

231-RCSS-760-05222022 Statement of Qualifications and Requests for Proposals

Lawn Services

Randolph County School System will receive proposals for Lawn Services at: 2222-C South Fayetteville Street Asheboro, NC 27205 336-633-5000 dbrinkley@randolph.k12.nc.us

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL BIDDERS / PROPOSERS: Randolph County School System reserves the right to disqualify incomplete proposals, waive minor defects, as it deems applicable, in the written proposals, to request additional information from any respondent, change or modify the scope of the project at any time, without any penalty, negotiate terms with one or more of the respondents, reject any or all proposals, without a penalty, and take any steps necessary to act in RCSS's best interest. Bids / proposals will not be considered for award if received by Randolph County School System after the official closing date and time.

RANDOLPH COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR LAWN SERVICES

Proposal will be for a twelve (12) month period beginning on or about July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023. The proposal includes an option to renew for four consecutive one-year periods upon mutual agreement between RCSS and the successful vendor.

The requirements for submitting a proposal are stated in the Request for Proposal (RFP). All inquiries regarding this RFP should be directed to Dale Brinkley, email dbrinkley@randolph.k12.nc.us

All signed and sealed hard copy proposals are due at the RCSS Administrative Office, 2222-C South Fayetteville Street, Asheboro NC 27205, no later than June 10, 2022, 2:00 PM. There will not be a public opening.

A mandatory pre-proposal conference will be held on June 1 at 9:00 AM in the central services maintenance conference room, 2234-B Enterprise Street Asheboro NC 27205 for all interested bidders.

Minority businesses are encouraged to submit bids for this project. The RCSS Board of Education awards public contracts without regard to race, religion, color, creed, national origin, sex, age or handicapped condition as defined by North Carolina General Statutes, Section 168A-3.

The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids presented and to waive any informalities and irregularities.

RCSS reserves the right to reject any and all proposals not considered to be in the best interest of RCSS, to negotiate with one or more of the companies submitting proposals, or to reject all proposals.

THE PROCUREMENT PROCESS

The following is a general description of the process by which a firm will be selected to provide services.

- 1. The deadline for written questions is June 6, 2022.
- 2. Bids shall be signed and dated by an official authorized to bind the firm. Unsigned bids will not be considered.
- 3. All bids must be received by the issuing agency not later than June 10, 2022
- 4. Bids will be evaluated according to completeness, content, experience with similar projects, ability of the offeror and its staff, and cost. Award of a contract to one offeror does not mean that the other bids lacked merit, but that, all factors considered, the selected bid was deemed most advantageous to the Randolph County School System.
- 5. Offerors are cautioned that this is a request for bids, not a request to contract, and the Randolph County School System reserves the right to reject any and all unqualified offers when such rejection is deemed to be in the best interest of the Randolph County School System.

PROPOSAL

The undersigned, as bidder, hereby declares that this proposal is made without connection with any other person, company, or parties making a similar bid or proposal, and that the proposal is in all respects fair and in good faith, without collusion or fraud.

The bidder has carefully examined the annexed form of specifications and instructions to bidders and hereby declares that he will complete the work as called for in the manner prescribed in the specifications and instructions to bidders for the following prices:

Printed Name of Firm Representative	
Printed Name of Firm Representative	
Title	
Name of Firm Submitting Proposal	
Firm Address	
Telephone Number	
Email Address	

Overview

Randolph County School System is seeking proposals from Contractors who are not only capable of performing the attached scope of work but are also take pride in their finished product. All applicable federal, state, and local laws, ordinances and regulations must be adhered to. Services to commence on or about July 1, 2022

Contractors submitting a proposal should review the procurement requirements listed. Specifically, the selected Contractor will be required to:

