

Listing Information/Advertisement

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the **Benton County School District** will accept bids via a **REVERSE AUCTION** for the purchase of iPad Computer Tablets, Laptops, and Accessories on May 16, 2025, at 10:00 am. There is no cost to the bidder to submit a bid. The reverse auction will be live at the Office of the Superintendent of Education, 231 Court St., Ashland, MS 38603 or by Electronic Bid at Central Bidding www.centralbidding.com until 10:00 a.m. on Friday, May 16, 2025 for the following:

Bid Number (#051625): Procurement of iPad Computer Tablets, Laptop, & Accessories by Reverse Auction

Specifications may be obtained from the Office of the Benton County Superintendent of Education, 231 Court St., Ashland, MS 38603 or by calling (662) 224-6252. Official documents can also be downloaded from Central Bidding at www.centralbidding.com. For questions related to the electronic bid process call Central Bidding at 225-810-4814. Other inquiries regarding the bid should be directed to the Purchasing Agent, Annette McCoy by emailing amccoy@benton.k12.ms.us. Inquiries regarding the specifications should be directed to the Technology Director, Tom Stewart by emailing tstewart@benton.k12.ms.us with the bid title noted in the subject line (Bid Number (#051625): Procurement of iPad Computer Tablets, Laptop, & Accessories by Reverse Auction).

The Benton County Board of Education reserves the right to accept/reject any and all request proposals and waives informalities. No Proposal may be withdrawn for a period of ninety days after scheduled opening.

Regina Biggers Ed.D., Superintendent

Benton County School District

Advertise: Wednesday, April 30, 2025

Wednesday, May 7, 2025

Benton County School District
231 Court Street
Ashland, MS 38603
(662) 224-6252 www.benton.k12.ms.us



ITB #051625 – iPad Computer Tablets, Accessories, & Laptop

Bid Opening

April 30, 2025

Bid Submission Deadline

May 16, 2025 10:00 am

Reverse Auction Zoom Call

May 16, 2025 9:00 am to 10:00 am

Bid Award Date

May 19, 2025

Contact

Ms. Annette McCoy, Business Manager

amccoy@benton.k12.ms.us

Mr. Tom Stewart, Technology Director

tstewart@benton.k12.ms.us

Benton County School District (BCSD)

ITB #051625 – iPad Computer Tablets, Accessories, and Laptop

To All Interested Bidders:

The Benton County School District is soliciting bids by reverse auction for iPad Computer Tablets, Accessories, and Laptop from 9:00am to 10:00 am on May 16, 2025, at www.centralbidding.com or vendors may participate in the reverse auction bid process by Zoom invite. The Zoom information will be posted to <https://www.benton.k12.ms.us/rfps> by May15, 2025. Bids received after the deadline will not be accepted.

Do Not Fax or Email Bids.

Discussions and negotiations may be necessary but are not a required component of this procurement. The successful bidder will be notified in writing and/or by phone call. Equipment shall not be shipped until Benton County School District issues an official purchase order.

We reserve the right to reject any or all submitted bids. The District reserves the right to conduct discussions with bidders regarding bids determined to be potentially selected for award, but bids may be accepted without such discussions. The award will be made to the bidder submitting the lowest, and best, bid as determined by the Benton County School District and as approved by the Benton County School District Board of Trustees. District reserves the right to waive informalities, as it deems appropriate.

Schedule of Events

Event	Date
ITB Release	April 30, 2025
Newspaper Advertisement	April 30, 2025 May 7, 2025
Reverse Auction Zoom Call	May 16, 2025 9:00 am to 10:00 am
Bid Awarded	May 19, 2025

Inquiries

All inquiries or correspondence regarding this ITB process must be sent via email to Ms. Annette McCoy at amccoy@benton.k12.ms.us. All questions and answers will be posted on the Benton County School's Requests for Proposals website at <https://www.benton.k12.ms.us/rfps>.

If a vendor Annette McCoy at (662) 224-6252 to confirm that the email was received.

Criteria for Selection

BCSD will utilize the following criteria as the basis for bid evaluations and selection.

Factor	Weight
Total Bid Price	70%
Bidder Experience	30%
Total:	100%

Benton County School District reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and the right to award by line item.

This ITB package consists of the following sections:

- I. General Conditions
- II. Technical Specifications
- III. Bid Forms

I. General Conditions

The following are General Conditions for the equipment to be purchased as outlined in the Technical Specifications.

1. Scope of Work

- 1.50 11-inch iPad Wi-Fi 128 G with 3 year care warranty
- 2. 2 CUBE Cart AC 36 Charging Cart
- 3. 1 15-inch MacBook Air: Apple M4 chip with 10-core CPU and 10-core GPU, 24GB, 512 GB SSD

Modifications to this ITB are not permitted without prior written approval from Benton County School District.

2. Pricing

All pricing must be clearly stated and must include any and all additional charges for shipping, handling, transportation, etc. Please be advised that public schools are specifically exempted from the payment of Mississippi Sales Tax.

It is the intent of Benton County School District to purchase new equipment. Bids will only be considered valid if the quoted items are in new, unused condition. Additionally, BCSD desires to purchase the latest version of the specified computer equipment.

In the case of discrepancy in computed bid pricing, the unit price shall govern, and the total price shall be revised accordingly.

Bid prices shall remain valid for 120 days after the scheduled opening date.

3. Withdrawal of Bid

Requests to withdraw a bid after it has been submitted must be made in writing and received by BCSD prior to the scheduled bid award date. Bids may not be withdrawn after the scheduled award date.

4. Delivery of Equipment

Delivery must be scheduled in advance with the Benton County School District Technology Department by calling 662-224-6252 during normal business hours of 7:30am to 4:30pm (Central Time), Monday Friday.

II. Technical Specifications

1. 50 11-inch iPad Wi-Fi 128 G with 3 year care warranty
2. 2 CUBE Cart AC 36 Charging Cart
3. 1 15-inch MacBook Air: Apple M4 chip with 10-core CPU and 10-core GPU, 24GB, 512 GB SSD

III. Bid Forms

1. Bid Submission Form

Bid Submission Form

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Quantity & Description	Unit Price	Total Price
50 11-inch iPad Wi-Fi 128 G with 3 year care warranty	_____	_____
2 CUBE Cart AC 36 Charging Cart	_____	_____
1 15-inch MacBook Air: Apple M4 chip with 10-core CPU and 10-core GPU, 24GB, 512 GB SSD	_____	_____

Company Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

Printed Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

THE REVERSE AUCTION WILL BE HELD AT 10AM ON MAY 16, 2025.