

Wamego Public Schools

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INVITATION TO BID

You are invited to bid on the attached Prime Vendor Bid for USD 320 Wamego for the 2019-2020 school year.

Any bid received later than the specified time, or in the incorrect format shall be disqualified. The district reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to accept the bid deemed most advantageous to the School District. We reserve the right to wave any informality in bidding.

Bids can be mailed to the above address or hand delivered to the District Kitchen, which is located at 1001 Columbian Rd, Wamego KS. Bids can also be emailed but must include all attachments and required documents and use the subject heading: **Sealed Bid for District Food Service.**

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Bids must be submitted no later than **Monday**, **June 3**, **2019 at 1:00pm**. They may be returned by e-mail. This letter must be signed and returned as well (a scanned copy by e-mail is fine).

Bids will be opened at 1:15pm that same day at the District Kitchen by Laura Fails, Food Service Director, and the winning bidder will be determined as soon as possible and no later than Wednesday, June 5, 2019.

Bid prices must remain the same for the entire period of this contract July 1, 2019- June 30, 2020. If unforeseeable circumstances warrant a price increase, the vendor must provide information from a third party market bulletin of such a price increase. At which time the bid award may be revisited. USD 320 reserves the right to discontinue purchase of this item or release the vendor from the contract and obtain new quotes for this item.

The estimated product quantities are intended as a useful guide, and do not imply guarantee on the part of the school district to purchase stated quantity as a minimum or a maximum.

The Food Service Department reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and to waive all formalities. This inquiry implies no obligation on the part of the buyer, nor does the buyer's silence imply any acceptance or rejection of any quotation offer.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- The bid item names and order needs to remain as given. Enter pricing in the formatted cells. Any notations can be added in another font or color in the same cell. Bids must contain pack info to ease in price comparison. Brand information on items where no brand is specified must be provided. Listed items which include specific brand information indicate that that specific product is preferred but items of equal value and quality may be considered. Samples will be required, and shall be supplied at no charge to the school district.
- Vendors must notify school district in advance if there is a problem meeting scheduled delivery dates or if there are shortages in quantities due.
- All deliveries are to be made to the USD 320 District Kitchen, between the hours of 6:00am and 8:00am on Mondays and Thursdays.
- Deliveries will be made Monday through Friday, except on holidays or during school breaks. In the event that a holiday or snow day falls on a delivery date, the district will make every effort to still receive delivery on the scheduled day.
- All freight and delivery charges are to be paid by the vendor and included in the bid price.
- All items shall be properly crated and/or packaged by the supplier to ensure delivery in good condition. <u>Items should be delivered on pallets.</u>
- The vendor shall, at his expense, amend and make good on any defective or unsatisfactory items or products. The same applies to any items which were invoiced in error.
- Nutrition Analysis information and Child Nutrition (CN) labels <u>must be provided</u> by the vendor for each food item when contract has been awarded. These must be received at the District Kitchen within ten (10) days of the bid award. They also may be scanned and e-mailed to failsl@usd320.com.
- The USD 320 Food Service Director reserves the right to reject any or all portions of the bid. The Board of Education also reserves the right to return any item/s, which in its opinion, does not meet its requirements.
- If an item is a special order (not stocked) item, vendor must make a notation on the bid regarding any items that fall into that category.
- By submitting the proposal/bid, the bidder acknowledges and certifies that his/her company complies with the **Buy American** provision that the food delivered is of domestic origin or the product is substantially produced in the United States. For these purposes, substantially means over 51% of the processed food is from U.S. produced products. If the bidder is unable to certify compliance with the Buy American Provision, the bidder shall state this in his/her response and provide an explanation as to why it cannot certify compliance. The winning bidder shall provide to the USD 320 Food Service program appropriate documents, i.e. attestation statements, country of origin labeling, to document compliance with the Buy American provision.

Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352). The contractor certifies that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Sign and submit the attached Certification Regarding Lobbying form with the contract.

<u>Debarment and Suspension</u> (E.O. 12549 and E.O. 12689). All contractors shall provide the required certification regarding its exclusion status and that of its principal employees from the General Services Administration's List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement or Non-procurement. Sign and submit a USDA Certification Regarding Debarment form with the contract.

BIDDER'S CHECKLIST

All items below must be include when submitting your bid proposal.
This document, signed
Completed bid spreadsheet including audit documentation
Signed Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment Certification
Signed USDA Certification Regarding Debarment
BID OFFER
The enclosed bid is submitted in accordance with all stated conditions. The undersigned agrees to deliver the item(s) specified in accordance with terms and prices set forth.
FIRM:
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE:
DATE:
Questions should be directed to:
Phone:
Attachments