a sibling and his or her spouse, of the public official.

Family Relationship - A person has a family relationship with a public official or public employee if the person is a family member of the public official or public employee.

Person - An individual, firm, partnership, association, joint venture, cooperative, or corporation, or any other group or combination acting in concert.

Public Official and Public Employee - These terms shall have the same meanings ascribed to them in Sections 36-25-1(23) and 36-25-1(24), Code of Alabama 1975, (see below) except for the purposes of the disclosure requirements of this act, the terms shall only include persons in a position to influence the awarding of a grant or contract who are affiliated with the awarding entity. Notwithstanding the foregoing, these terms shall also include the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, members of the cabinet of the Governor, and members of the Legislature.

Section 36-25-1(23), Code of Alabama 1975, defines a public employee as any person employed at the state, county or municipal level of government or their instrumentalities, including governmental corporations and authorities, but excluding employees of hospitals or other health care corporations including contract employees of those hospitals or other health care corporations, who is paid in whole or in part from state, county, or municipal funds. For purposes of this chapter, a public employee does not include a person employed on a part-time basis whose employment is limited to providing professional services other than lobbying, the compensation for which constitutes less than 50 percent of the part-time employee's income.

Section 36-25-1(24), Code of Alabama 1975, defines a public official as any person elected to public office, whether or not that person has taken office, by the vote of the people at state, county, or municipal level of government or their instrumentalities, including governmental corporations, and any person appointed to a position at the state, county, or municipal level of government or their instrumentalities, including governmental corporations. For purposes of this chapter, a public official includes the chairs and vice-chairs or the equivalent offices of each state political party as defined in Section 17-16-2, Code of Alabama 1975.

Instructions

Complete all lines as indicated. If an item does not apply, denote N/A (not applicable). If you cannot include required information in the space provided, attach additional sheets as necessary.

The form must be signed, dated, and notarized prior to submission.



State of Alabama

Disclosure Statement

(Required by Act 2001-955)

ENTITY COMPLETING FORM
ADDRESS
CITY, STATE, ZIP TELEPHONE NUMBER ()
STATE AGENCY/DEPARTMENT THAT WILL RECEIVE GOODS, SERVICES, OR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR GRANT AWARD
ADDRESS
CITY, STATE, ZIP TELEPHONE NUMBER ()
This form is provided with:
Contract Proposal Request for Proposal Invitation to Bid Grant Proposal
Have you or any of your partners, divisions, or any related business units previously performed work or provided goods to any Sta Agency/Department in the current or last fiscal year?
☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, identify below the State Agency/Department that received the goods or services, the type(s) of goods or services previously provided, and the amount received for the provision of such goods or services.
STATE AGENCY/DEPARTMENT TYPE OF GOODS/SERVICES AMOUNT RECEIVED
Have you or any of your partners, divisions, or any related business units previously applied and received any grants from any Sta Agency/Department in the current or last fiscal year?
☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, identify the State Agency/Department that awarded the grant, the date such grant was awarded, and the amount of the grant.
STATE AGENCY/DEPARTMENT DATE GRANT AWARDED AMOUNT OF GRANT
1. List below the name(s) and address(es) of all public officials/public employees with whom you, members of your immediate family, any of your employees have a family relationship and who may directly personally benefit financially from the proposed transactio Identify the State Department/Agency for which the public officials/public employees work. (Attach additional sheets if necessary.)
NAME OF PUBLIC OFFICIAL/EMPLOYEE ADDRESS STATE DEPARTMENT/AGENC

REQUIRED FEDERAL PROVISIONS FOR PROCUREMENT IN CNP PROGRAMS

Title 7: Agriculture

PART 210-NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

Subpart E-State Agency and School Food Authority Responsibilities §210.21 Procurement.

(d) Buy American—

- (1) Definition of domestic commodity or product. In this paragraph (d), the term "domestic commodity or product" means—
 - (i) An agricultural commodity that is produced in the United States; and
 - (ii) A food product that is processed in the United States substantially using agricultural commodities that are produced in the United States.

(2) Requirement.

- (i) In general. Subject to paragraph (d)(2)(ii) of this section, the Department shall require that a school food authority purchase, to the maximum extent practicable, domestic commodities or products.
- (ii) Limitations. Paragraph (d)(2)(i) of this section shall apply only to-
 - (A) A school food authority located in the contiguous United States, and
 - (B) A purchase of domestic commodity or product for the school lunch program under this part.

(f) Cost reimbursable contracts-

- (1) Required provisions. The school food authority must include the following provisions in all cost reimbursable contracts, including contracts with cost reimbursable provisions, and in solicitation documents prepared to obtain offers for such contracts:
 - (i) Allowable costs will be paid from the nonprofit school food service account to the contractor net of all discounts, rebates and other applicable credits accruing to or received by the contractor or any assignee under the contract, to the extent those credits are allocable to the allowable portion of the costs billed to the school food authority;
 - (ii) (A) The contractor must separately identify for each cost submitted for payment to the school food authority the amount of that cost that is allowable (can be paid from the nonprofit school food service account) and the amount that is unallowable (cannot be paid from the nonprofit school food service account); or
 - (B) The contractor must exclude all unallowable costs from its billing documents and certify that only allowable costs are submitted for payment and records have been established that maintain the visibility of unallowable costs, including directly associated costs in a manner suitable for contract cost determination and verification;
 - (iii) The contractor's determination of its allowable costs must be made in compliance with the applicable Departmental and Program regulations and Office of Management and Budget cost circulars;
 - (iv) The contractor must identify the amount of each discount, rebate and other applicable credit on bills and invoices presented to the school food authority for payment and individually identify the amount as a discount, rebate, or in the case of other applicable credits, the nature of the credit. If approved by the State agency, the school food authority may permit the contractor to report this information on a less frequent basis than monthly, but no less frequently than annually;
 - (v) The contractor must identify the method by which it will report discounts, rebates and other applicable credits allocable to the contract that are not reported prior to conclusion of the contract; and
 - (vi) The contractor must maintain documentation of costs and discounts, rebates and other applicable credits, and must furnish such documentation upon request to the school food authority, the State agency, or the Department.
- (2) Prohibited expenditures. No expenditure may be made from the nonprofit school food service account for any cost resulting from a cost reimbursable contract that fails to include the requirements of this section, nor may any expenditure be made from the nonprofit school food service account that permits or results in the contractor receiving payments in excess of the contractor's actual, net allowable costs.

(g) Geographic preference.

- (1) A school food authority participating in the Program, as well as State agencies making purchases on behalf of such school food authorities, may apply a geographic preference when procuring unprocessed locally grown or locally raised agricultural products. When utilizing the geographic preference to procure such products, the school food authority making the purchase or the State agency making purchases on behalf of such school food authorities have the discretion to determine the local area to which the geographic preference option will be applied;
- (2) For the purpose of applying the optional geographic procurement preference in paragraph (g)(1) of this section, "unprocessed locally grown or locally raised agricultural products" means only those agricultural products that retain their inherent character. The effects of the following food handling and preservation techniques shall not be considered as changing an agricultural product into a product of a different kind or character. Cooling; refrigerating; freezing; size adjustment made by peeling, slicing, dicing, cutting, chopping, shucking, and grinding; forming ground products into patties without any additives or fillers; drying/dehydration; washing; packaging (such as placing eggs in cartons), vacuum packing and bagging (such as placing vegetables in bags or combining two or more types of vegetables or fruits in a single package); the addition of ascorbic acid or other preservatives to prevent oxidation of produce; butchering livestock and poultry; cleaning fish; and the pasteurization of milk.

In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g. Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.), should contact the Agency (State or local) where they applied for benefits. Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

To file a program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, (AD-3027) found online at: http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html, and at any USDA office, or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by:

(1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture

Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights

1400 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;

(2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or

(3) email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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REQUIRED FEDERAL PROVISIONS FOR PROCUREMENT IN CNP PROGRAMS

Title 2: Grants and Agreements

PART 200—UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS, COST PRINCIPLES, AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS Subpart F—Audit Requirements Appendix II to Part 200—Contract Provisions for Non-Federal Entity Contracts Under Federal Awards

In addition to other provisions required by the Federal agency or non-Federal entity, all contracts made by the non-Federal entity under the Federal award must contain provisions covering the following, as applicable.

- (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.
- (B) All contracts in excess of \$10,000 must address termination for cause and for convenience by the non-Federal entity including the manner by which it will be effected and the basis for settlement.
- (C) Equal Employment Opportunity. Except as otherwise provided under 41 CFR Part 60, all contracts that meet the definition of "federally assisted construction contract" in 41 CFR Part 60-1.3 must include the equal opportunity clause provided under 41 CFR 60-1.4(b), in accordance with Executive Order 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity" (30 FR 12319, 12935, 3 CFR Part, 1964-1965 Comp., p. 339), as amended by Executive Order 11375, "Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," and implementing regulations at 41 CFR part 60, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor,"
- (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.
- (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.
- (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.
- (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).
- (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 governmentwide 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.
- (I) Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352)—Contractors that apply or bid for an award exceeding \$100,000 must file the required certification. 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 must also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the non-Federal award.
- (J) See \$200.322 Procurement of recovered materials. A non-Federal entity that is a state agency or agency of a political subdivision of a state and its contractors must comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000 or the value of the quantity acquired during the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery, and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines.

MINIMUM SPECIFICAITONS ONLINE SAFETY TRAINING PROGRAM

I Intent of Bid

A. The intent of this RFP is to establish a contract between the Board and a bidder that specializes in K-12 web based Online Safety Training Program" as described herein. This online training program is to facilitate and broaden the horizons and awareness of employee safety and risk control in an effort to minimize incidents, claims and lawsuits.

The offeror(s) shall provide a turnkey web-based application system including hardware, software, all appropriate licenses and components, and implementation of the online risk management employee safety training program.

B. **Background**. The Mobile County Public School System (MCPSS) currently contracts out with Vector Solutions. MCPSS serves over 56,000 +/- students at 88 schools and approximately 7500 +/- employees.

II Oualifications of Bidders

A. Proposals will be accepted only from firms engaged on full time basis in the web-based safety software supply business and must be the manufacturer or the manufacturers authorized dealer.

III Delivery and Method of Award

- A. Contract will be awarded to the most responsible bidder who has demonstrated to be the most advantageous and best value to MCPSS. This will be determined through the evaluation method listed, and through interviews (if necessary). It is the sole discretion of MCPSS to determine if the bidder is responsible under the terms and conditions set forth in the RFP. Furthermore, it is MCPSS sole discretion to terminate this agreement, or not to renew contract or make an award. MCPSS reserves the right to negotiate the pricing for years four (4) and five (5) if both parties agree.
- B. Proposals will be evaluated on a combination of factors. The evaluation factors are (1) price, (2) technical capability and (3) business stability and (4) exceptions or modifications.
- C. Bidders <u>must</u> submit the following information in with their proposal: 3 Copies of Proposal 1 Original and 2 copies and one (1) flash drive. If there are any discrepancies in copies, the hard copy will prevail.
- D. Preparing Proposal: Submit proposals in four sections Price, Technical Capability, Business Stability and Exceptions. The entire response must be in the order and indexed to the follow the RFP.
- E. Include in the response, an executive summary not more than one (1) page stating the offeror's overview of the project. This needs to be the first page in front of the four sections.
- F. Oral/Interview/Demonstration. MCPSS may require the qualified bidders that are considered in the competitive range to participate in an oral interview/demonstration of their proposal and answer any questions MCPSS may have. Any cost incurred are the responsibility of the bidder.
- G. A separate contract will be required

SECTION I - TECHNICAL CAPABILITIES

A. METHODOLOGY

In this section, the offeror shall describe in detail the methodology and procedures that are to be used to accomplish the MCPSS requirements for this RFP. This should include planning, training, coordination, and problem solving. Also, this section shall include any information on your system that will assist in the understanding of what the offeror proposes to do and provide, but not limited to, background and purpose of system; why your system is the best product for MCPSS purposes and how the roll-out of your system will be accomplished. Provide an outline of the organization that will be employed. The organization outline should clearly describe the numbers and professional category of personnel to be employed, the chain of command of the organization (including the names of key personnel and resumes), and any other details that will aid in understanding how the job is proposed to be accomplished.

