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1. Bidding – The Alexander City Board of Education directs that expenditures of public school monies in excess of \$15,000 made by the Board for labor, services, work, the purchase or lease of materials, equipment, supplies or any other personal property, with limited exceptions established by state law, shall be contracted by free and open competitive bidding with sealed bids and shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder meeting specifications.

Bids for building/capital improvement projects exceeding \$50,000 must comply with the state Public Works Act.

1. Local Purchasing
 1. The Alexander City Board of Education should purchase locally provided products of equal quality that are readily available from local suppliers at prices equal to other non-local vendors. Pursuant to state law the Board, when purchasing personal property or contractual services, shall give preference to commodities produced in Alabama or sold by Alabama persons, firms or corporations.
 1. The Alexander City Board of Education shall not be limited to making purchases within the local community or the state of Alabama when such local purchases within the local community or the state of Alabama do not meet the quality or competitive price of goods or services available from vendors outside the local community or state of Alabama.
 1. Preference may be given to a local vendor having a place of business in the county or municipality for the purchase of personal property, when a bid submitted by such a resident bidder is no more than three (3) percent greater than the bid of the lowest responsible bidder.

1. Alexander City Board of Education shall require that a requisition/purchase order system be established and followed.

REFERENCE(S):

CODE OF ALABAMA

41-16-50, 41-16-51, 41-16-57, 39-2-1, et seq.

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