

Bidding Procedures

All contractual services and purchases of supplies, materials and equipment in the amount of \$10,000 or more will be based on competitive quotations or prices. Those contractual services and purchases of supplies, materials and equipment in excess of \$250,000 will be put to bid. This shall not apply, however, to professional services or instructional services or materials. Other purchases may be made in the open market, but will, when possible, be based on competitive quotations or prices.

Competitive Selection

All contracts and all open market orders will be awarded to the lowest responsible qualified supplier, taking into consideration the quality of materials (services) desired and their contribution to program goals.

The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to accept that bid which appears to be in the best interest of the district.

Pre-qualification

When bidding procedures are used, bids will be advertised appropriately. Suppliers will be invited to have their names placed on mailing lists to receive invitations to bid. When specifications are prepared, they will be mailed to all merchants and firms who have indicated an interest in bidding.

Response receipt and opening

All bids must be submitted in sealed envelopes, addressed to the Board, and plainly marked with the bid number and the time of the bid opening. Bids will be opened in public by appropriate district officials or employees at the time specified, and all bidders will be invited to be present.

Awarding a bid

The bidder to whom an award is made will be required to submit to the district proof of liability insurance and when appropriate, proof of workers' compensation insurance, and may be required to enter into a written contract with the district. Any written contract will include a provision requiring a criminal background check for any person providing direct services to students under the contract, including but not limited to transportation, instruction, or food services as required by law. The contracting entity is responsible for any costs associated with the background check.

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LEGAL REFS.: C.R.S. 22-32-109 (1)(b) (board required to adopt bidding procedures)
C.R.S. 22-32-109.7 (board duties regarding the employment of personnel)
C.R.S. 22-32-122 (4) (background check provision required in service contracts)
C.R.S. 24-18-201 (public official's interest in contract)

CROSS REFS.: BCB, School Board Member Conflict of Interest
DJB*, Federal Procurement

NOTE 1: Criminal background checks provided pursuant to this policy must, at a minimum, meet the requirements of C.R.S. 22-32-109.7 and may include any other requirements of the district. Under section 109.7, CDE is required to advise districts only as to whether a prospective employee has been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor crime involving unlawful sexual behavior, an allegation of a sexual act involving a student who is eighteen years of age or older (regardless of whether the student consented to the sexual act), or unlawful behavior involving children.

NOTE 2: If the district receives federal funds, the district is required by the federal Uniform Grant Guidance (UGG) to adopt procurement procedures specific to purchases made with federal funds, in whole or in part. See, CASB sample policy DJB*, Federal Procurement and accompanying sample regulation, DJB*-R.