- Execute a Master Services Agreement with the Randolph County School System;
- Complete applicable forms and certifications;
- Maintain General Liability Insurance (\$1,000,000 minimum); Workers Compensation Insurance (\$500,000) and business automobile liability (\$1,000,000) and furnish proof of such insurance;
- Bidders are requested to provide the necessary manpower and equipment to provide weekly lawn services to multiple school locations.
- This will be a one-year contract with a renewal option of up to four one-year terms. This option shall be at the discretion of Randolph County School System and shall be submitted in writing with any changes in pricing or terms accurately reflected at the expiration of each one-year term.
- Pricing cannot exceed a 3% increase per annum, nor shall the price increase a total of 5% over the life of this contract

Bidders are required to attend a pre-proposal meeting June 1, at 9am at 2234-B Enterprise Street, Asheboro NC 27205 when staff will review regulations, requirements, and answer questions. School site visits will follow the meeting.

I. Scope of Work:

Bidders are requested to review the location, description, and frequency of services to be provided in the tables below

Table 1: Services to be performed at all locations				
Work to be Performed	Description	Frequency		
Mowing	Each school	Weekly or as needed		
Weed Eating	Each school	Weekly or as needed		
Edging of Sidewalks and	Each school	Weekly or as needed		
Curbing				
Weed Spraying	Each school	Monthly or as needed		
Bush Trimming/Pruning	Each school	Twice per year		
Aeration & Fertilization		N/A		
Blowing grass debris off	Each school	Weekly or as needed		
parking lots, catch basins,				
and side walks				

II. Limitations of Mowing (Applicable to all Locations)

- a. All disturbed areas around the site should be restored
- b. Trash should be picked up and disposed of properly before mowing commences. Under no circumstances should trash be mowed.
- c. Under no circumstances should mowing take place in the rain or through standing water
- d. Grass clippings/ leaves shall not be blown towards parked vehicles at Randolph County School System Facilities
- e. Grass clippings/ leaves shall be directed away from traffic (human or vehicle), streets, building structures, mulch beds and windows.
- f. Any damage to Randolph County School System property or public and/or personal property shall be the responsibility of the winning bidder to repair and/or replace.
- g. The lawn care contractor is required to produce in writing, which can be an emailed statement, the dates mowed at the project site.
- h. All areas around trees, shrubs, buildings, posts, fences, flower beds, sidewalks and curbs will be edged with power edger and or lawn trimmers after each mow.
- i. The driveways, parking areas, sidewalks, curbs, and other hard surfaces shall be kept free of leaves, litter, and debris. The use of power blowers is acceptable, however, accumulations of debris must be removed from the site and not blown onto adjacent property, street surfaces, sewer drains, fence lines or planting areas.
- j. Undesired vegetation in sidewalks, curbs, cracks, and other hard surfaces need to be maintained so, there are no weeds growing in them. Contractor can use herbicides on them or cut them with a weed trimmer. Weed control spray should be no more than 2-4 inches wide from edge of buildings and sidewalks.
- k. Mow all grass in all common areas of the property completely to maintain a uniform height not to exceed between 3 to 4 inches.
- 1. Use trimmers in locations where mowers cannot reach vegetation.
- m. Ruts, holes, and other disfigurement of mowed areas caused by mowing equipment shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to repair to original condition.
- p. Landscape Maintenance work shall be performed during the regular hours of 6 A.M. through 8P.M. Monday thru Sunday unless otherwise specified/approved by Operations / Maintenance due to uncontrollable weather situations.

III. Qualifications

- a. Bidders shall have a valid pesticide and herbicide license as well as follow all state and federal regulations in regards to lawn service.
- b. All equipment shall have the proper safety equipment including but not limited to guards to prevent injury and or damage to people, Randolph County School System facilities, and/or vehicles parked at Randolph County School System Facilities

IV. Modification of Scope of Work

a. Any change in frequency or scope of work must be coordinated with the Operations / Maintenance department.

V. Terms & Conditions

- i. Payments Shall be net 30 and shall be billed on a monthly basis
- ii. Commercial General Liability -Successful vendor will be required to provide proof of bodily and injury and property damage liability that will protect the contractor and any subcontractor performing work under this contract from claims of bodily injury or property damage which arise from operation of Services described in this RFP, whether such operations are performed by contractor, any subcontractor or any one directly or indirectly employed by either. The amounts of such insurance will not be less than \$1,000,000 bodily injury each occurrence/aggregate and \$1,000,000 property damage each occurrence/aggregate or

\$1,000,000 bodily injury and property damage combined single limits each occurrence/aggregate.

iii. Automobile Liability.

Successful vendor will be required to provide proof of bodily injury and property damage liability coverage all owned, non-owned and hired automobiles for limits of not less than \$1,000,000 bodily injury each person, each accident and

\$1,000,000 property damage, or \$1,000,000 combined single limit each occurrence/aggregate.

iv. Workers Compensation

Meeting the statutory requirements of the State of North Carolina and Employers Liability - \$100,000 per accident limit,

\$500,000 disease per policy limit, \$100,000 disease each employee limit, providing coverage for employers and owners.

Randolph County School System Locations

School	Address	Monthly Cost	Yearly Cost
Hopewell Elementary	6294 Welborn Rd. Trinity NC 27370		
Archdale Elementary	207 Trindale Road Archdale NC 27263		
John R. Lawrence Elementary	6068 Suits Road Archdale, NC 27263		
Grays Chapel Elementary	5322 NC HWY 22 N. Franklinville, NC 27248		
Trinity Elementary	5457 Braxton Craven Rd. Trinity, NC 27370		
Trindale Elementary	400 Balfour Drive Archdale, NC 27263		
Tabernacle Elementary	4901 Tabernacle Rd. Asheboro, NC 27205		
Ramseur Elementary	6755 Jordan Road Ramseur, NC 27316		
Level Cross Elementary	5417 Old Greensboro Rd. Randleman, NC 27317		
Coleridge Elementary	4528 NC Hwy. 22 South Ramseur, NC 27316		
New Market Elementary	6096 US Hwy. 311 Sophia, NC 27350		
Southmont Elementary	2497 Southmont School Rd. Asheboro, NC 27205		
Franklinville Elementary	162 Pine Street Franklinville, NC 27248		
Farmer Elementary	2557 Grange Hall Rd. Asheboro, NC 27205		
Liberty Elementary	206 N. Fayetteville Street Liberty, NC 27298		
Randleman Elementary Seagrove Elementary	100 Swaim St. Randleman, NC 27317 528 Old Plank Rd.		
Trinity Middle	Seagrove, NC 27341		
Wheatmore Middle	5271 Surrett Drive, Archdale, NC 27263		
Randleman Middle	5105 Archdale Rd. Trinity, NC 27370		
	800 High Point St. Randleman, NC 27317		
	3493 Ramseur Julian Rd Liberty 27298		

School	Address	Monthly Cost	Yearly Cost
Southwestern Randolph Middle	1509 Hopewell Friends Rd. Asheboro, NC 27205		
Uwharrie Ridge 6-12	1463 Pleasant Union Rd. Trinity, NC 27370		
Southeastern Randolph Middle	5302 Foushee Rd. Ramseur, NC 27316		
Wheatmore HS	3678 Finch Farm Rd. Trinity, NC 27370		
Trinity HS	6068 Suits Rd. Archdale, NC 27263		
Randleman HS	4396 Tigers Den Rd. Randleman, NC 27317		
Providence Grove HS	5555 Mack Lineberry Rd. Climax, NC 27233		
Southwestern Randolph HS	1641 Hopewell Friends Rd. Asheboro, NC 27205		
Eastern Randolph HS	390 Eastern Randolph Rd. Ramseur, NC 27316		
Braxton Craven	7037 NC-62, Trinity, NC 27370		
Total Cost			

LAWN SERVICES REFERENCES

Reference #1

- Vendor Name:
- Vendor Address:
- Contact Name:
- Phone Number:

Email Address:

Reference #2

- Vendor Name:
- Vendor Address:
- Contact Name:
- Phone Number:
- Email Address:

Reference #3

- Vendor Name:
- Vendor Address:
- Contact Name:
- Phone Number:
- Email Address: