



**Washoe County School District
Request for Quote (RFQ) – PRODUCTS**

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RFQ Title: Welder and Plasma Cutter
RFQ #: 31-QF-08-23-LR

Washoe County School District (WCSD) is soliciting for formal quotes for certain **PRODUCTS**, which may also include products/goods, identified on the RFQ PRICE SCHEDULE (Exhibit A) included in accordance with all defined terms and conditions in this document. RFQ submittals must be submitted on the RFQ Price Schedule (Exhibit A) only and received in a sealed envelope or emailed directly to: solicitations@washoeschools.net for award consideration. Submissions that are received via facsimile, any other email other than that listed above, or outside of a sealed envelope will NOT be accepted.

***NOTE:** Quote submissions will NOT be accepted via fax or verbally at any point of time in the RFQ process (e.g., withdrawal and/or resubmitting for updated pricing). Only sealed quote submissions or submissions emailed to: solicitations@washoeschools.net will be accepted. Any quote submissions that are otherwise received will be rejected. WCSD only accepts signatures done manually (also known as a wet signature) or electronic digital signatures that are certified. Non-certified electronic digital signatures will NOT be accepted. A typed signature, even in a cursive font, does NOT meet the requirements of an official digital signature. A digital signature must be accompanied by a certified digital stamp issued through programs like Adobe Acrobat DC, Docu-Sign, or other similar programs that produce a digital stamp certifying the electronic digital signature. Any signatures on required forms that do not meet these requirements will not be accepted and the Vendor's submission will be deemed "Non-Responsive" and will be rejected. If there are any questions about this requirement, please submit a question by the Questions/Inquires deadline, so that it can be answered prior to the submission deadline.*

Submit all QUESTIONS via email to: solicitations@washoeschools.net no later than 4:30 pm (local time) on August 26, 2022.

POSTING DATE: August 22, 2022
DUE DATE: September 2, 2022 AT 10:00 A.M. (LOCAL TIME)

RFQ GENERAL TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND SPECIFICATIONS

- FORMS:** Vendor must submit quote on this form only. All accepted quotes and accompanying documentation become property of WCSD and will not be returned.
- LATE QUOTES:** Quotes received after the due date and time will not be accepted. The WCSD reserves the right to reject any quote not in compliance with all prescribed public procedures and requirements and to reject for good cause any or all quotes upon finding that it is in the WCSD's best interest to do so. If the late quote arrives via carrier, the Vendor will be given an option on how to have it returned, as rejected, at the Vendor's own cost.
- CONTRACT TERM:** Vendor will receive a WCSD Purchase Order (PO) and this RFQ's General Terms, Conditions, and Specifications are hereby incorporated therein by reference (Contract). Initial Term of the Contract is for one year from date of award with one (1) additional one (1) year renewals, providing the terms and conditions remain

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unchanged. WCSD reserves the right to terminate this Contract in whole or in part upon providing Vendor at least thirty (30) days' written notice.

