



**The School District  
of  
St. Lucie County**  
 Purchasing Department  
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**Request for Proposal  
(RFP)**

**REQUIRED RESPONSE FORM**

Failure to submit the signed Required Response Form with the proposal will be cause for non-acceptance of the proposal and the proposal shall be considered non-responsive

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PROPOSALS WILL BE OPENED **January 25, 2023 - 3:00 pm** and may not be withdrawn within 90 days after such date and time.

PROPOSAL NO. 23-08

MAILING DATE:  
**January 4, 2023**

**Integrated Pest Management Services**

FEDERAL EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OR S.S. NUMBER:

VENDOR NAME

VENDOR MAILING ADDRESS

CITY-STATE-ZIP

AREA CODE TELEPHONE NUMBER:

TOLL-FREE NUMBER:

FAX NUMBER:

INTERNET EMAIL ADDRESS:

POSTING OF PROPOSAL TABULATIONS

Proposal tabulations with recommended awards will be posted for review by interested parties at the location where proposals were opened and will remain posted for a period of 72 hours (excluding weekends and holidays). Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes. Proceedings subject to Section 120.57(3)(c), Florida Statutes are subject to Florida Administrative Code 6C5-6.008(2)(f).

*I certify that this proposal is made without prior understanding, agreement, or connection with any corporation firm, or person submitting a proposal for the same commodities/ services, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. I agree to abide by all conditions of this proposal and certify that I am authorized to sign this proposal for the proposer and that the proposer is in compliance with all requirements of the Request for Proposal, including but not limited to, certification requirements. In submitting a proposal, the proposer offers and agrees that if the proposal is accepted, the proposer will convey, sell, assign, or transfer to the School District of St. Lucie County all rights, title and interest in and to all causes of action it may now or hereafter acquire under the Anti-trust laws of the United States and the State of Florida for price fixing relating to the particular commodities or services purchased or acquired by the School District of St. Lucie County. At the School District's discretion, such assignment shall be made and become effective at the time the School District tenders final payment to the proposer.*

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AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
TYPED NAME OF PERSON SIGNING

Public Domain

I acknowledge that all information contained herein is part of the public domain as defined in the Public Records Act, Chapter 119, F.S.

Proposal Certification

*I hereby certify that I am submitting the following information as my company's proposal and understand that by virtue of executing and returning with this proposal this **REQUIRED RESPONSE FORM**, I further certify full, complete and unconditional acceptance of the contents inclusive of this Request for Proposal, and all appendices and the contents of any Addendum released hereto. **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL***

This RFP, General Conditions, Instructions to Bidders, Special Conditions, Specifications, Addenda, and/or any other pertinent documents form a part of this proposal and by reference are made a part thereof.

**PURPOSE:** It is the purpose and intent of this RFP to secure bids for item(s) and/or services as listed herein for the School District of St. Lucie County, Florida, hereinafter referred to as the District.

**SEALED BIDS:** Sealed bids will be received via the Purchasing Department bid portal until the date and time as indicated above. Proposals will be opened publicly in the Purchasing Department and all bidders and general public are invited to attend. All proposals shall be submitted via the Bonfire portal (instructions provided in following sections). It is the sole responsibility of the bidder to ensure their proposal is uploaded on or before the closing date and hour as shown above.

**BOARD'S ACCEPTANCE:** Unless otherwise specified herein, the bidder will allow a minimum of ninety (90) days from the last date for receiving of proposals for acceptance of its proposal by the Board.

**AWARDS:** In the best interest of the District, the School Board reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to waive any irregularity or minor technicalities in proposals received; to accept any item or group of items unless qualified by bidder; to acquire additional quantities at prices quoted on this invitation unless additional quantities are not acceptable, in which case the proposal sheets must be noted. All awards made as a result of this proposal shall conform to applicable Florida Statutes.

### GENERAL CONDITIONS, INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION FOR BIDDERS

**SEALED PROPOSALS:** All proposals are subject to all the conditions specified herein and any addenda issued thereto. Any failure on the part of the bidder to comply with the specifications, terms and conditions of this RFP shall be reason for termination of contract.

1. **EXECUTION OF RFP:** RFP must contain a signature of an authorized representative in the space provided above. Failure to properly sign proposal shall invalidate same, and it shall not be considered for award. Corrections must be initialed by the person signing the proposal. Any corrections not initialed will not be tabulated. The original proposal conditions and specifications cannot be changed or altered in any way. Altered proposals may not be considered. Clarification of proposals submitted shall be in letter form, signed by the bidders and attached to the proposal.
2. **NO BID:** If not submitting a bid, respond by returning the enclosed "Statement of No Bid" form and explain the reason. Note: A bidder, to qualify as a respondent, must submit a "no bid" and same must be received no later than the stated proposal opening date and hour.
3. **PRICES QUOTED:** Deduct trade discounts and quote firm net prices. Give both unit price and extend total. Prices must be stated in units of quantity specified in proposal specifications. In case of discrepancy in computing the amount of the proposal, the UNIT PRICE quoted will govern. All prices FOB destination, freight prepaid (unless otherwise stated in special conditions). Discounts for prompt payment: Award, if made, will be in accordance with terms and conditions stated herein. Each item must be bid separately and no attempt is to be made to tie any item or items in with any other item or items. Cash or quantity discounts offered will not be a consideration in determination of award of proposal(s). If a bidder offers a discount, it is understood that a minimum of 30 days will be required for payment, and the discount time will be computed from the date of satisfactory delivery at place of acceptance and receipt of correct invoice at the office specified.
  - A. **TAXES:** The School District of St. Lucie County, is exempt from any taxes imposed by the State and/or Federal Government. State Sales Tax Exemption Certificate No. 85-8015082026C-5 and Federal Employer Tax No. 59-6000832 appears on each purchase order. This exemption does not apply to purchase of tangible personal property made by contractors who use the tangible personal property in the performance of contracts for the improvements of School District-owned real property as defined in Chapter 192 of the Florida Statutes.
  - B. **MISTAKES:** Bidders are expected to examine the specifications, delivery schedules, proposal prices and extensions, and all instructions pertaining to supplies and services. Failure to do so will be at bidder's risk.
  - C. Bidder warrants by virtue of bidding that prices shall remain firm for a period of ninety (90) days from the date of Board approval or time stated in special conditions.
  - D. **USE OF OTHER CONTRACTS:** The District reserves the right to utilize any other District contract, any State of Florida Contract, any contract awarded by any other city or county governmental agencies, any other school board, any other community college/state university system cooperative bid agreement, or to directly negotiate/purchase per School Board policy and/or State Board Rule 6A-1.12(6) in lieu of any offer received or award made as a result of this proposal, if it is in the best interest to do so. The District also reserves the right to separately bid any single order or to purchase any item on this proposal if it is in its best interest to do so.
  - E. **CONDITIONS AND PACKAGING:** It is understood and agreed that any item offered or shipped as a result of this proposal shall be new (current production model at the time of the proposal). All containers shall be suitable for storage or shipment, and all prices shall include standard commercial packaging.

**UNDERWRITERS' LABORATORIES:** Unless otherwise stipulated in the proposal, all manufactured items and fabricated assemblies shall be UL listed or re-

examination testing where such has been established by UL for the items offered and furnished.

4. **DELIVERY:** Unless actual date of delivery is specified, show number of days required to make delivery after receipt of purchase order in space provided. Delivery time may become a basis for making an award (See Special Conditions). Delivery shall be within the normal working hours of the user, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.
5. **BRAND NAMES:** Use of a brand name, trade name, make, model, manufacturer, or vendor catalog number in specifications is for the purpose of establishing a grade or quality of material only. It is not the District's intent to rule out other competition, therefore, the phrase OR ACCEPTABLE EQUAL is added. However, if a product other than that specified is bid, it is the vendor's responsibility to submit with the proposal brochures, samples and/or detailed specifications on items bid. The District shall be the sole judge concerning the merits of proposal submitted.

Bidder shall indicate on the proposal form the manufacturer's name and number if bidding other than the specified brands, and shall indicate ANY deviation from the specifications as listed. Other than specified items offered requires complete descriptive technical literature marked to indicate detail(s) conformance with specifications.
6. **QUALITY:** The items bid must be new and equal to or exceed specifications. The manufacturer's standard guarantee shall apply. During the guarantee period the successful bidder must repair and/or replace the unit without cost to the District with the understanding that all replacements shall carry the same guarantee as the original equipment. The successful bidder shall make any such repairs and/or replacements immediately upon receiving notice from the District.
7. **SAMPLES, DEMONSTRATIONS AND TESTING:**
  - A. Samples of items, when required, must be furnished free of expense and if not destroyed, will upon request, be returned at the bidder's expense. Request for the return of the samples must be indicated on his or her proposal. Each individual sample must be labeled with bidder's name, proposal number and item number. Failure of bidder to either deliver required samples or to clearly identify samples as indicated may be reason for rejection of the proposal. Unless otherwise indicated, samples should be delivered to the Purchasing Department, School District of St. Lucie County.
  - B. When required, the District may request full demonstrations of any units bid prior to the award of any contract.
  - C. Items may be tested for compliance with specifications under the direction of the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, or an independent testing laboratory. Bidders shall assume full responsibility for payment for any and all charges for testing and analysis of any materials offered or delivered that do not conform to the minimum required specifications. Bidder's disposition of all items delivered in this category must be at no expense to the District.
8. **INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE:** The successful bidder shall be responsible for delivery of items in good condition at point destination. Bidder shall file with the carrier all claims for breakage, imperfections, and other losses, which will be deducted from invoices. The District will note, for the benefit of successful bidder, when packages are not received in good condition. In the event the material and/or services supplied to the District is found to be defective or does not conform to specifications, the District reserves the right to cancel the order upon written notice to the seller and return the product to seller at the seller's expense.
9. **DEFAULT PROVISION:** In case of default by the bidder or contractor, the District may procure the articles or services from other sources and hold the bidder or contractor responsible for any excess costs incurred thereby.
10. **COPYRIGHTS OR PATENT RIGHTS:** Bidder warrants that there has been no violation of copyrights or patent rights in manufacturing, producing or selling the goods shipped or ordered as a result of this proposal. Seller agrees to hold the purchaser harmless from any and all liability, loss or expense occasioned by any such violation.

11. **MANUFACTURER'S CERTIFICATION:** The District reserves the right to request from bidders separate manufacturer certification of all statements made in the proposal.
12. **PROPOSAL ABSTRACTS:** Bidders desiring a copy of bid tabulation may request it by enclosing a self-addressed, stamped envelope with bid.
13. **OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY:** Vendor, as a result of award of this proposal, delivering any toxic substances item as defined in Florida Statute L442.102(21) shall furnish to the Purchasing Department, a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS). The material safety data sheet shall be provided with initial shipment and shall be revised on a timely basis as appropriate.  
  
The MSDS must include the following information:
  - A. The chemical name and the common name of the toxic substance.
  - B. The hazards or other risks in the use of the toxic substance, including:
    - (1) The potential for fire, explosion, corrosively and reactivity;
    - (2) The known acute and chronic health effects of risks from exposure, including the medical conditions which are generally recognized as being aggravated by exposure to the toxic substance; and
    - (3) The primary routes of entry and symptoms of overexposure.
  - C. The proper precautions, handling practices, necessary personal protective equipment, and other safety precautions in the use of or exposure to the toxic substances including appropriate emergency treatment in case of overexposure.
  - D. The emergency procedure for spills, fire, disposal and first aid.
  - E. A description in lay terms of the known specific potential health risks posed by the toxic substance intended to alert any person reading this information.
  - F. The year and month, if available, that the information was compiled and the name, address and emergency telephone number of the manufacturer responsible for preparing the information.

Any questions regarding this requirement should be directed to: Department of Labor and Employment Security, Bureau of Industrial Safety and Health, Toxic Waste Information Center, 2551 Executive Center Circle West, Tallahassee, FL 32301-5014, Telephone 1-800-367-4378.
14. **OSHA:** The bidder warrants that the product/services supplied to the School District of St. Lucie County shall conform in all respects to the standards set forth in the Occupational Safety and Health Act 1970, as amended, and the failure to comply with this condition will be considered as a breach of contract.
15. **ANTI-DISCRIMINATION:** The bidder certifies that they are in compliance with the non-discrimination clause contained in Section 202, Executive Order 11246, as amended by Executive Order 11375 relative to equal employment opportunity for all persons without regard to race, color religion, sex or national origin.
16. **ADVERTISING:** In submitting a proposal, bidder agrees not to use the results therefrom as a part of any commercial advertising without prior approval of the School District.
17. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST:** The award hereunder is subject to the provisions of Chapter 112, Florida Statutes. All bidders must disclose with their proposal the name of any officer, director or agent who is also an employee of the School Board of St. Lucie County. Further, all bidders must disclose the name of any Board employee who owns, directly or indirectly, an interest of 5% or more in the bidder's firm or any of its branches.
18. **DISPUTES:** In case of any doubt or difference of opinion as to the items to be furnished hereunder, the decision of the District shall be final and binding on both parties.
19. **LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:** Federal, state, county, and local laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations that in any manner affect the items covered herein apply. Lack of knowledge by the bidder will in no way be a cause for relief from responsibility.
20. **SIGNED PROPOSAL CONSIDERED AN OFFER:** This signed proposal shall be considered an offer on the part of the bidder, which offer shall be deemed accepted upon approval by the Board. In case of a default on the part of the bidder after such acceptance, the District may take such action as it deems appropriate including legal action for damages or specific performance.
21. **LIABILITY, INSURANCE, LICENSES, AND PERMITS:** Where bidders are required to enter or go onto School District property to deliver materials or perform work or services as a result of proposal award, the bidder will assume the full duty obligation and expense of obtaining all necessary licenses, permits and insurance. Bidder shall be liable for any damage or loss to the District incurred by bidder, bidder's employees, licenses of the bidder or agent or any person the bidder has designated in completion of his or her contract as a result of their proposal; further bidder shall be liable for all activities of bidder occasioned by performance of this bid. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the liability herein shall be limited to ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) and the bidder recognizes that and covenants that it has received consideration for indemnification provided herein.
22. **SPECIFICATIONS:** Any omissions of detail specifications stated herein that would render the materials/service from use as specified will not relieve the bidder from responsibility.
23. **BID BONDS AND PERFORMANCE BONDS:** Bid bonds, when required, shall be submitted with the proposal in the amount specified in Special Conditions. Bid bonds will be returned to unsuccessful bidders. After award of contract, the District will notify the successful bidder to submit a performance bond in the amount specified in Special Conditions. Upon receipt of the performance bond, the bid bond will be returned to the successful bidder.
24. **PAYMENT:** Payment will be made after the items/services awarded to a vendor have been received/completed, inspected and found to comply with award specifications, free of damage or defect and properly invoiced.
25. **SPECIAL CONDITIONS:** Any and all Special Conditions that may vary from these General Conditions.
26. **JESSICA LUNSFORD ACT:** The Vendor certifies it will comply with the requirements of the Jessica Lunsford Act (Section 1012.465, Florida Statutes) in regards to fingerprinting and level 2 background screenings of all employees and any subcontractors employees who will have access to any District school or property when students may be present, or will have direct contact with any student; or have access to or control of school funds. Vendor's failure to comply with this requirement will constitute a material breach of contract.
27. **LEGAL COMPLIANCE:** The Vendor guarantees that the services to be performed and the goods to be provided herein, shall comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, ordinances, regulations, orders and decrees, including without limitation such of the following acts as may be applicable: Federal Consumer Product Safety Act, Federal Fair Labor Standards Act, Occupational Safety and Health Act, Buy American, Energy Policy and Conservation, Federal Hazardous Substances Labeling Act, Byrd Anti-lobbying, Federal Flammable Fabrics Act, Clean Air & Water Pollution Acts, Copeland AntiKickback, Davis Bacon Act and any applicable environmental regulations. USDA purchase requirements also include 2 CFR 200.318(d), 7 CFR 3016.36(b)(4) and 2 CFR 200.321.
28. The purchasing agreements and state term contracts available under s. 287.056 have been reviewed.

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## 1. **INTRODUCTION**

### 1.1. Purpose

The School District of St. Lucie County (School District) requests written RFPs from qualified firms for Integrated Pest Management Services (IPM) – District Wide for interior and perimeter of District buildings. The purpose and intent of this Request for Proposal is to secure firm prices and establish a term contract for pest control services, as specified herein. The award will encompass a minimum of 41 schools, 100 portables and 397 busses and other district locations in the St. Lucie County School District. Additional schools and structures may be added anytime during the course of the contract period at a like price of comparable square footage. Schools are defined as all offices, classrooms, custodial rooms, library, and any other room(s) at each school site. The Food Service Departments are defined as kitchens storerooms, restrooms, manager’s office garbage areas and dining areas. Other areas that may require treatment are bathrooms, dishwashing areas, laundry areas, and other areas of the cafeteria. Outside areas to be treated will include the perimeter of all buildings for ants and roaches. Termite services are not included in this RFP.

The District’s intentions are to use IPM principles to prevent unacceptable levels of pest activity and damage by the most economical means and with the least possible hazard to people, property, and the environment. The choice of using a pesticide will be based on a review of all other available options and a determination that these options are not acceptable and/or feasible. Selected nonchemical pest management methods will be implemented whenever possible to provide the desired control. When it is determined that a pesticide must be used in order to meet management goals, the least hazardous will be chosen. The application of pesticides is subject to the Federal Insecticide Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (7 United States Code 136), School District Policies and Procedures, Environmental Protection Agency Regulations in Code 40 of Federal Regulations, Occupational Safety and Health Administration Regulations, and State and Local Regulations.

### 1.2. Minimum Qualifications

- a. All Proposers must be licensed in the State of Florida. Provide a copy of your current license and/or certificate that allows Proposer to provide the services proposed.
- b. The vendor(s) must hold certification as a Certified Pest Control Operator as required by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Bureau of Entomology and Pest Control. All employees of the awarded vendor(s) performing work under this bid must maintain current Identification Cardholders status throughout the term of this contract.

## 2. **INSTRUCTIONS TO PROPOSERS**

### 2.1. Authorized SLPS Representative/Public Notices/SLPS Discretion

Proposer’s response to this RFP must be submitted electronically through Bonfire. Any inquires by Proposer during this RFP process must be submitted in writing to the individual and address stated below. SLPS will consider only those inquiries submitted in writing (preferably via email) to the individual below on or before the time specified in Section 2.2, “RFP Schedule” for the submittal of written inquires prior to the Proposal opening time and date. To the extent SLPS determines, in its sole discretion, to respond to inquiry, such response will be made in writing and posted to Bonfire at <https://stlucieschools.bonfirehub.com/portal/?tab=openOpportunities> and on the SLPS Purchasing

website.

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Solicitation responses, tabulation and award will be made public in accordance with Florida Statute 119.071 and Florida Statute 286.0113.

The Board reserves the right to waive any formalities in any proposal and to accept any proposal which it considers to be in the best public interest, and to reject any or all proposals. **The decision of the BOARD SHALL BE FINAL.**

### 2.2. Proposed RFP Schedule

Listed below are the dates and time by which stated actions must be taken or completed. If SLPS determines, in its sole discretion, that it is necessary to change any of these dates and times, SLPS may issue an addendum to the RFP. All listed times are eastern standard times.

Date/Time	Action
January 4, 2023	RFP release date
January 12, 2023, 3:00 PM	Cut-off for Requests for Clarification and Technical Questions
January 25, 2023, 3:00 PM	Proposals Due
March 12, 2023	Contract State Date (tentative)

### 2.3. Proposer Inquires

2.3.1. SLPS is not liable for interpretations/misinterpretations or other errors or omissions made by the Proposer in responding to this RFP. The Proposer shall examine this RFP to determine if SLPS's terms and conditions and requirements are clearly stated. If, after examination of the various terms and conditions and requirements of this RFP, the Proposer believes there are any terms and conditions or requirements which remain unclear or which restrict competition, the Proposer may request, in writing, that SLPS clarify the terms(s) and condition(s) and requirement(s) specified by the Proposer. The Proposer must provide the Section(s), Subsection(s), Paragraph(s), and page number(s) that identify the conditions or requirements questioned by the Proposer. Requests for clarification and technical questions to this RFP must be received by SLPS not later than the date shown in Section 2.2, entitled "Proposed RFP Schedule", for the submittal of written inquires. The Proposers' failure to request clarification and submit questions by the date described above shall be considered to constitute the Proposers' acceptance of all of SLPS's terms and conditions and requirements. SLPS shall issue an addendum reflecting the questions and answers to this RFP, if any, which shall be sent to all Proposers as specified in Section 2.1.

2.3.2. Any inquiries from the Proposer concerning this RFP shall be submitted in writing to the individual identified in Section 2.1. All inquiries must be sent by email

(kimberly.albritton@stlucieschools.org) and will be answered in an addendum that will be issued no later than seven (7) days before the due date. Inquiries must be legible and concise and must clearly identify the Proposer who is submitting the inquiry. Question **MAY NOT** be sent to any other employees.

**2.3.3. Respondents to this solicitation or persons acting on their behalf may not contact, between the release of the solicitation and the end of the 72-hour period following the agency posting the notice of intended award, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and State holidays, any employee or officer of the School Board of St. Lucie County concerning any aspect of this solicitation, except in writing to the authorized SLPS representative identified in section 2.1. Violation of this provision may be grounds for rejecting a response.**

**2.4. Site Inspections**

The below sites/schools will be available for inspection on the following date: January 10, 2023.

Pest Control RFP Visitors		
Time	School Name	Sister school (Similar design and size)
12:00pm	Fort Pierce Central High School	Treasure Coast High School
1:30pm	Fairlawn Elementary	F.K. Sweet Elementary
3:00pm	Forest Grove Middle	Southport Middle
4:30pm	Samuel Gaines Academy K-8	Oak Hammock, West Gate, Palm Pointe

**2.5. Proposal Due Date**

Proposer’s response to this RFP shall be prepared in accordance with Section 3.0, Proposal Response Format and the format contained with Bonfire Procurement Portal. Bids must be submitted electronically thru Bonfire. The St Lucie Public Schools bid portal is located at the following address: <https://stlucieschools.bonfirehub.com/opportunities>, **no later than the date and time shown in Section 2.2, according to the time stamp located in SLPS’s Purchasing Department.** Proposals or amendments to proposals that arrive after the date and time shown in Section 2.2 will not be accepted or considered for any reason whatsoever. Telephone, including facsimile and mail proposals shall not be accepted at any time. **At the date and time shown in Section 2.2, all timely proposals will be opened for the sole purpose of recording the names only of the Proposers submitting electronic proposals.**

Sealed proposals will be accepted up to, and no proposals may be withdrawn after, the deadline for proposal submission time and date shown above.

Your submission must be uploaded, submitted, and finalized prior to the Closing Time listed in Section 2.2. We strongly recommend that you give yourself enough time and **at least ONE (1) day before** Closing Time to begin the uploading process and to finalize your submission. The District will not accept late submission due to technological difficulties.

Uploading large documents may take significant time, depending on the size of the file(s) and your Internet connection speed. You will receive an email confirmation receipt with a unique

confirmation number once you finalize your submission.

Minimum system requirements: Internet Explorer 11, Microsoft Edge, Google Chrome, or Mozilla Firefox. JavaScript must be enabled. Browser cookies must be enabled. St. Lucie School District uses a Bonfire portal for accepting and evaluating proposals digitally. Please contact Bonfire at Support@GoBonfire.com for technical questions related to your submission. You can also visit their help forum at <https://bonfirehub.zendesk.com/hc>

**2.6. Proposal Opening Date**

Proposals will be opened in the Business Services conference room located at 9461 Brandywine Lane, Port St Lucie, FL 34986, on the date and at the time shown in Section 2.2, "Proposed RFP Schedule". **All timely proposals will be opened for the sole purpose of recording the names only of the Proposers submitting electronic proposals.** Please see Purchasing Department website for posted public meeting notice.

**2.7. Evaluation Criteria**

The Selection Committee will evaluate the proposals to determine who to shortlist based upon the Evaluation Criteria below. Once firms are shortlisted the Board has the option to select a firm or may elect to interview firms and then make the final selection.

The following Criteria are intended to provide the Selection Committee with information regarding the qualifications of each proposing services firm. The submittal shall be organized and shall respond to each of the criteria in the same order listed below.

An adjectival scoring system shall be applied throughout the evaluation process for the evaluation of the written responses and the oral presentation/informal interviews. A score of 0 is the least favorable and a score of 10 is the most favorable in all sections.