It shall be the responsibility of the selected offeror to meet specifications and guidelines set forth herein.

B. CAPABILITIES

The Offeror and its web-based employee safety training program shall provide usual and customary online employee safety training and compliance services that shall include, at a minimum, the following

Topics/ MCPSS would like to see in the online Course Training in these areas.

- Safety and Awareness
- Security
- Human Resources
- Health and Wellness
- CNP (Child Nutrition Program)
- Social Services
- Information Technology
- Transportation

Specific Training but not limited to:

The Offeror should demonstrate the ability to meet the following needs through their proposed safety program training:

- (1) School/District focused training, demonstrating scenarios that are specific to the K-12 education context.
- (2) Content that is engaging, easy to understand and thorough.
- (3) Extensive library on various topics subjects, to include at a minimum:
 - a. Safe lifting techniques
 - b. Slips, trips and falls prevention
 - c. Strain prevention
 - d. Safe driving techniques
 - e. New hire training
 - f. Job-specific training
 - g. 2- Hour EPA Required Asbestos Awareness Training
 - h. Bloodborne Pathogens
 - i. Cyber security
 - j. Active shooter bullying
- (4) Post-training quizzes to test employee knowledge following completion of a unit.
- (5) Ability to track employee sessions and completion of content.
- (6) Report generation (training assigned, training completed, quiz results, etc.).
- (7) Ability to integrate with the district's active directory (ability to sync with MCPSS as new employees arrive).
- (8) Automatic e-mail notifications to staff, notifying them of assigned training and notifying reviewer of completed training.
- (9) Training material written up by prominent authority.
- (10) Multi-media presentation capability.
- (11) Select content available in Spanish.
- (12) Ability to add custom MCPSS content to platform.

Note: The Offeror shall provide a login to view a demo version of their proposed product for MCPSS staff to review as a part of their evaluation of the proposal.

Safety Program Support/Maintenance

The Offeror must demonstrate the ability to provide proper support for their product.

- 1. Provide customer service as needed via a helpline, help tutorials, etc.
- 2. Maintain a system uptime of 99% or better.
- 3. Supports single sign-on using the District employees' credentials.

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Successful K-12 Implementation

A product that is customized to the K-12 space is a critical part of this program. The Offeror should demonstrate experience in successfully implementing similar programs at other school districts.

- 1. Provide two (2) examples of successful implementation in similar districts. Include type of services provided, brief explanation of rollout and a description of results in the sample districts.
- 2. Demonstrate a minimum of 5 years' experience providing this or similar service.
- 3. Have the ability to implement Operational System within 45 days from date of PO.

SECTION II - BUSINESS STABILITY

- A. History and Organizational Structure of the Firm Provide a cover letter introducing the company and including the corporate name, address and telephone number of the corporate headquarters and local office. The name and phone number of one individual who will be the company's primary contact with MCPSS for contract negotiation and the name of the project manager. A brief history of the company and the present organizational structure of the firm describing the management organization, permanent employees by discipline, and this project's coordination structure; if the firm is a partnership, indicate the name of all partners, if incorporated indicate where and when. If the Contractor has changed names or incorporation status within the last five (5) years, then please list all of such preceding organizations and a brief reason for the change. Contractor shall also provide a business license indicating that the Contractor can conduct business in Mobile County, Alabama. Further, Contractor shall provide documentation showing that the Contractor is properly registered to conduct business in the State of Alabama. Contractor acknowledges and agrees that any business license and registration must remain current for the duration of the contract and such documents are material term to this agreement.
- B. Financial Status Describe the financial status of the firm; include the audited financial statements (income statements and balance sheets) for the past two (2) accounting years.
- C. References List as references (names, address, contact persons and toll-free phone numbers) a minimum of three (3) clients (K-12) of similar size and nature to MCPSS for which a project was completed within the last three (3) years. A brief description of the services provided shall accompany each reference.
- **D.** Subcontractors Indicate the names and addresses and degree of utilization of any and all subcontractors which would be used in the performance of this contract.
- E. Previous Default Indicate if you or any predecessor organization have ever defaulted on a contract or been denied a bid due to non-responsibility to perform. If so, provide the facts and circumstances. If your firm or any successor organization is now involved in or has been involved in any litigation in the past ten (10) years, please list the parties to the litigation, the civil action number and a brief explanation of the matter. Indicate whether or not your company, any subsidiary, or any related division or entity has ever defaulted on a contract with MCPSS or has ever been involved in any litigation with MCPSS.

If yes, please provide details.

SECTION III - PRICE

In this section, the Offeror shall outline all components of the system for purchase and implementation and complete the Pricing Schedule that identifies all pricing elements proposed to accomplish the MCPSS requirements. Pricing should reflect access rights for a baseline of 7500 employees and include a price per license above 7500 employees.

F. EVALUATION FACTORS

NO.	FACTOR	POINTS		
SECTION I	TECHNICAL CAPABILITY			
Section I-A	Methodology	10		
Section I-B	Capabilities/Past History	40		
SECTION II	BUSINESS STABILITY	20		
SECTION III	PRICE	30		
TOTAL		100		

IV Insurance

When the responsive and responsible Contractor has been identified, he or she will be notified of the necessity to provide required insurance. Proof of insurance shall be provided within five (5) days of the date of written notification to the Contractor. Providing proof of and maintaining the insurance coverage indicated below will be reviewed as part of the Contractor's qualifications, including but not limited to whether the Contractor is responsive or responsible.

The following general requirements apply to any and all work under this contract by all Contractors and Subcontractors of any tier.

VENDOR INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

The vendor shall carry insurance of the following kinds and amounts (exceptions are noted) in addition to any other forms of insurance or bonds required by law and under the terms of the bid specifications. The vendor shall procure, prior to bid award and maintain for the duration of the agreement or as later indicated, insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with this agreement by the vendor, his agents, representatives, employees, or sub-contractors. Failure to provide insurance requirements as specified in "Instructions to Bidders" and Bid Specifications may be considered as being non-responsive to bid. Vendor shall submit to the Mobile County Public Schools, their Certificate of Insurance five days prior to award or earlier.

A. MINIMUM SCOPE OF INSURANCE:

1. General Liability:

Insurance will be written on an occurrence basis. Claims-made coverage will be accepted only on an exception basis after approval from the Procurement Director,

Commercial General Liability:

Products and Completed Operations Contractual Personal Injury Explosion, Collapse and Underground Broad Form Property Damage

2. Automobile Liability:

Business Automobile Liability providing coverage for all owned, hired and non-owned autos. Coverage for loading and unloading shall be provided under either automobile liability or general liability policy forms.

3. Workers' Compensation Insurance:

Statutory protection against bodily injury, sickness, disease or death sustained by an employee in the scope of employment. Protection shall be provided by a commercial insurance company or a recognized self-insurance fund authorized before the State of Alabama Industrial Board of Relations.

4. Employers Liability Insurance:

Covering common law claims of injured employees made in lieu of or in addition to a worker's compensation claim.

B. LIMITS OF INSURANCE:

1. General Liability:

Commercial General Liability on an "occurrence form" for bodily injury and property damage:

\$2,000,000	General Aggregate Limit
\$1,000,000	Products - Completed Operations Aggregate
\$1,000,000	Personal & Advertising Injury
\$1,000,000	Each Occurrence
\$1,000,000	Fire Damage (when applicable)

2. Automobile Liability:

\$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit per accident for bodily injury and property damage.

3. Workers' Compensation:

As Required by the State of Alabama Statute

4. Employers Liability:

\$100,000 Bodily Injury by Accident or Disease \$500,000 Policy Limit by Disease

C. OTHER INSURANCE PROVISIONS:

The Purchasing Director is hereby authorized to adjust the requirements set forth in this document in the event it is determined that such adjustment is in the Mobile County Schools' best interest. If the insurance requirements are not adjusted by the Purchasing Director prior to the Mobile County Schools' release of bid specifications, then the limits stated herein shall apply.

1. General Liability and Automobile Liability Coverage Only:

a. The vendor's insurance shall apply separately to each insured against whom claim is made or suit is brought, except with respect to the insurer's liability.

2. All Coverage:

a. Vendors are responsible to pay all deductibles. Each insurance policy required by this clause shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be suspended, voided, canceled by either party, reduced in coverage or in limits except after thirty (30) days' prior written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, has been given to the Mobile County Schools. Cancellation of coverage for non-payment of premium will require ten (10) days' written notice to the Mobile County Schools.

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D. ACCEPTABILITY OF INSURERS:

Insurance is to be placed with insurers with an A.M. Best's rating of no less than B+V.

E. VERIFICATION OF COVERAGE:

The Mobile County Schools shall be indicated as a Certificate Holder and the vendor shall furnish the Mobile County Schools with Certificates of Insurance reflecting the coverage required by this document. The A.M. Best Rating and deductibles, if applicable, shall be indicated on the Certificate of Insurance for each insurance policy. The certificates for each insurance policy are to be received and approved by the Mobile County Schools before contract is awarded. The Mobile County Schools reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies at any time.

F. PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY

The Contractor shall procure and maintain during the life of the contract Professional Liability Insurance coverage with a minimum amount of \$5,000,000.00 including coverage for errors and omissions caused by Contractor's negligence in the performance of its duties under this contract. The policy shall include independent contractors providing professional services on behalf of the Offeror. Liability under a contract of professional services must be covered. Further, coverage shall be afforded for fraudulent acts, misappropriation of trade secrets, internet professional services, computer attacks, personal injury, regulatory actions, wrongful acts, contractual liability, privacy policy, and insured versus insured. Offeror shall ensure that coverage under this policy continues for a period of thirty-six (36) months after completion of services.

The Contractor shall procure and maintain Umbrella Insurance with limits of liability excess of Employer's Liability Insurance, Commercial General Liability Insurance and Automobile Liability Insurance in the amount of not less than \$3,000,000.

The obligations for the Offeror to procure and maintain insurance shall not be construed to waive or restrict other obligations and it is understood that insurance in no way limits liability of the Offeror, whether or not same is covered by insurance.

V Terms of Payment

- A. While it is the intent of the Board of School Commissioners to pay all bills within thirty (30) days, there may be times when this strict requirement cannot be adhered to, as payment is normally processed approximately thirty (30) days from final approvals of receipts and verified invoices. Should a contestment result regarding quality, terms, etc., the thirty (30) days would appear after the matter has been cleared. Payment may be expedited by providing original invoices and/or certified copies of an original, should a copy be the only thing available. If a copy is used, certification must state "true, correct, and unpaid original invoice", and signed by an official of the company.
- B. District personnel may choose to use a VISA® Virtual Credit Card Program through AOC/Regions Bank for invoice payments in place of a check to pay for purchases from this solicitation. Unless exception is noted in the bid response, the bidder by submitting a bid agrees to accept the VISA® Virtual Credit card process, as an acceptable form of payment and may not add additional service fees/handling charges to purchases made with the VISA® Virtual Credit card. Refusal to accept this condition may cause your bid to be declared non-responsive. (See the attached E-Payables explanation and the VISA Virtual Card vendor enrollment data elements form.)
- C. The above stated terms of payment are the only terms which the Board will consider. Any bid submitted which does not comply with our stated terms will not be considered for award.

VI Questions

All questions and/or correspondence during the entire proposal process shall be directed to MCPSS, Purchasing Dept., Russell Hudson @ 251-221-4473 or e-mail rhudson@mcpss.com

BID ON: RFP ONLINE SAFETY TRAINING PROGRAM RFP NO: 23-08 OPENED: FEBRUARY 27, 2023 @ 2:00 PM

TOTAL COST	€	\$	€	€	€	€	€	€	€\$
MFR/BRAND SOFTWARE VERSION									
DESCRIPTION	Online Safety Training Software Fee	Installation/Implementation	Professional Services/Training	Other (attach additional sheet if needed)	Annual Maintenance & Support - 1st yea and Licensing for 7500 employees	Annual Maintenance & Support - 2nd year and Licensing for 7500 employees	Annual Maintenance & Support - 3rd year and Licensing for 7500 employees	Price per License above 7500	Grand Total
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