4. FIRM PRICING & COST ESCALATION: WCSD will allow for a price increase or decrease after six months of the initial term or any renewal term. Any such price increase or decrease will be based upon the Consumer Price Index (CPI) Western Zone. Only the percentage change, whether it is an increase or decrease, between the then current price and the CPI change for the quarter will be granted.
5. QUANTITY: The WCSD intends to procure the quantities listed on the RFQ PRICE SCHEDULE (Exhibit A); however, the WCSD's requirements may change prior to issuing a PO and the WCSD reserves the right to increase or decrease quantities at its discretion.
6. INVOICING AND PAYMENT: Vendor must issue a separate invoice for each shipment. Invoice is to be issued upon products delivered, not before. Payment terms are Net 30 upon receipt of a proper invoice. The WCSD is tax exempt and does not pay state/local taxes or interest or late fees. Payments shall be made only for delivered quantities to WCSD by the Vendor.
7. ITEM SPECIFICATIONS: If applicable, specifications contained herein may reflect items of known quality and are acceptable to the WCSD. If the item specifications indicate "or equal," Vendor may offer other than the specified item if the item offered is equal in general style, type, quality, workmanship, economy of operation, performance, characteristics and suitability for the purpose intended. Vendor must identify the name brand offered, provide descriptive literature, and be prepared to provide, if requested for evaluation purposes. Failure to provide adequate descriptive literature may be caused to declare the quote non-responsive and reject the quote. If there is any doubt as to the suitability of a product offered on an "equal" or "substitute" basis, the product will be rejected in favor of an offer to provide the product specified.
8. SHIPPING & DELIVERY: The price quoted for each line item shall include all shipping and handling charges to the F.O.B. destination listed on the PO. POs issued are for "prompt or immediate shipment" of the goods contained thereon. Unless otherwise specified, delivery will be made not later than thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of an order (ARO). The WCSD reserves the right to cancel any order if not filled within the Contract time. The PO number must appear on all invoices, packing lists, packages, shipping notices and correspondence. All shipments of hazardous material must be accompanied by Safety Data Sheets (SDS). WCSD reserves the right to cancel any order if not filled within the required time without fees or legal ramifications. Failure for awarded Vendor(s) to deliver within the time specified may be grounds for considering the Vendor(s) as "non-responsive" and/or "non-responsible." In addition, WCSD reserves the right to terminate Contract with any awarded Vendor(s) and reject future RFQ submissions for a period of up to twelve (12) months on the basis that the Vendor(s) is found/deemed to be non-responsive/non-responsible.
9. INSTALLATION: If applicable, services that require installation, Vendor shall perform the installation in accordance with manufacturer specifications in a professional manner. Vendor shall leave work area clean and free of all packaging and any debris created by the work and shall make good, to the satisfaction of WCSD's Facilities Management Department, any damage to the work of other trades caused by any installation.
10. AWARD: WCSD reserves the right to award this RFQ in whole or in part, by item, group of items, or by section where such action would serve WCSD's best interest. RFQs identified exclusively based on "All or Nothing" will be excluded from this provision. In the event of a tie, low quote shall be determined by extending prices out to the third decimal. If a tie still exists, award shall be determined by lottery.
11. BASIS AWARD: RFQ to be awarded on an "ALL OR NOTHING" basis to lowest priced responsive/responsible Vendor unless otherwise noted.
12. CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE LIABILITY: The awarded Vendor(s) shall not render any services or provide goods/products requested under this RFQ until satisfactory proof of all insurance certificates and supporting documentation has been approved by the WCSD Purchasing Department.

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All documentation must be submitted to:

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13. REQUIRED INSURANCE COVERAGE & VERIFICATION: The awarded Vendor shall, at the awarded Vendor's sole expense, procure, maintain, and keep in force for the duration of the Contract insurance conforming to the minimum limits as specified in this RFQ. The awarded Vendor shall provide to WCSD a Certificate of Insurance (COI) form with Additional Insured Endorsement(s) effecting coverage required. The authorized Insurer(s) of the awarded Vendor and/or subsequent insurance company(s) issuing the policy(s) shall have no recourse against the WCSD for payment of any premiums, costs, or assessments under any form of policy. The awarded Vendor's authorized Insurer(s) shall have no right of recovery or subrogation against WCSD. The required insurance shall be in effect prior to any services rendered and/or products procured from the awarded Vendor by WCSD and shall continue in force as appropriate based on the then current Contract term. The "ACCORD 25 Certificate of Insurance Form" or a form substantially similar must be submitted by the awarded Vendor to WCSD to evidence the insurance policies and coverages required.

The COI must be signed by a person authorized to bind coverage on the behalf of the awarded Vendor. The COI must name WCSD as the "Certificate Holder" as follows:

*Washoe County School District
425 E. Ninth Street
Reno, Nevada 89512*

For the purpose of substantiating the requirement of the WCSD to be named as an "Additional Insured," the COI's "Description of Operations/Locations/Vehicles" section shall state the following:

The WCSD, its officers, employees and volunteers are to be named as an "Additional Insured" on the awarded Vendor's general liability. The coverages shall contain no special limitations on the scope of protection afforded to the WCSD, its officers, employees, agents, or volunteers.

