REQUEST FOR QUOTE

FULL COLOR LED DOUBLE FACE DIGITAL SIGN
BURNS MIDDLE SCHOOL

Please know that the Mobile County Public School System would appreciate your quote for the furnishing and installation of Artwork and LED Digital Sign at Burns Middle School.

Your sealed quote must be submitted to the Purchasing Department, Mobile County Public Schools, 1 Magnum Pass, Mobile, AL 36618 no later than Monday, October 14, 2019 @ 10:00 A.M.

A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at Burns Middle School, 6175 Girby Road, Mobile, AL 36693. The pre-bid meeting will be on Tuesday, October 8, 2019 @ 9:30 A.M. All vendors are to meet in the front office.

All bids are to be submitted in a sealed envelope and the outside of the envelope must be clearly identified with the Bid Description, Bid Number, Date and Time of Opening. This will insure the bid proposal to be processed in a timely manner. The Purchasing Department will not be responsible for any bids that are not clearly identified as indicated above.

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.

Should you have any questions, please contact Rhonda Williams @ (251) 221-4473.

Sincerely,

Russell Hudson
Purchasing Director
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:

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 [bidnotify@mcpss.com](mailto:bidnotify@mcpss.com) 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.
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GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

Contractor shall submit to the owner a lump sum bid price for the furnishing of all labor, materials, tools, equipment to complete LED sign in compliance with the specifications and drawings.

Below are general specifications, we understand all manufacturer specifications may be different. By listing these specifications with these manufacturers it is not our intention to eliminate any one vendor or hinder any bidder from bidding on this project. MCPSS will evaluate responses and award accordingly with the best interest of the school system.

Project is to be completed within 120 days after receipt of Purchase Order.

Mobile County Public School System desires to replace its present readerboard and install a new LED and top cabinet. (See attached sheet for display)

1. **Existing Signage:**

   Remove existing readerboard and install new LED and top cabinet. Existing brick to remain (sign is to fit in the brick).

   I. **Sign Shall Be:**

      - 3’2 x 7’11 Double Face Vantage LED with Full Color Video
      - 2’8 x 10’5 LED lit Cabinet with vinyl graphics (Double face)
      - Steel angle frame for LED mounting
      - Wireless Communication Kit
      - Web-Base Software Training
      - Cloud Base/SM Infinity Software
      - 7 year parts and labor

      **Brand:** Vantage Led or Approved Equal

   II. **Colors shall be:**

      **PMS 286c Blue**

   III. **Note:**

      1. The colors reflected are approximations; Owner will choose the actual colors, from what will appear on manufacturer submitted color charts and catalogs.

      2. When ordering a colored product, please make your selections based on how color appears in the appropriate color chart **Prior to Manufacturing and Installation:**
3. Actual Sign Dimensions & Sign Placement To Be Field Verified (survey / equipment i.e bucket truck maybe required)

4. (Dimensions and placement are approximate and for illustration only) Location to be approved by Owner.

5. Contractor to remove and clean up area on a daily basis.

6. Existing sign has electrical power. Bidders need to verify if power is sufficient.

2. **Insurance:**
The bidder shall provide, at the company’s own expense, insurance as described below. **A copy of your current insurance document must be submitted with your proposal.**

   Successful bidder(s) shall provide a copy of a Certificate of Insurance naming the School board as an additional insured and must be sent to the Purchasing Department, Attention: Melody Roh. The policies of insurance shall be delivered upon request within seven work days after notification of award. Minimums included shall be:

   A. Worker’s Compensation - per Alabama Statutes
   
   B. Comprehensive General Liability

   Bodily Injury (including death) Property Damage and Personal Injury $1,000,000 per person, $3,000,000 per occurrence.

   Commercial Automobile liability insurance of $1 million per person, $3 million per occurrence.
Proposed:
D/F Internally Illuminated Cabinet w/Flat Faces
Cabinet Painted Black
20mm 3'2"x 7'11" (48x120) RGB Led

Color renderings are for presentation only and should not be considered as manufacturing drawings.
CONFIRMATION REQUEST:
AFFIDAVIT OF ALABAMA IMMIGRATION COMPLIANCE

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Please Read the attached Immigration Notice and Select one (1) of the Following:

☐ The Alabama Immigration Law **DOES NOT** apply to the above named company. Please explain:

_______________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________________

☐ The Alabama Immigration Law **DOES** apply to the above named company and the documents are on file with Mobile County School System

☐ The Alabama Immigration Law **DOES** apply to the above named company and the **AFFIDAVIT OF ALABAMA IMMIGRATION COMPLIANCE** DOCUMENTS are ATTACHED with the Bid Response

The documents are available at [www.mcpss.com/immigrataion](http://www.mcpss.com/immigrataion) and [www.dhs.gov/e-verify](http://www.dhs.gov/e-verify)

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Employee Signature

Date
VENDOR MINORITY QUESTIONNAIRE

PRICE QUOTE #: 19-09

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.

