

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
BID PACKAGE NO. 4

PROJECT: Battle Creek Public Schools
Battle Creek, MI 49037
C. W. Post Athletic Complex
Buffer Zone #318045

DESCRIPTION: Addition of fencing, trees and plantings along east property line of
C.W. Post Athletic Complex adjacent to softball fields and tennis
courts.

OWNER: Battle Creek Public Schools
3 West Van Buren
Battle Creek, MI 49017

ARCHITECTS: Architects Incorporated, P.C.
49 South Cass Street, Suite 3B
Battle Creek, MI 49017
Phone: (269) 968-4300
Fax: (269) 968-7120

TMP Associates, Inc.
470 W. Centre Ave.
Portage, MI 49024
Phone: (269) 327-0077
Fax: (269) 327-8090

CONSULTANT: Foresite Design, Inc.
(Landscape Architect) 3269 Coolidge Highway
Berkley, MI 48072
Phone: (248) 547-7757
Fax: (248) 547-0218

CONSTRUCTION MANAGER: Skanska Schweitzer, a Joint Venture
101 Champion St.
Battle Creek, Michigan 49037
Attention: John Heikka, Project Superintendent
Brian Schrems, Project Manager
Phone: (269) 964-0786
Fax: (269) 964-2702

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of Battle Creek School Administration Office for the following bid categories on this project until 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 9, 2008. The Board of Education of the Battle Creek Public Schools will not open, consider or accept a Proposal that is received after the date and time specified above for Proposal submission

**Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 9, 2008, at:
Battle Creek Public Schools
Attn: Denny Welling
Administration Building
3 West Van Buren
Battle Creek, MI 49017**

On the day following the public opening, bid results will be available from Skanska Schweitzer for participating bidders. **Bidders shall not** call Battle Creek Public Schools or TMP Associates/Architects, Inc. for bid results.

A mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, October 1, 2008 at the Skanska Schweitzer Jobsite Office, 101 Champion St. Battle Creek, MI 49017

BID CATEGORIES

4A – Landscaping

PLAN DISTRIBUTION

Documents will be available for examination at the following locations.

Office of the Construction Manager, Portage	269.342.5400
Construction Association of Michigan	248.972.1000
Builders Exchange of Grand Rapids	616.949.8650
Builders Exchange of Kalamazoo	269.349.2507
Builders Exchange of Lansing	517.372.5022

On or about Thursday, September 25, 2008, bidding documents will be available at the offices of Kal-Blue Reprographics utilizing the Bid Set Deposit Card System. The purpose of the Bid Set Deposit Card is to replace the deposit check method of obtaining bidding documents.

Bidding Documents may be obtained by contacting Skanska Schweitzer at 269.964.0786, Attention: John Heikka. Bidders may obtain one complete set of bid documents. Contractors that choose not to submit a bid must return bid documents to Kal-Blue in good condition five business days prior to the bid date, or they will be charged \$50.00. Contractors that bid but are unsuccessful must return bid documents to Kal-Blue within ten (10) business days after bid date, or they will be charged \$50.00.

BID FORM INFORMATION

Proposal shall be submitted in **triplicate** on forms identical to the forms included with the bidding documents.

Proposal shall be sealed in an opaque envelope with Project Name, Bid Package No., Bid Category or Categories, and Bidder's Name clearly printed on the outside. **Bids via facsimile or other electronic means will not be accepted.** Bids shall remain valid for Ninety (90) days from bid opening.

ADDRESS BIDS TO:

Battle Creek Public Schools
Attn: Denny Welling
3 West Van Buren
Battle Creek, MI 49017

FOR ALL PROPOSALS IN AN AMOUNT OF \$20,102 OR LESS

- a. Bid security is **not** required.
- b. All Bidders must be bondable and **shall indicate on their Proposal Form the cost for furnishing Labor and Material Payment Bond and Performance Bond** each in the penal amount of 100% of the proposal sum. **Include bond premiums in proposal amount.** Bonds shall name Skanska – Schweitzer, A Joint Venture, and Battle Creek Public Schools as dual obligees. Forms and conditions of the bonds shall be the latest edition of AIA Document A312/CM.

FOR ALL PROPOSALS IN AN AMOUNT MORE THAN \$20,102 AND LESS THAN \$50,000

- a. Bid security in amount of 5% of the proposal sum **is required.** Security may be certified check, bank draft, irrevocable bank letter or credit or surety bond.
- b. Bid bonds from all bidders will be held until award of contract and execution of the required contract for the respective bid category.
- c. All Bidders must be bondable and **shall include in their Proposal sum the cost for furnishing Labor and Material Payment Bond and Performance Bond** each in the penal amount of 100% of the proposal sum. **Include bond premiums in proposal amount.** Bonds shall name Skanska – Schweitzer, A Joint Venture and Battle Creek Public Schools as dual obligees. Forms and conditions of the bonds shall be the latest edition of AIA Document A312/CM.

FOR ALL PROPOSALS IN AN AMOUNT OF \$50,000.00 OR MORE

- a. Bid security in amount of 5% of the proposal sum **is required.** Security may be certified check, bank draft, irrevocable bank letter or credit or surety bond.
- b. Bid bonds from all bidders will be held until award of contract and execution of the required contract for the respective bid category.
- d. All Bidders must be bondable and **shall include in their Proposal sum the cost for furnishing Labor and Material Payment Bond and Performance Bond** each in the penal amount of 100% of the proposal sum. Bonds shall name Skanska – Schweitzer, A Joint Venture and Battle Creek Public Schools as dual obligees. Forms and conditions of the bonds shall be the latest edition of AIA Document A312/CM.

Bonds must be issued by a Surety authorized by the State of Michigan. The Surety must be listed in the current Federal Register or have an A.M. Best rating of A- or higher. The amount of the Bonds must not exceed the limit listed in the Federal Register nor be more than 10% of the Surety's capital. All Bond forms must be properly executed and include a valid Power of Attorney. Persons signing bonds must type their name and title. Failure to meet these requirements may be cause for rejection of the bid and/or bonds.

POST BID CONFERENCE

Within 48 hours of the bid opening, bidders may be required to identify major material and/or equipment manufacturers which served as basis of their bid/and pending contract award.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY - EMPLOYMENT POLICIES

The Bidder agrees that it will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin or age. The Contractor shall take affirmative action to insure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to race, religion, color, sex or national origin.

CONTRACT AWARD

The Owner and Construction Manager reserve the right to waive any irregularities, accept or reject any or all proposals and to award the contract to other than the low bidder. Contract awards may be based on acceptance of alternates or voluntary alternates.

The award of any bid is subject to the execution of a Contract in a form reasonably acceptable to the Superintendent of the school district incorporating the terms and conditions of this bid document and the contract documents. Failure of the bidder to contractually accept these obligations may result in cancellation of the award.

The Battle Creek Public Schools may exercise our rights under the law to reject contractors currently listed on the ACT 160 Prevailing Wage Violators.

COST OF PROPOSAL PREPARATION

Battle Creek Public Schools is not responsible for any costs incurred by any bidder for any work performed prior to contract execution.

END OF ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS