



NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Berrien Springs Public Schools, Berrien Springs, Michigan, will receive proposals from qualified contractors for Middle School Bus Parking Lot, located at One Sylvester Avenue, Berrien Springs, Michigan.

The Excavating, Paving and Electrical Contractor bids are open to qualified bidders and shall be bid separately or all three bid divisions may be combined under one contract. The Owner will enter into separate contracts with the successful Excavating, Paving and Electrical Contractors. If the bid is combined the Owner will enter into contract with the company who will act as the general contractor for both companies and who will be fully responsible for coordination of all required work between all trades.

Note: Where “contractor” is referred to in these specifications, this shall be interpreted to refer to the Excavating, Paving and Electrical Contractors, unless noted otherwise.

Proposals must be mailed or delivered in person to Mrs. Marj Halquist, Business Manager, Berrien Springs Public Schools, One Sylvester Avenue. All proposals must be sealed in envelopes, plainly labeled “Middle School Bus Parking Lot” and must be received prior to 1:30 P.M., local time, on October 3, 2005. This will be a public bid opening. Contractors not present will be notified within the allocated period of time as to their position in the bid process. Evaluation of proposals and award will be at a later date; the successful contractor will receive a letter of intent prior to receipt of contract.

The Schedule of Work shall be as follows:

October 3, 2005	Bids Due
October 4, 2005	Post Bid Interviews
	Tentative Schedule:
	Excavating Contractors: 9am-10:30am
	Paving Contractors: 10:30am-12pm
	Electrical Contractors: 12pm-1pm
October 6, 2005	Contracts Awarded
October 10, 2005	Anticipated Start of Construction
October 31, 2005	Anticipated Substantial Completion

All bidders are required to furnish Bid Security in the amount of five (5%) percent of the Base Bid. Form of the security may be a bid bond, certified or cashiers check. This will be a guarantee that the bidder selected by Berrien Springs Public Schools will furnish the required PLM Bonds; failure to do so could mean forfeiture of the Bid Security.

All bidders must indicate, where shown on the Proposal Form, the cost of Performance and Labor and Material Payment Bonds covering 100% of the value of the Project. Do not include the cost of the Bonds in the Base Bid.



All bids shall be accompanied by a sworn statement disclosing any familial relationship that exists between the owner(s) or any employee of the bidder and any member of the Board of Education of the School District or the Superintendent of the School District. The Board of Education shall not accept a bid that does not include a sworn and notarized familial relationship disclosure statement.

Applicable Michigan use and sales tax apply to this project.

All bidders should note that this project does NOT require prevailing wages.

Bidding Documents may be examined after September 16, 2005 at:

GMB Architects-Engineers
85 East Eighth Street
Suite 200
Holland, Michigan 49423

F.W. Dodge
2922 Fuller, N.E. Suite 118
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49505

AND

Builders Exchange of Grand Rapids
4461 Cascade Road, S.E.
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49546

Kalamazoo Area Builders Exchange
3431 E Kilgore Road
Kalamazoo, Michigan 49001

The Owner reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and to waive all irregularities in Proposals. Proposals shall remain firm for ninety (90) days from date of Bid Opening.