VENDOR NAME: ________________________________________

ADDRESS: ________________________________________

PHONE #: ________________________________________

FAX #: ________________________________________

IS THE COMPANY MINORITY OWNED?:  ____YES  ____NO

IS THE COMPANY OWNED BY:  ____MALE  ____FEMALE  ____BOTH

IS THE COMPANY INCORPORATED  ____YES  ____NO

ETHNICITY OF OWNERSHIP:

  ____ ASIAN AMERICAN
  ____ AMERICAN INDIAN
  ____ BLACK
  ____ DISABLED
  ____ HISPANIC
  ____ OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY): ________________________________________

SIGNATURE: ________________________________________

PRINT NAME: ________________________________________

TITLE: ________________________________________

DATE: ________________________________________

Revised 6/27/07
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, Federal Register (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

Form AD-1047 (1/92)
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.

Form AD-1047 (1/92)
VENDOR DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Information and Instructions

Act 2001-955 requires the disclosure statement to be completed and filed with all proposals, bids, contracts, or grant proposals to the State of Alabama in excess of $5,000. The disclosure statement is not required for contracts for gas, water, and electric services where no competition exits, or where rates are fixed by law or ordinance. In circumstances where a contract is awarded by competitive bid, the disclosure statement shall be required only from the person receiving the contract and shall be submitted within ten (10) days of the award.

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

STATE AGENCY/DEPARTMENT THAT WILL RECEIVE GOODS, SERVICES, OR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR GRANT AWARD

ADDRESS

CITY, STATE, ZIP

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 State 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

________________________________________________________________________

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Have you or any of your partners, divisions, or any related business units previously applied and received any grants from any State 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

________________________________________________________________________

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1. List below the name(s) and address(es) of all 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 proposed transaction. 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/AGENCY

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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 proposed transaction. Identify the public officials/public employees and State Department/Agency for which the public officials/public employees work. (Attach additional sheets if necessary.)

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If you identified individuals in items one and/or two above, describe in detail below the direct financial benefit to be gained by the public officials, public employees, and/or their family members as the result of the contract, proposal, request for proposal, invitation to bid, or grant proposal. (Attach additional sheets if necessary.)

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Describe in detail below any indirect financial benefits to be gained by any public official, public employee, and/or family members of the public official or public employee as the result of the contract, proposal, request for proposal, invitation to bid, or grant proposal. (Attach additional sheets if necessary.)

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List below the name(s) and address(es) of all paid consultants and/or lobbyists utilized to obtain the contract, proposal, request for proposal, invitation to bid, or grant proposal:

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By signing below, I certify under oath and penalty of perjury that all statements on or attached to this form are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I further understand that a civil penalty of ten percent (10%) of the amount of the transaction, not to exceed $10,000.00, is applied for knowingly providing incorrect or misleading information.

Signature  Date

Notary's Signature  Date  Date Notary Expires

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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

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.


(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 subcontractor 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.


(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.
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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Alabama Applicant Processing Service (AAPS)
Fingerprinting Overview

***Applicants must register on-line prior to arriving at the fingerprint location***

STEP 1 - REGISTRATION

- Applicants are responsible for their own registration. Information incorrectly entered during registration and submitted during fingerprinting CANNOT be corrected and is the responsibility of the applicants. Changes to incorrect registration data MAY be corrected online or by telephone prior to fingerprint submission.

Option 2 - Telephone Registration – 866-989-9316
- Gemalto encourages ALL applicants to register online.
- Applicants are responsible for their own registration. Information incorrectly entered during registration and submitted during fingerprinting CANNOT be corrected and is the responsibility of the applicants. Changes to incorrect registration data MAY be corrected online or by telephone prior to fingerprint submission.

Option 3 - Out-of-State Applicants/Paper Fingerprint Cards
- Out-of-State applicants may submit a completed fingerprint card AND a money order or cashiers check in the amount of $56.15 made out to Gemalto Cogent. Applicants MUST register ONLINE prior to mailing in fingerprint cards AND must include their REGISTRATION ID on the back of the fingerprint card.

For more information, visit the following link: https://www.aps.gemalto.com/al/AL_Documents/AL_Cardscan.htm

Submit fingerprint cards to:
- Gemalto Cogent
- ALSDE Cards Scan
- 639 N Rosemead Blvd.
- Pasadena, CA  91107

STEP 2 - PAYMENT

Fingerprint Fee is $48.15
- Applicants may pay online during registration using a debit or credit card
- No cash, credit card or business checks are accepted at the fingerprint locations.
- Applicants may pay at the fingerprint site with money order or cashier check
  - Payments must be made out to Gemalto Cogent
  - Payment amount for ALSDE fingerprinting is $48.15

STEP 3 - FINGERPRINTING

Visit any Gemalto Cogent fingerprint location in Alabama.
See Print Locations & Hours at https://www.aps.gemalto.com/al/index_adeNew.htm
Bring valid identification.
See What to Bring; ID Verification at https://www.aps.gemalto.com/al/index_adeNew.htm
### SITE LOCATIONS FOR FINGERPRINTING

| Service Location Address | **Mobile County Public Schools – Central Office**  
|                         | **Division of Human Resources – Building G**  
|                         | 1 Magnum Pass  
|                         | Mobile, AL 36618 |
| **Hours of Operations** | Fingerprint hours (by appointment only):  
|                         | Mon & Wed 8:30a - 11:30a / 1:30p - 3:30p |
| **Telephone Number**    | 251-221-4500  
| *(Applicant Use)*       | Please see [https://www.aps.gemalto.com/al/index_adeNew.htm](https://www.aps.gemalto.com/al/index_adeNew.htm) for information pertaining to fingerprint processing. Neither Cogent Systems nor this fingerprint site have the means to provide applicants the status of their background check. |

| Service Location Address | **AIM Mail Centers #153**  
|                         | 6300 Grelot Road Suite G  
|                         | Mobile, AL 36609  
|                         | Winn-Dixie Shopping Center  
|                         | Hillcrest and Grelot Roads |
| **Hours of Operations** | Mon-Fri 9:00-6:00, Saturday 10:00-3:00  
|                         | Please do not overwhelm the service by sending large groups of applicants to the locations. **If you have a large group of applicants to fingerprint, please contact the fingerprint site and plan for their arrival to occur over days and weeks, not hours.** The fingerprint site may have a preferred method for handling large groups of applicants. |
| **Telephone Number**    | 251-666-6432  
| *(Applicant Use)*       | Please see [https://www.aps.gemalto.com/al/index_adeNew.htm](https://www.aps.gemalto.com/al/index_adeNew.htm) for information pertaining to fingerprint processing. Neither Cogent Systems nor this fingerprint site have the means to provide applicants the status of their background check. |

| Service Location Address | **UPS Store #2422**  
|                         | 4354 Old Shell Rd  
|                         | Mobile, AL 36608 |
| **Hours of Operations** | Mon-Fri 8:00-6:30  
|                         | Please do not overwhelm the service by sending large groups of applicants to the locations. **If you have a large group of applicants to fingerprint, please contact the fingerprint site and plan for their arrival to occur over days and weeks, not hours.** The fingerprint site may have a preferred method for handling large groups of applicants. |
| **Telephone Number**    | 251-460-0600  
| *(Applicant Use)*       | Please see [https://www.aps.gemalto.com/al/index_adeNew.htm](https://www.aps.gemalto.com/al/index_adeNew.htm) for information pertaining to fingerprint processing. Neither Cogent Systems nor this fingerprint site have the means to provide applicants the status of their background check. |

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CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS

Criminal Background Checks. By submitting a bid, BIDDER agrees that the BIDDER and each officer, director, employee, servant, agent, and subcontractor of the BIDDER, and any other individual who will provide services involving access to and/or communication with students on the BIDDER’s behalf, will fully cooperate with the BOARD in complying with all laws and regulations regarding criminal background checks. This cooperation will include, but will not be limited to, giving written consent to obtain criminal history background information checks and providing fingerprints for each individual who will have access to students to either agents of the BOARD or to another entity as directed by the BOARD and authorized by Alabama law. All individuals must pass the required criminal background check prior to having access to and/or communication with students. As of this date, criminal background checks are being handled through the BOARD’s human resources department and processed by the State Board of Education. A copy of the fingerprinting process overview is attached hereto. Once the background check has been completed successfully, the Board’s human resources department will issue an identification badge. This badge is to be worn visibly at all times while on school board property. The cost of this badge is $5.00, and the cost is the responsibility of the vendor.

Prior to beginning work for the BOARD, the BIDDER, or a representative thereof with similar managerial authority, shall submit an Affidavit under oath to the BOARD, in a form satisfactory to the BOARD, stating that the BIDDER has satisfied the above requirements concerning fingerprint-based criminal background checks and will continue to do so. The BIDDER acknowledges that these requirements set forth a continuing obligation on the part of the BIDDER to assure that all persons having access to and/or communication with students will have passed the required background checks.

In the event any of the above referenced individuals are found to be unsuitable by the State Board of Education, all challenges allowed by law, administrative and through litigation, are expressly waived by the BIDDER on BIDDER’s own behalf and on behalf of the individual, and such individual is precluded from providing any services to BOARD. If a replacement individual satisfactory to BOARD is not provided by the BIDDER within five (5) days, the BOARD may terminate the contract in accordance with its termination provisions.

Nothing contained herein shall be construed as establishing an agency relationship between the BIDDER and the BOARD nor shall anything contained herein be construed as an assertion of control, or reserved right of control over the activities of the BIDDER or the agents or employees of the BIDDER.

NOTE: See FORM AAPS and Site Locations for Fingerprinting