

BIDDING REQUIREMENTS

All contracts for and purchases of supplies, materials, equipment, and contractual services in the amount of \$5,000 or more, shall be based, when feasible, on at least three competitive bids. All purchases less than \$5,000 in amount may be made in the open market but shall, when possible, be based on at least three competitive quotations or prices. All purchases made in the open market shall be completed after careful pricing.

When bidding procedures are used, bids shall be advertised appropriately. Suppliers shall be invited to have their names placed on mailing and Email lists to receive invitations to bid. When specifications are prepared, they will be sent to all merchants and firms who have indicated an interest in bidding.

All bids must be submitted in accordance with the bid specifications. The Administration reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to accept that bid which appears to be in the best interest of the District. The Administration reserves the right to waive any informalities in, or reject, any or all bids or any part of any bid. Any bid may be withdrawn prior to the scheduled time for the consideration of bids. Any bid received after the time and date specified shall not be considered.

The Administration also reserves the right to negotiate with a bidder when all bids exceed the budgeted appropriation.

The bidder to whom the award is made shall be required to enter into a written contract with the District.

Legal References:

RSA 194-c: 4 II (a), Superintendent Services
NH Code of Administrative Rules Sec. 303.01(b)
Substantive Duties of the School Boards

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