The Firm’s response will be scored by Evaluation Committee members in accordance with the following scale:

0	Unsatisfactory: Not responsive to the question(s).
1	Below Minimum Standards: Minimal Response to the question well below acceptable standards.
2	Below Minimum Standards: Somewhat responsive to the question but well below acceptable standards
3	Marginal: Minimal acceptable performance standards and somewhat responsive to the questions.
4	Marginal: Minimal acceptable performance standards and responsive to the questions.
5	Satisfactory: Meets performance expectations and responsive to the question.
6	Satisfactory: Meets performance expectations, effective and responsive to the question.
7	Above Satisfactory: Meets expectations and slightly exceeds expectations.
8	Above Satisfactory: Meets expectations and exceeds expectations.
9	Above Satisfactory / Exceeds Expectations for effectiveness and responsiveness to question.
10	Exceeds Expectations for effectiveness, performance, and responsiveness to question.

NOTE: The Evaluation Committee member’s score will be multiplied by the “weighted value” assigned to the different sections listed here, resulting in the total score for that section.

Firms are required to include requested information in EACH section listed below (even if duplicate information). Each section will be scored individually and shall not reference other sections of the proposal.

ITEM	EVALUATION CRITERIA	MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE POINTS
A)	Approach/Methodology	35
B)	Experience and Qualifications	25
C)	Cost	40
D)	<b>TOTAL POINTS</b>	<b>100</b>

**EVALUATION FACTOR 1: APPROACH/METHODOLOGY (35 points)**

Briefly state the understanding of the proposer regarding the work to be done, outlined in the scope of services. Give the names of the persons who will service the account, their titles, addresses and telephone numbers; and the Contractor’s proven capacity, capability and expertise in service. The Committee will review the Proposer/Contractor’s ability to provide, schedule and manage personnel, provide equipment/supplies and services at the same time within both scheduled and non-scheduled “as required” time frames, particularly as demonstrated in other similar project environments particularly in school districts. Include the standard response time for a service call and for an emergency service call. Provide the number of people assigned to the account and the anticipated availability to service the account for issues.

Proposer must also provide a detailed and comprehensive Pest Control Plan and a detailed and comprehensive Quality Control Program.

The Pest Control Plan shall consist of five parts as follows:

1. Proposed materials and equipment for service: The Contractor shall provide current labels and Material Safety Data Sheets for all pesticides to be used, and brand names of pesticide application equipment, insect trapping devices, pest monitoring devices, pest detection equipment, and any other pest control devices or equipment that may be used to provide service.
2. Proposed methods for monitoring and detection: The Contractor shall describe methods and procedures to be used for identifying sites of pest harborage and access, and for making objective assessments of pest population levels throughout the term of the contract.
3. Service schedule for each building or site: The Contractor shall provide proposed service and monitor schedules that include weekly or monthly frequency of Contractor visits, specific day(s) of the week of Contractor visits, and approximate duration of each visit. Initial set-up, infestations, and reoccurrences shall be monitored on an as needed basis. Food Service serves breakfast and lunch to students so coordination of service to the school cafeterias will need to be made when not serving meals.
4. Description of any structural or operational changes that would facilitate the pest control effort: The Contractor shall describe site-specific solutions for observed sources of pest food, water, harborage, and access.

### Quality Control Program

The Quality Control Program shall include at least the following items:

1. Inspection System: The Contractor's quality control inspection system shall cover all the services stated in this contract. The purpose of the system is to detect and correct deficiencies in the quality of services before the level of performance becomes unacceptable and/or the Project Manager identifies the deficiencies.
2. Checklist: A quality control checklist shall be used in evaluating contract performance during regularly scheduled and unscheduled inspections. The checklist shall include every building or site serviced by the Contractor as well as every task required to be performed.
3. File: A quality control file shall contain a record of all inspections conducted by the Contractor and any corrective actions taken. The file shall be maintained throughout the term of the contract and made available to the Project Manager upon request.
4. Inspector(s): The Contractor shall state the name(s) of the individual(s) responsible for performing the quality control inspections.

### **EVALUATION FACTOR 2: EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS (25 points)**

The Contractor's ability to meet all of the requirements regarding licensing, insurance will be considered by the Committee. This review will include the Contractor's ability to retain contracts, perform satisfactorily within each contract, to meet all of the overall demands set forth by this RFP. Additionally, the Contractor's ability to remain current on all industry standards and improving trends and discipline will be considered in this portion of the evaluation. Contractor's performance based on references may be reviewed and evaluated, particularly in areas of responsiveness, ability to provide service, contractor's resources available to the School District for this contract, such as personnel, equipment, supplies, services, and other related resource factors to the proposer's professional expertise. This section will include evaluation of the proposer's working credentials of its company, technical and professional personnel. This review may also include, but not be limited to, the Contractor's financial stability, as evidenced in the ability to provide ongoing adequate personnel, supplies, materials and services to complete projects and meet requirements within allotted time schedules. References will be evaluated under this category.

- a. State whether the proposer is local, regional or national.
- b. Give the location of the office from which the work is to be done.
- c. Describe the range of services offered.
- d. Describe the experience of the proposer for providing similar services to school districts and agencies within the State of Florida.
- e. References from at least three (3) other agencies, preferably school districts for which similar services are currently being performed or services which have been performed in the past three (3) years. Provide this information on Attachment C.
- f. Identify the specific individuals who would serve the District on a day-to-day basis as the primary points of contact and be responsible for the service of the proposer. The individuals identified shall be available within 24 hours' notice by telephone to accomplish the following:
  - Attend meetings.
  - Respond to telephone calls.
  - Respond to specific inquiries.

The individual must also be able to respond to emergency calls within 45 minutes.

- g. Commercial Pesticide Applicator Certificates or Licenses: The Contractor shall provide photocopies of State-issued Commercial Pesticide Applicator Certificates or Licenses for every contractor

- employee who will be performing on-site service under this contract.
- h. Provide copies of insurance (that comply with requirements in Attachment E). If your current limits do not match the required limits, submit a notarized letter from your Insurance Agent/Carrier that you can increase your coverage to the required limits and how long it will take after award.

**EVALUATION FACTOR 3: COST (40 points)**

The Contractor’s ability to provide realistic, competitive and economical pricing and corresponding increases for each renewal option year will be reviewed, compared, and evaluated by the Selection Committee. Proposers submitting the lowest prices will receive the highest scores for this evaluation factor. Material discounts will be factored in as well under this category.

The failure of any firm to provide detailed information regarding proposal elements described in Section 2.7 may result in the reduction of points in the evaluation process.

**2.8. Selection Process**

The Evaluation Committee will evaluate the Proposals received in response to this RFP based on the Evaluation Criteria in Section 2.7.

**2.9. Posting of Recommended Selection**

The recommended selection, if any, will be posted for review by interested parties on the St. Lucie Public Schools Purchasing Department website, Bonfire (<https://stlucieschools.bonfirehub.com/portal/?tab=openOpportunities>)

If the Proposer desires to protest the recommended selection(s), if any, the Proposer must file with the Office of Purchasing:

1. Written notice of intent to protest within seventy-two (72) hours (three (3) business days) of the posting of the recommended selection. SLPS shall not extend or waive this time requirement for any reason whatsoever.
2. A formal written protest by petition within ten (10) calendar days of the date of the notice of protest was filed.
3. Failure to file in writing a notice of intent to protest or a formal protest by petition within the time prescribed in section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, or failure to post the bond or other security required by law within the time allowed for filing a bond shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under chapter 120, Florida Statutes.

(Note: Florida Statutes 120.57(3) and School Board Policy 7.701 contain entire procedure for filing).

**2.10. Proposal Validity Period**

Any submitted proposal, shall in its entirety, remain a valid proposal for one year after the proposal submission date.

### **2.11. Disposition of Proposals**

All proposals become the property of SLPS, and SLPS shall have the right to use all ideas, and/or adaptations of those ideas, contained in any proposal received in response to this RFP. Any parts of the proposal or any other material(s) submitted to SLPS with the proposal that are copyrighted or expressly marked as “confidential”, “proprietary”, or “trade secret”, will be exempted from the “open records disclosure requirements” of Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, but only to the extent expressly authorized by Florida law. If Proposer wishes to mark items as confidential or exempt, the Proposer must also reference the specific law that allows the exemption. SLPS’s selection or rejection of a proposal will not affect this exemption

### **2.12. Economy of Presentation**

SLPS is not liable for any costs incurred by a Proposer in responding to this RFP including, without limitation costs for oral presentations requested by SLPS, if any.

### **2.13. Verbal Instructions**

No negotiations, decisions, or actions shall be initiated or executed by the Proposer as a result of any discussions with any SLPS employee. Only those communications that are in writing from the authorized SLPS representative identified in section 2.1 of this RFP shall be considered as duly authorized expression on behalf of SLPS.

## **3. REQUIRED PROPOSAL FORMAT**

The Proposer shall not alter the RFP in any way. The contract, if any, resulting from the RFP shall attach the entire RFP and incorporate the RFP by reference.

To facilitate analysis of its proposal, it is highly recommended that the Proposer prepare its proposal in accordance with the instructions outlined in this section.

SLPS emphasizes that the Proposer concentrate on accuracy, completeness, and clarity of content. The Proposer must use sections which are clearly identified and also must number and label all parts, pages, figures, and tables in its proposal. Proposer’s response to this RFP must be submitted to SLPS’s online procurement portal listed in Section 2.1 above.

**Proposal Sections** (refer to Bonfire for required sections)

### **3.1. Executive Summary Requirements**

Each conforming response will contain an executive summary of not more than two pages in length. The purpose of the executive summary is to explain the features and benefits of the prospective vendor's offer(s). The Executive Summary should briefly introduce the potential vendor to the Evaluation Committee; describe the vendor's approach to solutions sought by the RFP; describe the major features and benefits of the prospective vendor's approach; offer insight into risks that may arise from this RFP or the vendor's response; provide a generalized pricing summary (detailed pricing will be required in the pricing section of the response); an explanation of how pricing for the proposal was arrived at; any pricing constraints applied to the RFP.

**3.2. Incorporated References**

Please write out all responses in full. Do not "incorporate" brochure or product literature references, direct the reader to Web pages, or refer to other third-party documentation in this response. Clearly label all supporting material.

The Evaluation Committee is not responsible for gathering information from multiple sources to form and assess a complete response. Responses will be evaluated exactly as written, except in the narrow circumstances noted in this RFP.

**4. AWARD**

All proposals will be evaluated in accordance with the evaluation criteria specified in this document. Based on the proposals received, the Board may elect to proceed based on any of the following options, but will not necessarily be limited only to these options: (1) Award to the best initial proposal without any further discussion or negotiation; (2) Negotiate with the highest ranked firm or firms (the Board reserves the right to make multiple awards), or; (3) require the top ranked firms to make oral presentations. Proposers are advised to provide a competitive offer with the initial proposal since the District reserves the right to award a contract based on initial proposals without further discussion or negotiation.

The proposal(s) most advantageous to the Board, at its sole discretion, will be selected. The Board reserves the right to negotiate out unacceptable clauses or restrictions incorporated within an otherwise acceptable proposal. In the event that a mutually acceptable contract between the Board and the selected Proposer cannot be successfully negotiated and executed, the Board reserves the right to discontinue negotiations with such Proposer and to negotiate and execute a contract with the next highest ranked Proposer.

Award will not be based solely on economics, but rather an evaluation of all aspects of the proposal.

The Board reserves the right to make multiple awards.

**5. CONTRACT PERIOD**

The initial contract period will be a one (1) year term with the option to renew the contract for three (3) additional one-year periods, at the same terms and conditions of the initial contract period. The contract may be renewed, by mutual written agreement between the parties.

**6. PAYMENT TERMS**

The District's payment terms are pursuant to Chapter 218, Florida Statutes; Florida Prompt Payment Act. Itemized invoices, each bearing the Purchase Order Number must be mailed on the day of shipment. Invoicing subject to cash discounts will be mailed on the day that they are dated.

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

**7. INDEMNIFICATION / HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT**

The successful proposer(s) shall, in addition to any other obligation to indemnify the St. Lucie County School District and to the fullest extent permitted by law, protect, defend, indemnify and hold harmless the School District, their agents, officers, elected officials and employees from and against all claims, actions, liabilities, losses (including economic losses), costs arising out of any actual or alleged;

A. bodily injury, sickness, disease or death, or injury to or destruction of tangible property including the loss

of use resulting there from, or any other damage or loss arising out of, or claimed to have resulted in whole or in part from any actual or alleged act or omission of the vendor, subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them, of anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable in the performance of the work; or

- B. violation of law, statute, ordinance, governmental administration order, rule or regulation by vendor in the performance of the work; or
- C. liens, claims or actions made by the vendor or any subcontractor or other party performing the work.

The indemnification obligations hereunder shall not be limited to any limitation on the amount, type of damages, compensation or benefits payable by or for the vendor of any subcontractor under workers' compensation acts; disability benefit acts, other employee benefit acts or any statutory bar.

Any costs or expenses, including attorney's fees, incurred by the St. Lucie County School District to enforce this agreement shall be borne by the vendor.

Awardees(s) recognize the broad nature of this indemnification and hold harmless article, and voluntarily makes this covenant and expressly acknowledges the receipt of TEN DOLLARS payable upon receipt of first invoice and other good and valuable consideration provided by the District in support of this indemnification in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida. This article will survive the termination of this contract.

**8. ACCESS AND AUDITS**

The vendor shall maintain adequate records to justify all charges, expenses, and costs incurred in estimating and performing the work for at least three (3) years after completion of the contract. The School District shall have access to all records, documents and information collected and/or maintained by others in the course of the administration of the contract. This information shall be made accessible to the School District upon request. It shall be the vendor's responsibility to ensure that all required records are provided to the School District at the vendor's expense.

**9. ENTIRETY OF CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT**

The School District and the Contractor agree that this RFP sets forth the entire agreement between the parties, and that there are no promises or understandings other than those stated herein. None of the provisions, terms and conditions contained in this document may be added to, deleted, modified, superseded or otherwise altered, except by written instrument executed by the parties hereto.

The contents of this RFP and all provisions of the awarded bidder's submittal shall be considered a contract and become legally binding. A separate contract document, other than the purchase order, may not be issued.

**10. SCHOOL DISTRICT OF ST. LUCIE COUNTY, FLORIDA RIGHTS**

The School Board reserves the right to:

- A. Reject any and all offers received as a result of this proposal.
- B. Disqualify a bidder from receiving the award if such proposer, or anyone in the proposer's employment, has previously failed to perform satisfactorily in connection with public bidding or contracts.

- C. Seek clarification of information submitted and to waive minor irregularities in any proposal.
- D. Accept and utilize any and all ideas submitted in any proposal.
- E. Negotiate further with any bidder responding to this proposal if it will serve the best interest of the School District.
- F. Select and award the contract to the responsive bidder providing the best value to the School District.
- G. If the School District determines additional features, service, modifications, or deletions are needed and it is in the District's best interest, the District may enter into negotiations with the vendor to amend the contract.
- H. Select and award services to more than one vendor if it will serve in the best interest of the School District

#### **11. CANCELLATION OF AWARD/TERMINATION**

- A. The District reserves the right to terminate the agreement between the parties, at any time and for any reason, upon giving 30 days prior written notice to the vendor. The District will only be required to pay to the service provider(s) that amount of the contract actually performed to the date of termination.
- B. The School District reserves the right to immediately terminate the contract by providing written notice to the vendor if the School District determines any of the following have occurred:
  - I. The vendor knowingly furnished any statement, representation, warranty or certification in connection with the solicitation or the contract, which representation is materially false, deceptive, incorrect, or incomplete.
  - II. The vendor fails to perform to the School District's satisfaction any material requirement of the contract or defaults in performance of the contract.
  - III. The performance of the contract is substantially endangered by the action or inaction of the vendor, or such occurrence can be reasonably anticipated.
  - IV. The vendor violates any federal, state or local laws.
  - V. The State enacts a law, which removes or restricts the authority of the School District to conduct all or part of its function.

Such termination is to be effective as of the date specified in the notice to vendor. Upon receipt of such notice, vendor shall: (i) discontinue all work in accordance with the School District's instructions, (ii) terminate all existing orders and subcontracts insofar as such orders and subcontracts relate to the performance of the terminated work. Upon termination, vendor shall deliver to School District those goods for which School District has made payment, including all Goods in manufacture, but not yet completed and all Work Products, whether or not in final form, created by vendor or its subcontractor prior to termination.

Cancellation of contract by the successful Proposer may result in removal from Bidders'/Proposers' list for a period of three years.

**12. DEFAULT**

In the event that the successful bidder should breach this contract the District reserves the right to seek remedies in law and/or in equity.

**13. MINOR PROPOSAL EXCEPTIONS**

This School District reserves the right to waive minor deviations or exceptions in proposal's providing such action is in the best interest of the School District of St. Lucie County. Minor deviations/exceptions are defined as those that have no adverse effect upon the School District's interest and would not affect the outcome of the award by giving a respondent an advantage or benefit not enjoyed by other respondents.

**14. NON – EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS**

The right to provide the commodities and services, which will be granted under the contract, shall not be exclusive. The School District reserves the right to contract for and purchase commodities and services from as many firms as it deems necessary without infringing upon or terminating the contract.

**15. LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

It shall be the responsibility of the contractor to be knowledgeable of all federal, state, county and local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations that in any manner affect the items covered herein which may apply. Lack of knowledge by the Bidder(s) will in no way be a cause for relief from responsibility.

Bidders doing business with the District are prohibited from discriminating against any employee, applicant, or client because of age, ancestry, citizenship status, color, disability, ethnicity, genetic information, gender, gender expression, gender identity, marital status, medical condition, national origin, political beliefs, race, religion, religious beliefs, sex, sexual orientation, or veteran status with regard to, but not limited to, the following: employment practices, rates of pay or other compensation methods, and training selection.

**16. CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

All Proposers must disclose the name of any officer, director, or agent who is also an employee of the District. All Proposers must disclose the name of any District employee who owns, directly or indirectly, any interest in the Proposers' business or any of its branches.

**17. PUBLIC RECORDS LAW**

IF CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE CONTRATOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THE AGREEMENT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS, AT (772) 429-5546, 9461 BRANDY WINE LANE, Port St Lucie, FL 34986.

Contractor is required to comply with the Florida Public Records Law, Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, in the performance of its duties under this contract and will specifically:

- a. Keep and maintain public records required by the School Board to perform the service.
- b. Upon request from the School Board's custodian of public records, provide the School Board with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost

that does not exceed the cost provided in the Chapter 119, Florida Statutes or as otherwise provided by law.

- c. Ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the contract term and following completion of the Agreement if the Contractor does not transfer the records to the School Board.
- d. Upon completion of the contact, transfer, at no cost, to the School Board all public records in possession of Contractor or keep and maintain public records required by the School Board to perform the service. If Contractor transfers all public records to the School Board upon completion of the contract, Contractor shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If Contractor keeps and maintains public records upon completion of the contract, Contractor shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records. All records stored electronically must be provided to the School Board, upon request of the School Board's custodian of public records, in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of the School Board.
- e. The failure of the Contractor to comply with the provisions set forth herein shall constitute a default and material breach of this Agreement, which may result in immediate termination, with no penalty to the School Board.

**IF THE PROPOSER HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE PROPOSER'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT ST LUCIE PUBLIC SCHOOLS, 772-429-5546, 9461 BRANDYWINE LANE, PORT ST LUCIE, FL 34986.**

#### **18. PERMITS AND LICENSES**

The Proposer(s) will be responsible for obtaining any necessary permits and licenses and will comply with laws, rules, and regulations whether state or federal and with all local codes and ordinances without additional cost to the District.

#### **19. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS**

The proposer(s) will indemnify and hold harmless, the District from liability of any nature or kind, including costs and expenses for or on account of any copyrighted, service marked, trademarked, patented or unpatented invention, process, article or work manufactured or used in the performance of the contract, including its use by the District. If the proposer(s) uses any design, device, materials or works covered by letters, service mark, trademark, patent, copyright or any other intellectual property right, it is mutually agreed and understood without exception that the proposal prices will include all royalties of costs arising from the use of such design, device, or materials in any way involved in the work. This article will survive the termination of any contract with the School District.

#### **20. SUB-CONTRACTS**

Nothing contained in this specification will be construed as establishing any contractual relationship between any sub-proposer(s) and the District. The proposer(s) will be fully responsible to the District for the acts and omissions of the Sub-Proposer(s) and their employees. After award of contract, any changes in subcontractors or sub-proposers shall require prior School District written approval. If Proposer intends to

utilize subcontractors, include with the response a detailed list of firms (include Firm Name, Licenses, and intended scope of work).

**21. INDULGENCE**

Indulgence by the District on any non-compliance by the proposer does not constitute a waiver of any rights under this proposal.

**22. PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES**

Pursuant to Section 287.133, F.S., as amended, a person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a bid/RFP on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a bid/RFP on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids/RFPs on leases of real property to a public entity, may not be awarded or perform work as a vendor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017, for CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.

The Proposer(s) certifies by submission of this RFP, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.

**23. ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT AND/OR PAYMENT**

Neither the contract resulting from this RFP, if any, nor any duties or obligations under such contract shall be assignable by the Proposer without the prior written consent of SLPS. Any contract resulting from this RFP may be amended only in writing signed by the Proposer and SLPS with the same degree of formality evidenced in the contract resulting from this RFP.

**24. RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES**

All rights and privileges accorded to the state as buyer by chapter 672, Florida Statutes, shall apply to any transactions(s) resulting from this proposal. Any attempt by respondent to limit such rights shall have no force and effect.

Warranties submitted with your proposal, either appearing separately or included in reprinted literature and price lists, shall not be acceptable and provisions herein take precedence.

**25. CONTRACT VARIANCES AND EXCEPTIONS**

Vendor shall provide any variances, exceptions, or variations to requirements, specifications, products, and/or services outlined in this proposal. Use additional sheets if needed.

**26. DISCLAIMER**

This Request for Proposal (RFP) is not an offer of purchase. It is a request for product/service information and costs to assist the School District of the School District of St. Lucie County to make an acquisition decision and enter into a contract with the successful proposing firm for the services outlined in the Scope of Work and the Proposal. Neither the schools, the Purchasing Department, nor any other department or

person are authorized to make a commitment until this solicitation process has been completed and a written purchase order is provided to the successful proposing firm.

## **27. ANNUAL APPROPRIATION**

Notwithstanding anything in the Agreement to the contrary, the Agreement shall be subject to annual review by the School Board and the School Board may elect to not renew the Agreement. The School Board's performance and obligation to pay under this agreement will be subject to and contingent upon the availability of funds appropriated by the School Board of St. Lucie County or otherwise lawfully expendable for the purposes of such agreement for the current and future periods. The School Board shall give notice to the contracting party of the non-availability of such funds when the School Board has knowledge thereof. Upon receipt of such notice by the Contracting Party, the Contracting Party shall be entitled to payment only for those services performed prior to the date notice is received.

## **28. JOINT PROPOSAL**

In the event multiple proposers submit a joint proposal in response to the RFP, a single proposer shall be identified as the Prime Vendor. If offering a joint proposal, Prime Vendor must include the name and address of all parties of the joint proposal. Prime Vendor shall provide all bonding and insurance requirements, execute any Contract, complete the **REQUIRED RESPONSE FORM** shown herein, and have overall and complete accountability to resolve any dispute arising within this contract. Only a single contract with one proposer shall be acceptable. Prime Vendor responsibilities shall include, but not be limited to, performing of overall contract administration, preside over other proposers participating or present at District meetings, oversee preparation of reports and presentations, and file any notice of protest and final protest as described herein. Prime Vendor shall also prepare and present a consolidated invoice(s) for services performed. The District shall issue only one check for each consolidated invoice to the Prime Vendor for services performed. Prime Vendor shall remain responsible for performing services associated with response to this RFP.

## **29. STATE LICENSING REQUIREMENTS**

All corporations seeking to do business with the State of Florida shall, at the time of submitting a proposal in response to this RFP, either be on file or have applied for registration with the Florida Department of State in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 607, Florida Statutes. A copy of the registration/application must be furnished to SLPS when submitting the proposal. The successful Proposer, if any, shall be on file with the Florida Department of State at the time of execution of a contract resulting from this RFP, if any. Similarly partnerships seeking to do business with the State shall, at the time of submitting such a proposal, have complied with the applicable provisions of Chapter 620, Florida Statutes. A statement shall be required indicating that the Proposer is a corporation or other legal entity. If subcontractors are used, a statement shall also be required indicating that all subcontractors are registered with the State of Florida in accordance with Chapter 607 or 620, Florida Statutes, providing their corporate charter numbers. For additional information, the Proposer shall contact the Florida Secretary of State's Office at (850) 245-6500.

## **30. PROCUREMENT RULES**

The Proposer is solely responsible for the accuracy and completeness of its proposal. Errors or omissions may be grounds for SLPS's rejection of the proposal.

## **31. FORCE MAJEURE**

Under the resulting contract, if any, neither Purchaser nor vendor shall be responsible or liable for, or

deemed in breach because of, any delay in the performance of their respective obligations due solely to circumstances beyond the reasonable control and without the fault or negligence of the party experiencing such delay, including, but not limited to, acts of God; unusually severe weather conditions; strikes or other labor difficulties; riots; requirements, actions or failures to act on the part of governmental authorities; inability despite due diligence to obtain required permits or licenses; accident; fire; damage to or breakdown of necessary facilities; or transportation delays or accidents (such causes hereinafter called "Force Majeure") provided, however, the party experiencing the Force Majeure shall exercise due diligence in endeavoring to overcome any Force Majeure impediment to its performance, but settlement of its labor difficulties shall be entirely within its discretion; and provided further that the party experiencing the Force Majeure shall promptly give oral notification to the other party. Such oral notification shall be confirmed in writing within five (5) days after such party has learned of the Force Majeure and every thirty (30) days thereafter, and such written notification shall give a full and complete explanation of the Force Majeure delay and its cause, the status of the Force Majeure, and the actions such party is taking and proposes to take to overcome the Force Majeure. The party experiencing the delay shall undertake reasonable measures to make up for the time lost through delay without additional Compensation.

If performance by either party is delayed due to Force Majeure, the time for that performance shall be extended for a period of time reasonably necessary to overcome the effect of the delay, subject, however, to Purchaser's right to terminate the contract in whole or in part.

### **32. PRICE ESCALATION**

In the event of unforeseen circumstances that directly impact the pricing and/or servicing of this Contract, the School District will consider a price adjustment requested in writing by the Contractor.

Upon receipt of a Contractor's written request for a price adjustment, the School District will consider pricing adjustment based on the following conditions:

- A. There is a verifiable price increase of the goods or services to the supplier.
- B. The price increase is reasonable and supported by third-party documentation such as manufacturers' or distributors' price changes or changes in industry related indices.
- C. The Contractor shall submit the above information to the Director of Financial Operations thirty (30) calendar days prior to the effective date of the price increase. Approval of a pricing increase is at the sole discretion of the School District.

The Director of Financial Operations will review the information to determine if it is in the best interest of the School District to adjust the pricing on the in conjunction with the contractor's effective date of price increase. The School District reserves the right to deny any requests for price increases.

### **33. AMENDMENT OF CONTRACT**

Any contract resulting from this RFP may be amended only in writing signed by the awarded vendor(s) and the School Board.

### **34. GOVERNING LAW AND JURISDICTION**

Any contract resulting from this RFP shall be governed by the laws of Florida, without giving effect to the choice of laws principles thereof, and is deemed to have been executed, entered into and performed within Florida. The parties hereby irrevocably submit to jurisdiction in Florida, and venue shall lie in the St. Lucie County Courts. The parties hereby waive any objection to such jurisdiction and venue.

**35. SEVERABILITY**

In the event any provision, or any part or portion of any provision of a resulting contract from this RFP shall become or be declared unlawful, invalid, void or otherwise unenforceable, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be reduced only as much as is required to remove the unenforceability. The balance of the contract shall remain of full force and effect.

**36. NON-WAIVER OF RIGHTS**

The failure of Purchaser to demand strict performance of the terms of, or to exercise any right conferred in, the resulting contract shall not be construed as a waiver or relinquishment of its right to assert or rely upon any such term or right in the future, or consent to any continuing or subsequent failure or breach.

**37. ETHICAL BUSINESS PRACTICES**

It shall be unethical for any person to offer, give, or agree to give any Board employee, or for any Board employee to solicit, demand, accept, or agree to accept from another person, a gratuity or an offer of employment in connection with any decision, approval, disapproval, recommendation, or preparation of any part of a program requirement or a purchase request, influencing the content of any specification or procurement standard, rendering of advice, investigation, auditing, or performing in any other advisory capacity in any proceeding or application, request for ruling, determination, claim or controversy, or other particular matter, subcontract, or to any solicitation or proposal therefore.

It shall be unethical for any payment, gratuity, or offer of employment to be made by or on behalf of any other party under a contract to the awarded firm or any person associated therewith, as an inducement for the award of a subcontract or order.

**38. SECTION 287.084(1)(A), FLORIDA STATUTES**

In accordance with Section 287.084(1)(a), Florida Statutes, if the low bid is submitted by vendor whose principal place of business is out of state or political subdivision thereof which grants a preference to a person whose principal place of business is in such state, then a preference to the lowest responsible and responsive vendor having a principal place of business within Florida shall be granted, which preference is equal to the preference granted by the state or political subdivision thereof in which the lowest responsible and responsive vendor has its principal place of business. If the low bid is submitted by a vendor whose principal place of business is located outside the state and that state does not grant a preference in competitive solicitation to vendors having a principal place of business in that state, then the preference to the lowest responsible and responsive vendor having a principle place of business in Florida shall be five (5) percent.

Out-of-state vendors must submit a written opinion of an attorney licensed to practice law in that foreign state, as to the preferences, if any or none, granted by the law of that state to its own business entities whose principal place of business are in that state in the letting of any or all public contracts

**39. PIGGY-BACK, COOPERATIVE PRICING**

In accordance with State Board of Education Rule 6A-1.012 please be so notified that the any and all other Florida school districts, governmental agencies, municipalities and St. Lucie County entities are hereby authorized to procure from this RFP, at their own discretion.

The quantities listed herein are only anticipated estimated usages from the St. Lucie Public Schools and do not reflect usage factors from other governmental agencies or Florida state school districts. Please govern yourselves accordingly. The St. Lucie Public Schools Purchasing Department is at all times custodian of this bid.

By signing and submitting a bid to this RFP, your firm acknowledges that it is in full agreement.

#### **40. WARRANTY OF SERVICES**

Contractor warrants and represents to District that each item of goods provided pursuant to this purchase order shall: (a) strictly conform to the requirements of this purchase order, (b) be free from defects in workmanship, materials and design, (c) be merchantable, (d) be fit for its intended use, and (e) be new. Unless otherwise stated in the purchase order, no surplus, rebuilt, reconditioned, or used goods shall be provided. Contractor warrants that any services shall: (a) be performed in a good and competent manner in accordance with professional industry standards (with the level of skill, knowledge and judgment required or reasonably expected of providers of comparable services), (b) meet the terms of this purchase order, and (c) be free from defects. This warranty for quality of services shall be effective for two (2) years after acceptance of all work unless specified otherwise in a bid/proposal award.

#### **41. SECTION 448.095, FLA. STATUTE-E-VERIFY**

A. Section 448.095, F.S., requires the Contractor to use the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system, <https://e-verify.uscis.gov/emp>, to verify the employment eligibility of all employees hired during the term of this Agreement.

B. Subcontractors.

(i) The Contractor shall also require all subcontractors performing work under this Agreement to use the E-Verify system for any employees they may hire during the term of this Agreement.

(ii) Subcontractors shall provide the Contractor with an affidavit stating the subcontractor does not employ, contract with, or subcontract with an unauthorized alien, as defined by Section 448.095, F.S.

(iii) The Contractor shall provide a copy of such affidavit to the School Board upon receipt and shall maintain a copy for the duration of the Agreement.

C. The Contractor must provide evidence of compliance with Section 448.095, F.S., by January 1, 2021. Evidence may consist of, but is not limited to, providing notice of the Contractor's E-Verify number.

D. Failure to comply with this provision by the Contractor or a subcontractor is a material breach of the Agreement and the School Board shall terminate the Agreement. The Contractor shall be liable for all costs associated with the School Board securing the same services, inclusive, but not limited to, higher costs for the same services and rebidding costs (if necessary). In addition, the Contractor may not be awarded a contract with the School Board for at least one year after the date this Agreement is terminated.

#### **42. ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

##### **42.1. Firm Bids**

Purchasing may make an award within (90) days after the date of the bid opening, during which period

bids shall remain firm and shall not be withdrawn. If award is not made within (90) days, a bid shall remain firm until either Purchasing awards the contract or Purchasing receives from the bidder written notice that the bid is withdrawn. Any bid that expresses a shorter duration may, at Purchasing's sole discretion be accepted or rejected.

#### **42.2. Negotiations**

To assure full understanding and responsiveness to the solicitation requirements, discussions may be conducted with qualified offerors. The offerors shall be accorded fair and equal treatment prior to the submittal date specified in the request for proposal with respect to any opportunity for discussion and revision of proposals. After the submittal date, the School District reserves the right to select the top ranked proposals and conduct discussions with those offerors. Such discussions may result in changes to the RFP and the offerors' proposal as deemed to be in the best interests of the School District.

#### **42.3. Product Demonstration**

As part of the evaluation process, the Evaluation Committee reserves the right to ask for a demonstration of products and systems contained within a potential vendor's proposal to assess the proposed technology.

#### **42.4. Correction of Work**

The contractor shall promptly correct all work that fails to pass inspection or is rejected by the owner as defective or as failing to conform to the contract documents whether observed before or after substantial completion and whether or not fabricated, installed or completed. The contractor shall bear all costs of correcting such rejected work, including compensation for the owner's additional services made necessary thereby. All work shall be performed to a high standard. In the event that a contractor fails to complete and/or pass inspection, the vendor will be advised of such. Habitual reprimands and failing to complete the work in a timely manner or as specified will result in that vendor forfeiting their award and elevating another vendor to fill the vacancy created.

#### **42.5. Product Version**

Purchase orders shall be deemed to reference a manufacturer's most recently release model or version of the product at the time of the order, unless the District specifically requests in writing an earlier model or version and the Contractor is willing to provide such model or version.

#### **42.6. New/Upgrade Products**

If new or upgrade products are made available by the product manufacturer, the bidder of such items shall submit that upgraded item along with a notation stating that it is the new upgraded product of a discontinued item. A reasonable price must be submitted for each items requested.

#### **42.7. Objections And Concerns Regarding Provisions In The Terms and Conditions**

**The prospective Vendor must raise detailed concerns and objections, if any, to all objectionable provisions of the Terms and Conditions in its offer. The Evaluation Committee will consider these objections during the evaluation process.** The Evaluation Committee may decline offers that pose significant objections to the terms of the Terms and Conditions.

#### **42.8. Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)**

Any proposer and/or awarded recipient must acknowledge and agree to comply with Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and all State and Federal laws relating to the confidentiality of student records.

**42.9. Additional Services**

Additional services shall include services that are not requested in this Request for Proposal but are within the scope of services available from the awardee(s). The School District reserves the right to compete pricing with the successful bidder(s) for additional services or items and to add or not add these services to the awarded items. Additional services are not a factor for award.

## **SCOPE OF SERVICES**

### **1.0 BASIC PROCEDURES AND REQUIREMENTS**

- A. Core Services shall consist of the performance of monthly pest control for the covered structures described on the Proposal Quotation Form (Attachment J) and approximately 397 school buses and 454 portable type classrooms. Core Services are limited to the performance of pest control for the following insect pests when infestation and/or damage is found inside or upon the covered structures:
1. Ants, roaches, flying and stinging insects, silverfish, spiders, carpet beetles, fleas, ticks, food or grain infesting insects such as grain beetles.
  2. Although contractor may be required to provide limited exterior treatment such as barrier treatments within 6 feet of the covered structures, this engagement does not contemplate as part of the core services requirement, the treatment of school grounds, playing fields, parking lots, landscaping, gardens, ponds or outside swimming areas. Structural pests such as termites and any wood borrowing insect as well as outdoor insects that primarily feed upon outside vegetation are also beyond the scope of services.
- B. Service Responsibilities

Contractor services shall consist of:

1. Regularly scheduled inspections.
  - a. Regularly scheduled inspections shall consist of an examination of the entire interior and exterior of all covered structures for pests or evidence of pest activity not less than once per month.
2. Regular monitoring for pests.
  - a. Only EPA approved pesticides may be applied with approval of the District Project Manager. Once a problem identified, contractor must complete follow-up service until the problem is resolved, before returning to monthly service.
3. Proper identification and treatment of pests consistent with IPM (Integrated Pest Management) principles.
  - a. Upon identification of the target pest, Contractor will use the most effective treatment modality taking into account specific behavior, location within the structure, and potential health hazards associated with both the pest and treatment. Contractor shall use baits and/or non-chemical means of control including vacuum devices, mechanical traps and exclusive mechanisms. Chemical controls, i.e. pesticides (other than baits) may only be used when non-chemical means have failed or are not feasible or when the health, welfare or safety of the facilities' occupants may be significantly compromised by the delay or failure to use pesticides. When pesticide applications are made, contractor shall use less hazardous class 3 and/or class 4 pesticides. A more hazardous or toxic pesticide may only be used when there is a particular basis to believe that such application will effectively cure a specific safety concern that would not be equally addressed by a less hazardous material or methodology. Treatment should emphasize precision targeting and crack and crevice treatment.
4. Recommendations to District Staff to reduce existing and future infestation of pests.

- a. Contractor shall when applicable make recommendations to the District Project Manager regarding unsatisfactory structural features, sanitation conditions or practices which unnecessarily attract, encourage, support or provide entry to insect pests.
- C. Only EPA approved pesticides may be applied with prior written approval of the District Project Manager and upon a showing by the Contractor that less toxic alternatives will not be effective or will be too slow acting to address the health hazards presented by the target pest.
- D. Monitoring devices, traps and other capture devices must be approved for use from the District Project Manager. The Project Manager may supplement the items contained on this Schedule upon prior notice and approval. Scheduling the regular monthly inspection by the Contractor's technician will be conducted in accordance with the site schedule. Additional inspections deemed necessary by the Contractor should be arranged through the Project Manager and it shall be the Project Manager's responsibility to assure Contractor's access to all buildings, storage areas and school personnel during any scheduled service including inspections. No pesticide may be applied in any room or area while it is in service or occupied by students. Contractor will attempt to provide treatments including inspections at times that are less likely to be disruptive to faculty, staff or students.
- E. When there is a pest problem requiring immediate action, non-scheduled calls may be required by the Project Manager. Service calls pertaining to the performance of core services shall be performed without any additional charge to the District. A 24 hour response time is required.

## **2.0 Special Conditions**

This RFP constitutes the contract for Integrated Pest Management (IPM) services for the interiors of all schools, school cafeterias, administration offices, maintenance, transportation, portable classrooms and all busses. Vendors are required to treat all sites in accordance with the IPM, no less than once every month, or as needed.

## **3.0 Specifications**

1. All materials are to be approved by proper agencies for use in the classroom and around children.
2. No harmful substance shall come in contact with food, children, or school employees. No chemical may be used which is harmful to equipment or floors, etc.
3. Application of any material is not to interfere with the school schedule and is not to be scheduled by the school principal or in the case of the food service department with the food service manager.
4. Pests include, roaches, ants, silverfish, spiders, fleas and other common pests.
5. This engagement does not contemplate as part of the core services requirement, the treatment of school grounds, playing fields, parking lots, landscaping, gardens, ponds or outside swimming areas. Outdoor insects that primarily feed upon outside vegetation are also beyond the scope of core services.
6. Certified licensed operator must inspect each site and confer with the Project Manager.
7. A currently licensed, certified operator must develop the service plan. Other personal operating under the operator's license may perform the service in accordance with the licensing

requirements.

#### 4. **Special Considerations**

Materials that stain or have offensive odors may not be used on interior of buildings. Payments cannot be made without a service ticket, which has been signed by the authorized School "SITE" personnel. The person performing the service will report to the Site Administrator, Food Service Manager or Plant Manager, before treatment to determine if there are problem areas which must be treated. The District reserves the right to ask the technician treating any site for a sample of the chemicals being used for purposes of analysis. In the space provided in the pricing section indicate the monthly charge to treat the buildings at each location.

The Central Office, Bus Garages, Maintenance Department, Warehouse, Food Services and Means Court Center are to be considered as individual sites. Schools are defined as all offices, classrooms, custodial rooms, library, and any other room(s) at each school site. The Food Service Departments are defined as kitchens, Culinary Arts rooms, storerooms, restrooms, manager's office garbage areas and dining areas.

A service ticket for each visit, must be signed by the authorized School District personnel and left at each site with a copy going to the Project Manager on a monthly basis. All signed service tickets must be attached to the monthly invoice. Payments cannot be made without these receipts.

The list of schools to be provided by the Project Manager for continuing service may be added to or deleted from during the contract period. In addition, District may require service to other schools on an intermittent basis as required. Service shall be provided to all facilities (food storage areas, kitchens and culinary arts instructional areas) only during times and under conditions which comply with prudent judgment, current health and environmental regulations and area availability. Project Manager working along with the cafeteria manager and school administration will provide schedules of recurring activities and provide advance notification of schedule changes.

The Project Manager shall provide to the contractor, a schedule of the various school centers and the specific hours they will be open to receive service calls. The Project Manager will clearly indicate those school centers that will require continuing/ongoing service. Upon receipt of above referenced information, contractor shall provide a schedule within ten working days. This schedule shall indicate the school center and day that service calls will be performed (i.e.: 1<sup>st</sup> Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month)

Upon acceptance of their schedule, contractor will strictly adhere to same. Deviations from the schedule can only be authorized by the Project Manager. Schedules may vary due to weather, special events, or additional requested services. **Failure of contractor to adhere to schedule as approved by Owner will constitute cause for contract default.**

If the contractor's serviceman notes any unsanitary conditions or adverse physical conditions such as broken screens in a food service area which may be a contributing cause to the "pest problem", the contractor shall advise the school Cafeteria Manager in writing with copies to the Department of Food Services and the Project Manager **within 24 hours.**

**The absence of ants, roaches, flying and stinging insects, silverfish, spiders, carpet beetles, fleas, ticks, food or grain infesting insects such as grain beetles, and other vermin will be evidence of satisfactory pest control service.** Both the contractor and/or the owner should feel free to request an evaluation by the St. Lucie County Health Department to determine the effectiveness of either party's responsibilities toward bringing about a vermin free condition. The contractor shall be responsible for complying with all requirements of chemical contents allowable and methods of application prescribed by the State of Florida and St. Lucie County Health Department. All service and service procedures will be only those that are outlined by the EPA

and approved for use by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Bureau of Entomology. This shall include, but not be limited to, methods of treatment and insecticides, dusts, baits, etc., used. Contractor shall ensure all materials used for service shall be used in compliance with the label on such materials and posting notifications, etc. In the event a pest control problem or infestation still exists at a given locations after a regular or intensive service, contractor shall schedule additional services, to be performed at **no cost** until control of said problem is achieved, agreed to and approved by the Facilities Project Manager and the Contractor. All verification and reporting procedures shall be adhered to in the event of additional services. All chemicals will need to be approved.

**5.0 BUSES**

Buses will be bid to give the district 3 options of treatment to choose from. Bids will include a monthly, quarterly or 6X per year contract price per bus. The option chosen by the district will remain in effect for the duration of the contract. Buses will be bid as a separate line item.

Bus Locations:

Bus South Compound at 325 NW Commerce Park Drive, Port St. Lucie, FL 34986,  
Bus North Compound at 601 South 29th Street, Ft. Pierce, FL. 34947  
Westwood High School Bus Complex located at 1801 Panther Lane, Fort Pierce, Fl. 34947.

Estimated number of buses: 397

**6.0 PORTABLES, HYBRIDS AMD CONCREATABLES**

Portables are defined as wooden and aluminum STAND ALONE re-locatable structures.

Hybrids are defined as modular classrooms that are grouped together in a pod. These structures are NOT considered portables and are included with the square footage of the school.

Concreatables are not considered portables, they are permanent buildings included in the square footage of the schools.

Estimated number of portables: 147

**7.0 FIRE ANTS**

Provide a twice a year broadcast bait control system for controlling fire ants at all sites for St. Lucie County School District with a total net acreage of property of approximately 688 acres. A combination of baits may be used if necessary to control ant infestation in the short term for quick “knock down” of existing mounds and to control the ant population in the long term as well. All baits must be approved for use on school sites and agricultural areas. Some samples of chemicals would be Extinguish, Extinguish Plus, Amdro, Logic/Award, Firestar/Ceasefire, Advion and Top Choice.

Call back service at any location at any time between applications.

**8.0 PROCEDURE**

Contractor shall, as part of this bid, be required to provide, perform, and adhere to the following in the pursuit of all pest control work.

**The following procedure will be observed by contractor and/or their employees:**

- A. Site Maintenance personnel will be responsible for submitting any additional work requests for pest control through the School Dude Maintenance System
- B. The School District will also provide the vendor with training, and access to the "SCHOOL DUDE" maintenance system. The Project Manager will be responsible for forwarding School Dude requests submitted by the schools to the Vendor.
- C. Each day the vendor will be responsible for logging into the Districts "School Dude" maintenance system responding to the work orders to be assigned to them. Work orders are to be printed and will accompany the technician to the job. The vendor will also be responsible for closing completed work orders and providing the appropriate documentation within the system.
- D. Upon entering a school center, contractor or their employees will **immediately** notify the school center personnel of their presence and purpose and sign out upon departure.
- E. Contractor shall utilize the "**PEST CONTROL LOG BOOK**" locate outside of the office of each school Cafeteria Manager's office to log a visit and document the treatment performed. The vendor will also log the "**School Dude**" work order and completion of the work order. A printed copy of the work order will be signed by both the service technician and school representative (when possible) and submitted with the monthly billing.
- F. Upon completion of service, contractor or their employees will check back through school office, when possible, and so advise of completion and obtain verification of services.

## 9.0 CALL BACKS

In the event additional service (call back) is required, it shall be accomplished by the contractor at **no additional cost** to the owner. Contractor shall perform additional service within 24 hours of notification.

## 10.0 EMERGENCY SERVICE

Emergency service is defined as any condition that would curtail/prevent food preparation operations in the area affected and will require immediate service. Emergency service calls require a respond time under 45 minutes.

## 11.0 MISCELLANEOUS

Contractor shall be advised that any omission of specific details in Special Conditions or specifications as indicated herein shall not relieve contractor from responsibility for accomplishing the intent of this bid (**effective eradication and control of insects at each location as assigned**). All transportation costs, travel time, premium time, overhead, supervision, etc., shall be allowed for and considered in bidder's price. There will be **no other** remuneration to successful bidder above and beyond price bid.

Charges indicated **other than first time charge** shall be for those school centers/structures or specific rooms being serviced on a continuing basis.

Those school centers/structures or rooms treated on an intermittent or as-needed basis will be charged the **per 100 square foot rate** indicated for first time charge.

**ATTACHMENT A - DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE CERTIFICATION**

Preference must be given to vendors submitting a certification with their response certifying they have a drug-free workplace in accordance with Section 287.087, Florida Statutes. This requirement affects all public entities of the State and becomes effective January 1, 1991. The special condition is as follows:

IDENTICAL TIE BIDS - Preference shall be given to businesses with drug-free workplace programs. Whenever two or more bids which are equal with respect to price, quality, and service are received by the State or by any political subdivision for the procurement of commodities or contractual services, a bid received from a business that certifies that it has implemented a drug-free workplace program shall be given preference in the award process. Established procedures for processing tie bids will be followed if none of the tied vendors have a drug-free workplace program, a business shall:

- 1) Publish a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition.
- 2) Inform employees about the dangers of drug abuse in the workplace, the business's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace, any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs, and the penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations.
- 3) Give each employee engaged in providing the commodities or contractual services that are under bid a copy of the statement specified in subsection (1).
- 4) In the statement specified in subsection (1), notify the employees that, as a condition of working on the commodities or contractual services that are under bid, the employee will abide by the terms of the statement and will notify the employer of any conviction of, or plea of guilty or nolo contendere to, any violation of chapter 893 or of any controlled substance law of the United States or any state, for a violation occurring in the workplace no later than five (5) days after such conviction.
- 5) Impose a sanction on, or require the satisfactory participation in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program if such is available in the employee's community, by any employee who is so convicted.
- 6) Make a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of this section.

As the person authorized to sign the statement, I certify that this firm complies fully with the above requirements.

COMPANYNAME\_\_\_\_\_

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE\_\_\_\_\_DATE\_\_\_\_\_

**ATTACHMENT B - JESSICA LUNSFORD ACT COMPLIANCE AGREEMENT**

**Fingerprinting - Contractors / Vendors**

Pursuant to Florida Statue 1012.32 background and criminal history checks must be completed and results must be cleared prior to your start date. Results will be received and reported to the Human Resources Department.

The cost for the national Background check (FDLE and FBI check) is \$72.00 and must be paid prior to being printed. **ALL contractors will be required to purchase a Contractor ID badge through FieldPrint at the cost of \$10.00.** To schedule a fingerprinting appointment:

1. Visit [www.fieldprintflorida.com](http://www.fieldprintflorida.com)
2. Click on the "Schedule an Appointment" button.
3. Enter an email address under "New Users/Sign Up" and click the "Sign Up" button. Follow the instructions for creating a Password and Security Question and then click "Sign Up and Continue".
4. On the "Reason for Fingerprinting" page, please click on the text "I know my Fieldprint Code". In the box provided, enter FPStLucieVendorBPrints **\*\*NOTE: Please do not select from the pull down menu.\*\***
5. Enter the contact and demographic information required by the FBI and schedule a fingerprint appointment at the location of your choosing.
6. At the end of the process, print the Confirmation Page. Take the Confirmation Page with you to your fingerprint appointment, along with two forms of identification.
7. If you have any questions or problems, you may contact our customer service team at 877-614-4364 or [customerservice@fieldprint.com](mailto:customerservice@fieldprint.com).

In addition, please provide written verification to St Lucie Public Schools that you have cleared all employees with the sexual offender/predator databases at <http://www.floridasexoffender.net> and <http://www.nsopr.gov>. Verification should be mailed to St. Lucie Public Schools Attn: Lynn Louderback, Fingerprint Specialist, Human Resources at 9461 Brandy Wine Lane, Port St Lucie, FL 34986

The Vendor certifies it will comply with the requirements of the Jessica Lunsford Act (Section 1012.465, Florida Statutes) in regards to fingerprinting and level 2 background screenings of all employees and any subcontractors employees who will have access to any District school or property when students may be present, or will have direct contact with any student; or have access to or control of school funds. Vendor's failure to comply with this requirement will constitute a material breach of contract. Vendor is responsible for all costs incurred to comply with this requirement.

By signing the below, vendor agrees to comply with the above screening requirements if selected for award.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTACHMENT C - REFERENCES**

Please submit a list of at least three (3) references, preferably School Districts in which you are currently providing similar services or have provided similar services within the past (3) three years.

**CURRENT CUSTOMER REFERNCES**

1. Client Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Client Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

2. Client Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Client Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

3. Client Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Client Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTACHMENT D- GREEN PROCUREMENT - ELECTRONIC PURCHASE ORDER PROCESS**

The School Board of St. Lucie County has implemented an **Electronic Purchase Order (E-PO)** delivery system to streamline our procurement process and eliminate a paper-driven process. In order to expedite delivery of purchase orders, we ask that you provide our office with a designated email address. The email address you provide should have the capability of being monitored by more than one person within your company. This will ensure that orders received electronically are not delayed. By us sending purchase orders out electronically, we can more effectively control our procurement activities and achieve a significant cost savings over the paper purchase order process. The electronic purchase order process also reduces the purchase order to vendor cycle time from days to hours. We encourage your acceptance of electronic purchase orders. Please provide a designated email address below to participate in the electronic purchase order process. Our system can only accommodate one email address.

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Vendor Name:

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Address

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Phone

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E-PO Designated Email Address:

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Contact Person

**ATTACHMENT E - INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT**

Vendors shall furnish a Certificate of Insurance that complies with the insurance requirements listed below. The Certificate of Insurance shall list the deductible as well as the type of policy purchased (i.e. claims made or per occurrence) for each of the policies listed below. The following liability coverage limits must not be less than the limits specified. Thirty (30) day advance notice of cancellation is required. The policies must be specifically endorsed to grant the District the same notification rights that it provides to the first named insured as respects cancellation and nonrenewal. This endorsement must be attached to the certificate of insurance. The District by and through its Risk Management Department and in cooperation with the Purchasing Department, reserves the right to review, modify, reject or accept any required policies of insurance, including limits, coverages or endorsements, herein from time to time throughout the term of this contract.

**INSURANCE**

**1. General Liability**

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE, INCLUDING CONTRACTUAL LIABILITY, TO COVER THE HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT SET FORTH HEREIN, WITH LIMITS OF NOT LESS THAN:

EACH OCCURRENCE	\$1,000,000
PERSONAL/ADVERTISING INJURY	\$1,000,000
PRODUCTS/COMPLETED OPERATIONS AGGREGATE	\$2,000,000
GENERAL AGGREGATE	\$2,000,000
FIRE DAMAGE	\$100,000 ANY 1 FIRE
MEDICAL EXPENSE	\$5,000 - \$10,000 ANY 1 PERSON

AN ADDITIONAL INSURED ENDORSEMENT MUST BE ATTACHED TO THE CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE. COVERAGE IS TO BE WRITTEN ON AN OCCURRENCE FORM BASIS AND SHALL APPLY AS PRIMARY. A PER PROJECT AGGREGATE LIMIT ENDORSEMENT SHOULD BE ATTACHED. DEFENSE COSTS ARE TO BE IN ADDITION TO THE LIMIT OF LIABILITY. A WAIVER OF SUBROGATION IS TO BE PROVIDED IN FAVOR OF THE DISTRICT. XCU COVERAGE IS TO BE INCLUDED WHEN INDICATED BY THE SCOPE OF SERVICE. COVERAGE SHOULD EXTEND TO INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS AND FELLOW EMPLOYEES. COVERAGE IS TO INCLUDE A CROSS LIABILITY OR SEVERABILITY OF INTERESTS PROVISION AS PROVIDED UNDER THE STANDARD ISO FORM SEPARATION OF INSURED'S CLAUSE.

**2. Automobile Liability**

BUSINESS AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY FOR ANY AUTO (ALL OWNED, HIRED, AND NON-OWNED AUTOS) WITH LIMITS OF NOT LESS THAN \$1,000,000 PER ACCIDENT. IN THE EVENT VENDOR DOES NOT OWN ANY AUTOMOBILES, THE DISTRICT WILL ACCEPT PROOF OF HIRED AND NON OWNED AUTO LIABILITY ONLY. CERTIFICATE HOLDER MUST BE LISTED AS ADDITIONAL INSURED. A WAIVER OF SUBROGATION MUST BE PROVIDED. COVERAGE SHOULD APPLY ON A PRIMARY BASIS.

**3. Workers' Compensation**

WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE WITH LIMITS EQUAL TO FLORIDA STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS. EMPLOYERS LIABILITY MUST INCLUDE LIMITS OF AT LEAST \$100,000 EACH ACCIDENT, \$100,000 EACH DISEASE/EMPLOYEE, \$500,000 EACH DISEASE/MAXIMUM. A WAIVER OF SUBROGATION MUST BE PROVIDED. COVERAGE SHOULD APPLY ON A PRIMARY BASIS. SHOULD SCOPE OF WORK PERFORMED BY VENDOR QUALIFY ITS EMPLOYEE FOR BENEFITS UNDER FEDERAL WORKERS' COMPENSATION STATUTE (EXAMPLE, U.S. LONGSHORE & HARBOR WORKERS ACT OR MERCHANT MARINE ACT), PROOF OF APPROPRIATE FEDERAL ACT COVERAGE MUST BE PROVIDED.

WORKERS' COMPENSATION EXEMPTION FORMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR THE PROJECT ARCHITECT, ENGINEER, GENERAL CONTRACTOR, OR SOLE PRACTITIONER THAT INTENDS TO SUB-CONTRACT THE WORK TO OTHER INDIVIDUALS OR COMPANIES. THESE ENTITIES OR INDIVIDUALS ARE REQUIRED TO PURCHASE A WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE POLICY.



**ATTACHMENT F - PROJECT MANAGER CONTACT INFORMATION**

Indicate in the P/A column below, if the person is a Primary or Alternate contact.

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

**Company Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

Name (Print or Type)	P/A	Title	Phone Number(s)

**ATTACHMENT G -STATEMENT OF “NO” RESPONSE**

If your company will not be submitting a response to this Request for Proposal or Bid, please complete this Statement of “No” Response Sheet and return, prior to the RFP Due Date established within, to: **The School Board of St. Lucie County, Purchasing Department, 9461 Brandy Wine Lane, Port St Lucie, FL 34986.** (Please print or type).

BID/RFP # \_\_\_\_\_ TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

COMPANY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT PERSON: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

We, the undersigned, have declined to respond because of the following reasons:

<b>√</b>	<b>Reasons for “NO” Response:</b>
	Unable to comply with product or service specifications.
	Unable to comply with scope of work.
	Unable to quote on all items in the group.
	Unable to hold prices firm through the term of the contract period.
	Our schedule would not permit us to perform.
	Unable to meet delivery requirements.
	Unable to meet bond requirements.
	Unable to meet insurance requirements.
	Other (Specify below)

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### ATTACHMENT H – DEFINITIONS

1. **BID** means a formal price offer by vendor to the buyer to furnish specific goods and/or services in response to an Invitation for Bids, Request for Quotation, or a multi-step bidding procedure.
2. **CONTRACT** means (1) a deliberate verbal or written agreement between two or more competent parties to perform or not perform a specific act or acts; and (2) any type of agreement regardless of what it is called for the procurement or disposal of supplies, services or construction.
3. **CONTRACTOR** means a separate and distinguishable business entity participating or seeking to participate in the performance of a contract.
4. **PRE-BID OR PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE** means a meeting held prior to the date of bid or proposal submittal, which disseminates to all bidders or proposers in attendance information to assist them in submitting a bid or proposal including, but not limited to, information regarding the M/WBE requirements of the School District.
5. **PROCUREMENT** means buying, purchasing, renting, leasing or otherwise acquiring any goods and/or services for public purposes in accordance with the law, rules, regulations and procedures intended to provide for the economic expenditure of public funds. For the purpose of this policy, procurement refers to those goods and/or services, except professional services, solicited by the Department of Purchasing pursuant to District and Department of Education requirements.
6. **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)** means a solicitation of responses for goods and/or services for which the scope of work, specifications or contractual terms and conditions cannot reasonably be closely defined. Evaluation of a proposal is based on prior established criteria which may include but may or may not be totally limited to price.
7. **RESPONSIBLE BIDDER, OFFERER, QUOTER, OR RESPONDENT** means an individual or business which has submitted a bid, offer, proposal, quotation, or response, which has the capability in all respects to perform fully the contract requirements, and the integrity and reliability which will give reasonable assurance of good faith and performance.
8. **RESPONSIVE BIDDER, OFFERER, QUOTER, OR RESPONDENT** means an individual or business which has submitted a bid, offer, proposal, quotation or response, which conforms in all material respects to the solicitation, including, but not limited to, compliance with any M/WBE requirements contained within the solicitation.
9. **SCHOOL DISTRICT** means the St. Lucie County School District, its individual and collective departments, managers, staff, and facilities.
10. **SUBCONTRACTOR** means any person providing goods and/or services to a prime contractor for profit, if such goods and/or services are procured or used in fulfillment of the prime contractor's obligations arising from a contract with the St. Lucie County School District, except persons providing goods to a prime contractor whose contract with the District is for the provision of materials, equipment, or supplies.
11. **VENDOR** means an actual or potential supplier of goods and/or services interchangeable with the term bidder and/or contractor.
12. **REMEDIAL MAINTENANCE** is maintenance to be performed by the contractor, which results from equipment failure and which is performed as required on an unscheduled basis.

**ATTACHMENT I - REFERENCE QUESTIONNAIRE  
ST. LUCIE PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
RFP 23-08  
INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

FOR: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Vendor Requesting Reference)

This form is being submitted to your Company for completion as a business reference for the company listed above.

This form is to be returned to the School Board of St. Lucie County, Purchasing Department, email at kimberly.albritton@stlucieschools.org no later than 3:00 p.m., **January 25, 2023**, and **must not** be returned to the company requesting the reference.

For questions or concerns regarding this form, please contact the School Board of St. Lucie County, Purchasing Department, by telephone: (772) 429-3980, or by email at kimberly.albritton@stlucieschools.org. When contacting us, please be sure to include the request for proposal number and title listed at the top of this page.

**Company Providing Reference** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Contact Name and Title/Position** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Contact Telephone Number** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Contact Email Address** \_\_\_\_\_

Questions:

1. In what capacity have you worked with this company in the past? If the Company was under a similar contract, please acknowledge and explain briefly whether or not the contract was successful.

Comments:

2. How would you rate this Company’s knowledge and expertise?  
\_\_\_\_\_ (3= Excellent; 2= Satisfactory; 1= Unsatisfactory; 0= Unacceptable)

Comments:

3. How would you rate the Company’s flexibility relative to changes in the scope and timelines?  
\_\_\_\_\_ (3= Excellent; 2= Satisfactory; 1= Unsatisfactory; 0= Unacceptable)

Comments:

4. What is your level of satisfaction with hard-copy materials, e.g. quotation, written scopes of work, reports, logs, etc. produced by the Company?

\_\_\_\_\_ (3= Excellent; 2= Satisfactory; 1= Unsatisfactory; 0= Unacceptable)

Comments:

5. How would you rate the dynamics/interaction between the Company and your staff?

\_\_\_\_\_ (3= Excellent; 2= Satisfactory; 1= Unsatisfactory; 0= Unacceptable)

Comments:

6. Who were the Company's principle representatives involved in providing your service and how would you rate them individually? Would you comment on the skills, knowledge, behaviors or other factors on which you based the rating? (3= Excellent; 2= Satisfactory; 1= Unsatisfactory; 0= Unacceptable)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Rating: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Rating: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Rating: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Rating: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments:

7. With which aspect(s) of this Company's services are you most satisfied?

Comments:

8. With which aspect(s) of this Company's services are you least satisfied?

Comments:

9. Would you recommend this Company's services to your organization again?

Comments:

**ATTACHMENT J - PROPOSAL QUOTATION FORM**

Proposers must utilize this form to submit their overall cost proposal. The pricing submitted in this form will be used to score the cost portion of the RFP. The detail service requirements are provided in the Scope of Services (above). Section 2 – Fire ants – The per acre price shall include two fire ant treatments per year. Buses – The district is looking for a lump sum price per year, per bus for various treatment levels. Please provide the total annual cost for each level of service.

<b>Section I - Enter the monthly price for each location listed below.</b>			
<b>Location</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Sq. Ft.</b>	<b>Price</b>
Administration-Central Office	9461 Brandywine Lane, Port St Lucie, FL	110,000	\$
Allapattah Flats	12051 Copper Creek Dr., Port St. Lucie, FL	264,772	\$
Anglewood Center	1809 Panther Lane, Fort Pierce, FL	8,282	\$
Bayshore Elementary	1661 SW Bayshore Drive, Port St. Lucie, FL	98,720 Hybrids 17,280	\$
C.A. Moore Elementary	2102 Avenue Q, Fort Pierce, FL	111,416 Hybrids 6,048	\$
Dale Cassens Complex	1905 S. 11th Street, Fort Pierce, FL	53,690	\$
Dan McCarty Middle School	1201 Mississippi Avenue, Fort Pierce, FL	197,030	\$
Performance Based Prep.	2909 Delaware Avenue, Fort Pierce, FL	17,447	\$
Fairlawn Elementary	1900 S. 33rd Street, Fort Pierce, FL	115,814 Hybrids 6,048	\$
Floresta Elementary	1501 SE Floresta Drive, Port St. Lucie, FL	77,242	\$
Forest Grove Middle	3201 S. 25th Street, Fort Pierce, FL	160,822	\$
Fort Pierce Magnet K-8	1200 Delaware Avenue, Fort Pierce, FL	102,022 Hybrids 9,504	\$
Fort Pierce Central High	4101 S. 25h St. , Fort Pierce, FL	340,259	\$
Fort Pierce Westwood High	1801 Panther Lane, Fort Pierce, FL	220,273	\$
F.K. Sweet Elementary	1400 Avenue Q, Fort Pierce, FL	95,810 Hybrids 3,456	\$
Garden City Elementary	2202 Avenue Q, Fort Pierce, FL	118,772	\$
Dale Cassens Complex	1901 S. 11th Street, Fort Pierce, FL	8,591	\$
Lakewood Park Elementary	7800 Indrio Road, Fort Pierce, FL	83,827 Hybrids 6048	\$
Lawnwood Elementary	1900 S. 21st street, Fort Pierce, FL	87,038 Hybrids 6,912	\$
Lincoln Park Academy	1806 Avenue I, Fort Pierce, FL	223,896	\$

Request for Proposal Integrated Pest Management Services  
 School District of St. Lucie County

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Maintenance & Facilities	327 NW Commerce Park Dr., Port St. Lucie, FL	52,696	\$
Manatee K-8	1450 SW Heatherwood Blvd., Port St. Lucie, FL	113,854 Hybrids 19,872	\$
Mariposa Elementary	260 SE Mariposa Avenue, Port St. Lucie, FL	110,520 Hybrids 27,648	\$
Means Court Center	532 N. 13th Street, Fort Pierce, FL	23,656	\$
Morningside Elementary	2300 SE Gowin Dr PSL, FL 34952	81,505	\$
Northport K-8	250 NW Floresta Drive, Port St. Lucie, FL	187,452 Hybrids 29,376	\$
Oak Hammock K-8	1251 SW California Blvd., Port St. Lucie, FL	227,115	\$
Parkway Elementary	7000 NW Selvitz Road, Fort Pierce, FL	81,520 Hybrids 10,368	\$
Palm Pointe K-8	10680 Academic Way, Port St. Lucie, FL	181,991	\$
Port St. Lucie High	1201 SE Lennard Road, Port St. Lucie, FL	271,229 Hybrids 22,464	\$
St. Lucie West Centennial	1485 SW Cashmere Blvd., Port St. Lucie, FL	321,076 Hybrids 19,008	\$
Rivers Edge Elementary	5600 NE St. James Blvd., Port St. Lucie, FL	87,374	\$
Savanna Ridge Elementary	6801 Lennard Road, Port St. Lucie, FL	104,144	\$
Samuel Gaines Academy	2250 S. Jenkins Road, Ft. Pierce, FL	237,612	\$
St. Lucie Elementary	2020 S. 13th Street, Fort Pierce, FL	98,753	\$
St. Lucie West K-8	1001 SW Juliet Avenue, Port St. Lucie, FL	207,490 Hybrids 37,152	\$
Southern Oaks Middle	5500 NE St. James Blvd., Port St. Lucie, FL	154,753	\$
Southport Middle School	2420 SE Morningside Blvd., Port St. Lucie, FL	149,158	\$
Maintenance Warehouse	329 NW Commerce Park Dr., Port St. Lucie, FL	45,836	\$
Transportation Dept Garage	325 NW Commerce Park Dr., Port St. Lucie, FL	107,862	\$
Transportation Dept. North	601 S. 29th Street, Fort Pierce, FL	33,916	\$
Treasure Coast High School	1000 SW Darwin Blvd., Port St. Lucie, FL	340,702	\$
Village Green Elementary	1700 Lennard Road, Port St. Lucie, FL	75,188	\$
Weatherbee Elementary	800 E. Weatherbee Road, Fort Pierce, FL	103,241	\$
Westgate K-8	1050 NW Cashmere Blvd, Port Saint Lucie FL	232,985	\$

White City Elementary	905 West 2nd Street, Fort Pierce, FL	62,275 Hybrids 1,728	\$
Windmill Point Elementary	700 Darwin Blvd. , Port St. Lucie, FL	114,300 Hybrids 14,688	\$
Agri-Science Center	10881 Picos Rd., Fort Pierce, FL	9,604	\$
MOA	5600 North Old Dixie, Fort Pierce, FL	Hybrids 27,648	\$
<b>TOTAL MONTHLY FEE (Total monthly fee for all sites above)</b>			\$

<b>Section II.</b>	<b>FREQUENCY</b>	<b>Unit of Measure</b>	<b>Price/Per (A)</b>	<b>QTY (B)</b>	<b>TOTAL= (A x B)</b>
Portable / Hybrids	Varies (864 sq. ft. each)	Each	\$	147	\$
Fire Ants	2X per year (Call back as required) Application 2 x per year/per acre price	Acre	\$	688	\$
Bus (Option 1)	6X per Year	Annual	\$	397	\$
Bus (Option 2)	Quarterly	Annual	\$	397	\$
Bus (Option 3)	Monthly	Annual	\$	397	\$
<b>TOTAL - Section II</b>					\$
Additional Services and Locations	For other locations and additional services		per 100 sq. ft.	\$	
<b>Pricing for Renewal Option (1st year) (indicate percent increase, if any)</b>					%
<b>Pricing for Renewal Option (2nd year) (indicate percent increase, if any)</b>					%
<b>Pricing for Renewal Option (3rd year) (indicate percent increase, if any)</b>					%

**ATTACHMENT K – PROPOSER’S STATEMENT OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS**

To be completed by each Proposer

Name of Proposer: \_\_\_\_\_

Identify state in which Proposer has its principal place of business: \_\_\_\_\_

**If you principal place of business is in the State of Florida, you do not need to proceed any further.**

If outside of Florida, identify the political subdivision (County or Municipality) in which Proposer has its principal place of business: \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: Florida Statute Section 287.084(2) states that “A vendor whose principal place of business is outside this state must accompany any written bid, proposal or reply documents with a written opinion of an attorney at law licensed to practice law in that foreign state, as to the preferences, if any or none, granted by the law of that state, or political subdivisions, to its own business entities whose principal places of business are in that foreign state in the letting of any or all public contracts.”

**LEGAL OPINION REGARDING STATE BIDDING PREFERENCES**

**(To be completed by the Attorney for an Out of State Vendor, please select one)**

The Proposer’s principal place of business is in the State of \_\_\_\_\_ and it is my legal opinion that the laws of the state do not grant a preference in the letting of any or all public contracts to business entities whose principal places of business are in that state.

The Proposer’s principal place of business is in the State of \_\_\_\_\_ and it is my legal opinion that the laws of that state grant the following preference(s) in the letting of any or all public contracts to business entities whose principal places of business are in that state. (Please describe applicable preference(s) and identify applicable state laws).

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Signature of out of state proposer’s attorney: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed name of out of state proposer’s attorney: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number of out of state proposer’s attorney: \_\_\_\_\_

Email of out of state proposer’s attorney: \_\_\_\_\_

Attorney’s state(s) of bar admission: \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTACHMENT L – SCRUTINIZED COMPANY CERTIFICATION**

I hereby swear or affirm that as of the date below this company is not listed on a Scrutinized Companies list created pursuant to 215.4725, 215.473, or 287.135, Florida Statutes. Pursuant to 287.135, Florida Statutes I further affirm that:

1. This company is not participating in a boycott of Israel such that is not refusing to deal, terminating business activities, or taking other actions to limit commercial relations with Israel, or persons or entities doing business in Israel or in Israeli-controlled territories, in a discriminatory manner.
2. This Company does not appear on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List where the State Board of Administration has established the following criteria:
  - a. Have a material business relationship with the government of Sudan or a government-created project involving oil related, mineral extraction, or power generation activities, or
  - b. Have a material business relationship involving the supply of military equipment, or
  - c. Impart minimal benefit to disadvantaged citizens that are typically located in the geographic periphery of Sudan, or
  - d. Have been complicit in the genocidal campaign in Darfur.
3. This Company does not appear on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List where the State Board of Administration has established the following criteria:
  - a. Have a material business relationship with the government of Iran or a government-created project involving oil related or mineral extraction activities, or
  - b. Have made material investments with the effect of significantly enhancing Iran’s petroleum sector.
4. This Company is not engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria.

VENDOR/COMPANY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE and DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME AND TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

The scrutinized company list is maintained by the State Board of Administration and available at <http://www.sbafla.com/>

**ATTACHMENT M – RFP CHECKLIST**

The 10 Most Critical Things to Keep in Mind When Responding to an RFP for the School District of St Lucie County.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ **Read the entire document.** Note critical items such as: mandatory requirements; supplies and/or services required; submittal dates; number of copies required for submittal; funding amount and source; contract requirements (i.e., contract performance security, insurance requirements, performance and/or reporting requirements, etc.).
2. \_\_\_\_\_ **Note the Purchasing Manager’s name, address, phone numbers and e-mail address.** This is the only person (or their designee) you are allowed to communicate with regarding the Proposal and is an excellent source of information for any questions you may have.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ **Attend the pre-proposal conference if one is offered.** These conferences provide an opportunity to ask clarifying questions, obtain a better understanding of the project, or to notify the District of any ambiguities, inconsistencies, or errors in the proposal.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ **Take advantage of the “question and answer” period.** Submit your questions to the Purchasing Manager by the due date listed in the RFP and view the answers given in the formal “addenda” issued for the RFP. All addenda issued for a proposal are posted Bonfire <https://stlucieschools.bonfirehub.com> and the District’s website and will include all questions asked and answered concerning the RFP. It is the proposer’s responsibility to be sure all addenda were received.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ **Follow the format required in the RFP when preparing your response.** Provide point-by-point responses to all sections in a clear and concise manner.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ **Provide complete answers/descriptions.** Read and answer all questions and requirements. Don’t assume the District or evaluator/evaluation ranking committee will know what your company capabilities are or what items/services you can provide, even if you have previously contracted with the District. The proposals are evaluated based solely on the information and materials provided in your response.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ **Use the forms provided,** i.e., cover page, proposer acknowledgment form, exhibits, etc.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ **Check the website for RFP addenda’s.** Before submitting your response, check Bonfire <https://stlucieschools.bonfirehub.com>, (or District website) to determine whether any addenda were issued for the RFP. If so, you must circle for each addenda issued on the “Proposer acknowledgement form”.
9. \_\_\_\_\_ **Review and read the RFP document again,** to make sure that you have addressed all requirements. Your original response and the requested copies must be identical and be complete.
10. \_\_\_\_\_ **Submit your response on time.** Note all the dates and times listed in the proposal and within the document, and be sure to submit all required items on time. Late proposal responses are never accepted.