

## **Information Item No.1**

## Date of Information Item No.1: December 08, 2022

Arlington Public Schools Procurement Office	
Invitation to Bid Title:	Backflow Prevention Device Inspection and Testing, CCTV Inspection and Plumbing Repair Services
Invitation to Bid Number:	13FY23
Invitation to Bid Issue Date:	November 18, 2022
Pre-Bid Conference:	A Pre-Bid Conference will not be held for this Solicitation
<b>Bid Closing Date/Time:</b>	December 12, 2022, No Later Than 11:59 P.M. (EST)
<b>Bid Opening Date/Time:</b>	December 13, 2022, at 10:00 A.M. (EST)
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• The following information is provided to help Bidders submit a Bid in response to ITB No. 13FY23:

**Q1.** Are the schools considering Biosafety/Biosecurity or Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) cost for this job? If so, which one? Considering the performance of this job could be around infections agents and toxins therefore the workers and people in contact with it could be exposed to mention agents if they are not protected.

A1. We would expect vendors would have appropriate PPE from safety glasses to trench safety shoring. The cost of PPE should be included in their bid.

**Q2**. Will you accept Bids to be submitted via email or at the Syphax Education Center by mail, express mail, in person, or by courier?

- A2. No, Bidders must submit mandatory requirements found in the Instruction to Bidders, Section 27.1 of the ITB, into the Platform through the link found on the Current Solicitations webpage under the Procurement Office website. Found under the Due Date column for ITB 13FY23 of the Current Solicitations table is a link for Bidders to submit their Bid. ("Link to submit Bid ITB 13FY23"). To assist Bidders with their Bid submission, screenshots of the steps required to submit a Bid are provided in ITB.
- Q4. What documents must be submitted with the Bids?
  - A4. The Class 1 Mandatory Requirements in Section 27.1 of Instruction to Bidders must be submitted with your Bids. Failure to provide any of them with your Bid will result in the Bid being considered non-responsive and not being considered for Contract award.
- Q5. Are the Class 2 Mandatory Requirements required to be submitted with the Bids?
  - A5. Class 2 Mandatory Requirements should accompany your Bid, but if omitted the Bidder may be given the opportunity to supplement its Bid in accordance with Section 27.3 of Instructions to Bidders.
- Q6. Is it Mandatory to enter a price for each Item?A6. Yes. A price must be entered for each item to be considered for award.
- Q7. Other than your website, where is the ITB posted?
  - A7. The Invitation to Bid (ITB) is posted on the eVA website. The link to the ITB on the eVA website is as follows: Link to the ITB for Backflow Prevention Device Inspection and Testing, CCTV Inspection and Plumbing Repair Services
- **Q8.** Do we provide the prices by completing the Pricing Schedule in the Bid Form?
  - **A8.** No. The Pricing Schedule form in the Bid Form is for information purposes only. Bidders must not provide their prices using this form. <u>Prices must be provided using the Excel Spreadsheet</u> Pricing Schedule at Appendix 3 and uploaded into the Platform with the Bid Form.

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