The COI shall state that if any of the described policies are cancelled before the expiration date thereof, notice will be delivered in accordance with the policy provisions. Furthermore, each insurance policy shall not be suspended, voided, canceled or non-renewed by either the awarded Vendor or the authorized Insurer without a replacement COI being provided to WCSD during the life of the Contract. Upon renewal of the policies listed, awarded Vendor, or authorized Insurer(s) shall furnish the WCSD with replacement certificates. The awarded Vendor shall furnish WCSD with COI with Additional Insured Endorsement(s) effecting coverage required. All COIs and relative endorsements are to be received upon written request by WCSD to the awarded Vendor and must be reviewed and approved by the WCSD's Purchasing Department prior to any services being rendered and/or products procured. Although not a standard practice of WCSD, WCSD reserves the right to require of the awarded Vendor to make available/check the wording of the statement on all required insurance policies at upon request of WCSD. The awarded Vendor's insurance coverage shall be the primary insurance. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the WCSD, its officers, employees, agents, or volunteers shall be in excess of the awarded Vendor's insurance and shall not contribute with it in any way. Any failure of the awarded Vendor to comply with the reporting provisions of the policies shall not affect coverage provided to the WCSD, its officers, employees, agents, or volunteers.

14. INSURANCE LIMITS:

GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE

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During the term of this Contract, the awarded Vendor providing service to WCSD shall maintain comprehensive General Liability Insurance with the following coverages through an insurance carrier(s) licensed to do business in the State of Nevada and having a current A.M. Best rating of A-:VII or better and approved by the WCSD: (A) Premises-Operations; (B) Independent Contractor's Protection; (C) Products and Completed Operations; (D) Broad Form Property Damage; (E) Personal Injury (with Employee Exclusion deleted); (F) Blanket Contractual Liability; and (G) Property Damage Liability. Limits shall be equal to the amount carried by the successful Vendor shall not be less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence combined single limits with no less than two million dollars (\$2,000,000) aggregate.

AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY INSURANCE

If applicable, during term of this Contract, the awarded Vendor shall maintain comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance to include all owned autos, non-owned autos, and hired autos coverage through an insurance carrier(s) licensed to do business in the State of Nevada and having current A.M. Best rating of A-: VII or better and approved by the WCSD. Limits shall be equal to the amount carried by the successful Vendor shall not be less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence.

WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE

If applicable, during the term of this Contract, the awarded Vendor shall have Workers' Compensation coverage as required by law for the duration of the Contract to include Employer's Liability Coverage (noted at Statutory Limits) with minimum limit of one million dollars (\$1,000,000).

PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE

If applicable, during the term of this Contract, the awarded Vendor shall maintain Professional Liability Insurance (Errors & Omissions) with minimum limits of at least one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence. The insurance required above may be proved under primary policies or by a combination of primary and excess policies. Professional Liability is not covered under additional Umbrella Liability coverage.

- 15. **SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS:** Even if item being quoted on is "as specified", Vendor must identify brand/manufacturer specified and (if applicable) model number. Failure to do so may result in rendering that quoted item as "not specified". All quotes submitted must have complete specifications and current catalog if quoting other than brand/manufacturer specified. Failure to submit complete specifications may be cause for rejection of quote. All Vendors quoting on chemical and/or toxic products must submit a Safety Data Sheet (SDS) on each related item. If applicable to this RFQ, when submitting SDS sheets, Vendors should identify each one with the WCSD's seven-digit stock number that is identified in this RFQ (Example: WCSD #571/2450).
- 16. **SAMPLES:** When SAMPLES are requested, only if Vendor is quoting other than brand specified, then SAMPLES must be provided where noted. IF SAMPLES ARE NOT RECEIVED PRIOR TO RFQ DUE DATE AND TIME, THEN QUOTED ITEM SUBMISSION MAY BE REJECTED.
- 17. A quote may be withdrawn by written notification delivered via email to: solicitations@washoeschools.net provided that such notice is received prior to the due date and time set for the RFQ opening.

******* END OF RFQ TERMS, CONDITIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS *******

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PUBLIC DISCLOSURE FORM
REQUIRED WITH RFQ SUBMISSION

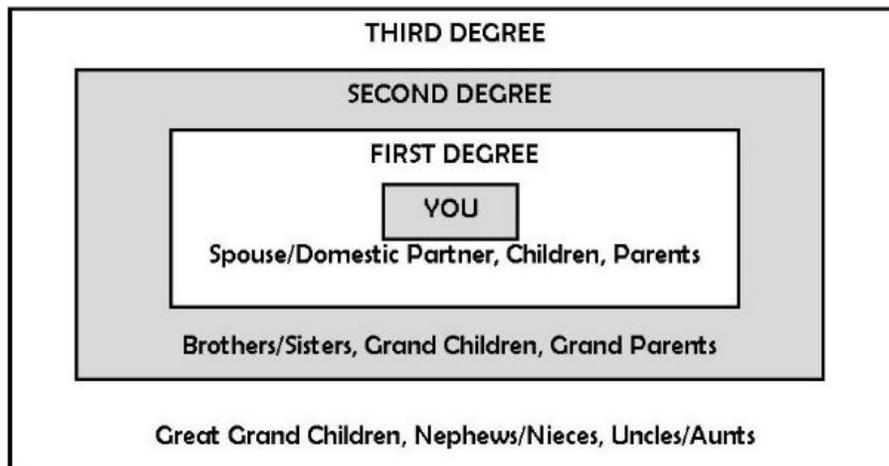
Vendor Name: _____

I understand that per NRS 281A.020 a public office is a public trust and shall be held for the sole benefit of the people; and a public officer or employee must commit himself or herself to avoid conflicts between the private interests of the public officer or employee and those of the general public who the public office or employee serves. Furthermore, I understand that pursuant to Washoe County School District (WCSD) Board of Trustees Policy 4505 and per NRS 281A.400, WCSD employees (as public officers) shall not seek or accept any gift, service, favor, employment, engagement, emolument, or economic opportunity, including, but not limited to, unlawful compensation, salary, retainer, augmentation, expense allowance, commission, personal profit, pecuniary interest in the course of performing WCSD duties. In addition, WCSD employees (as public officers) shall not use their positions to secure or grant unwarranted privileges, preferences, exemptions or advantages for the public officer or employee with any business entity.

I certify and acknowledge by signature below that I am a duly authorized agent of the submitting Vendor named above and that failure to disclose all facts relative to a conflict or potential conflict of interest (ethical standards) with regards to the specific solicitation to which the Vendor is submitting to WCSD may result in a rejection of said solicitation submission or termination of any resulting contract/agreement should the above-named firm be awarded.

I certify that I and the Vendor and/or principals of the Vendor's have no pecuniary/financial interests between WCSD, Officers of WCSD, key employees of WCSD, current and former WCSD Board of Trustees members, and any other current and former WCSD personnel.

To the third degree of consanguinity (refer to chart below), I have listed all of mine and Vendor's principals and Vendor's key personnel's personal relationships, partnerships, correlations, and relatives (by blood and/or marriage) between WCSD, Officers of WCSD, key employee of WCSD, current and former WCSD Board of Trustees members and any other current and former WCSD personnel.



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EXCEPTIONS TO RFQ TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND SPECIFICATIONS:

Exceptions to the RFQ Terms, Conditions and Specifications must be noted in the space provided. Failure to note said exceptions shall be interpreted to convey that Vendor shall propose to perform in the manner described and/or specified. If more space is required, please attach additional sheet(s) referencing RFQ Title and Number.

RFQ SIGNATURE & DELIVERY:

In compliance with this RFQ and subject to all the terms and conditions thereof, the undersigned authorized agent offers and agrees, if this quote is accepted to furnish any or all of the items herein at the prices, terms and delivery stated. Quote submissions will NOT be accepted via fax or verbally at any point of time in the RFQ process (e.g., withdrawal and/or resubmitting for updated pricing). Only sealed quote submissions or submissions emailed to: solicitations@washoeschools.net will be accepted. Any quote submissions that are otherwise received will be rejected. WCSD only accepts signatures done manually (also known as a wet signature) or electronic digital signatures that are certified. Non-certified electronic digital signatures will NOT be accepted. A typed signature, even in a cursive font, does NOT meet the requirements of an official digital signature. A digital signature must be accompanied by a certified digital stamp issued through programs like Adobe Acrobat DC, Docu-Sign, or other similar programs that produce a digital stamp certifying the electronic digital signature. Any signatures on required forms that do not meet these requirements will not be accepted and the Vendor's submission will be deemed "Non-Responsive" and will be rejected. If there are any questions about this requirement, please submit a question by the Questions/Inquires deadline, so that it can be answered prior to the submission deadline.

Vendor Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Vendor Email Address: _____

Delivery will be completed within: _____ DAYS or WEEKS (Circle One)

Authorized Agent Name (Printed) _____

Title _____

Authorized Agent Direct Email _____

AUTHORIZED AGENT SIGNATURE

_____ Date