

# DESOTO COUNTY SCHOOLS

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September 20, 2021

#### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The DeSoto County School District will receive bids for Netbook Computers for the 2022 school year in the following manner: **Bid #332-NB2-DCS22** 

<u>Unpriced</u> bid proposals will be accepted until 9:00 am, CST, Thursday, October 14, 2021, in sealed envelopes at the DeSoto County Schools Central Services Office, Purchasing Department, 5 East South Street, Hernando, MS 38632, or by electronic bid submission. Submissions will be evaluated and vendors submitting acceptable offers will be invited to submit priced bids. Electronic unpriced bid proposals and/or reverse auction bids can be submitted at <a href="www.centralbidding.com">www.centralbidding.com</a>. For any questions relating to the electronic bidding process, please contact Central Bidding at 225-810-4814.

Bids will be received by an electronic reverse auction process administered by Central Bidding on Friday, October 22, 2021 at 9:00 am, CST at which time bidding will begin and run until bid completion.

Official bid documents are on file at the office of the Superintendent. To receive a copy of the specifications please contact the Purchasing Department via email: <a href="mailto:dcs.purchasing@dcsms.org">dcs.purchasing@dcsms.org</a>. Specifications may also be downloaded at <a href="www.centralbidding.com">www.centralbidding.com</a>, for a fee. All bids must comply with the specifications provided. The DeSoto County School District reserves the right to amend the specifications, as necessary, and agrees to notify all having requested bid packets.

The contract will be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder. The DeSoto County School District reserves the right to waive any informalities and to reject any or all bids.

/s/ Cory Uselton
Superintendent of Education

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September 30, 2021



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## **BID NOTICE**

To: Prospective Bidder

From: Tish Waugh

DeSoto County Schools 5 E. South Street Hernando, MS 38632

662-449-7291

Issue Date: September 23, 2021

#### **Notice of Bid/Reverse Auction**

#### **Unpriced Bid Proposals**

Date: Thursday, October 14, 2021

Time: 9:00 am, CST

Location: DeSoto County Schools

Central Services 5 East South Street Hernando, MS 38632

#### **Bid Items**

Bid Number: #332-NB2-DCS22 Description: Netbook Computers

#### **Procurement Schedule:**

Public Notice to Newspaper	September 20, 2021
Advertisement Publication Dates	September 23 & 30, 2021
Release of Bid	September 23, 2021
Deadline for Questions/Clarifications	October 7, 2021, 12:00 pm, CST
Unpriced Bid Proposals	Thursday, October 14, 2021, 9:00 am, CST
Reverse Auction for Approved Bidders	Friday, October 22, 2021, 9:00 am, CST
Anticipated Board Approval	Thursday, November 4, 2021

### **Bid Opening/Reverse Auction**

Date: Friday, October 22, 2021

Time: 9:00 am, CST

Location: DeSoto County Schools

Central Services 5 East South Street Hernando, MS 38632

#### **Instructions and Terms for Reverse Auction Event**

Unpriced Proposals will be received by the DeSoto County School Board of Education, 5 East South Street, Hernando, MS 38632 or electronically at <a href="www.centralbidding.com">www.centralbidding.com</a>, at the date and time specified on the BID NOTICE. Neither dating of the unpriced proposal form, nor placing it in the mail by this date will meet legal requirements. All unpriced proposals must be received at the Board of Education or electronically at <a href="www.centralbidding.com">www.centralbidding.com</a> on or before the date and time specified in the Procurement Schedule. The DeSoto County School Board of Education reserves the right to reject any and/or all unpriced proposals received and to waive any and all informalities.

1. If submitting a paper Unpriced Proposal, it shall be typed. Any changes made must be initialed. Changes shall not be allowed after the Unpriced Proposals are opened. The DeSoto County School District (hereafter, the District) shall not be responsible for any errors or omissions. Unpriced Proposals may be hand delivered, mailed, or submitted electronically. Paper Unpriced Proposals must be submitted in a sealed 8" x 10" or larger envelope. The envelope or shipping package must be labeled as follows or the bid may be rejected:

Attn: Tish Waugh Netbook Computers #332-NB2-DCS22 October 14, 2021

Name of company or person submitting bid

- 2. Any Unpriced Proposals received after the opening date or time shall be refused and marked "Late Unpriced Proposal" and returned to the bidder unopened. For this purpose, the official time for the Unpriced Proposal opening shall be based upon the time as indicated by the Purchasing Department. It is solely the responsibility of the bidder to ensure Unpriced Proposals are received prior to the opening date and time.
- 3. Unpriced Proposals may be modified or withdrawn by written notice from the bidder, if received by the Purchasing Department prior to the date and time set forth in the BID NOTICE. In order to modify an Unpriced Proposal, the bidder must submit a new Unpriced Proposal with the words "Modified Unpriced Proposal" shown in the lower left corner of the sealed envelope or shipping package. The original Unpriced Proposal remains the property of the District. Telephone modifications or withdrawals will not be accepted. If a bidder withdraws an Unpriced Proposal, all documents shall remain the property of the District.
- 4. All items contained in this Unpriced Proposal are to be per specifications unless otherwise specified.
- 5. Paper Unpriced Proposals shall be submitted on the supplied Unpriced Proposal Form. Electronic Unpriced Proposals shall be submitted online at <a href="https://www.centralbidding.com">www.centralbidding.com</a>. Should the bidder's response not be submitted on the supplied Unpriced Proposal Form, the District reserves the right to reject the bid.
- 6. If the District's Superintendents Office is closed for any reason, including but not limited to inclement weather, an emergency situation or any other act of nature, for which closure prevents the opening of bids at the originally advertised date and time, all bids received shall be publicly opened and read aloud on the next business day that the District's Superintendents Office shall be open for business at the previously advertised time. The new date and time of bid opening, as determined in accordance with this paragraph, shall not be advertised. Any vendors that have been invited to participate in the reverse auction will be notified of such changes. DeSoto County Schools shall not be held responsible if invited vendor fails to comply or misses reverse auction due to no fault of the District.

#### **Qualification of Bidders:**

Unpriced Proposals will be evaluated by staff of the District. All bidders submitting acceptable specifications will be invited to participate in the electronic reverse auction. The District reserves the right to extend the auction date if necessary, to complete the pre-qualification process.

#### **Method of Bidding:**

Bids from approved vendors will be accepted during an electronic reverse auction bid event that has a starting date and time of Friday, October 22, 2021 at 9:00 am, CST. Bids will only be accepted in an Electronic Process hosted by Central Bidding and the Supplier must complete the free registration at: <a href="https://www.centralauctionhouse.com/registration.php">https://www.centralauctionhouse.com/registration.php</a> to participate in this Electronic Reverse Auction Bid Process. For any questions relating to the electronic submittals and/or bidding process, please call Central Bidding at 225-810-4814.

#### **Accounting Practices:**

The DeSoto County School District requires that Purchase Orders be issued before any items are ordered or delivered. The DeSoto County School District shall not be responsible for any products delivered without an approved Purchase Order and/or without a signed acknowledgement of receipt by a District employee at time of delivery. The awarded bidder shall provide accurate, legible, and timely documentation, such as invoices, credits, and statements as requested by the District. The awarded bidder agrees to receiving payment within 45 days from date of receipt of a properly submitted invoice, or within 45 days after inspection and approval of the goods and/or services by DeSoto County Schools, whichever is later. In the event of a bona fide dispute, the awarded bidder agrees that DeSoto County Schools shall pay only the amount not in dispute, as per Miss. Code Ann. 31-7-305.

#### **Budgetary/Funding Constraints:**

The District reserves the right to reduce or increase the quantity or retract any item from the bid without any obligations or penalty based upon availability of funds.

#### **Governing Law:**

This agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Mississippi. The venue for the resolution of any dispute shall be DeSoto County, Mississippi. The bidder expressly agrees that under no circumstances shall the District be obligated to pay attorney fees or the cost associated with any legal action initiated by the bidder.

#### W-9 Form:

The DeSoto County School District requires the attached W-9 Form to be completed and included in your bid submission.

#### **Insurance Requirements:**

If applicable, the awarded bidder will be required to present the District with a certificate of coverage documenting general liability insurance coverage of \$1,000,000 listing the District as additional insured and workers' compensation insurance coverage of \$500,000 per occurrence. This certificate must be presented to the District prior to approval of the awarded bidder by the DeSoto County Board of Education. The policy must remain in effect during the entire term of the bid.

## **Vendor Information & Agreement Form**

#### **Netbook Computers Unpriced Proposal**

October 14, 2021, 9:00 am, CST

#### Bid #332-NB2-DCS22

I/We propose to furnish and deliver the items on the Unpriced Proposal Form according to your specifications. I/We further agree not to request permission to withdraw our bid after the bids have been opened. This bid consist of the (A) Bid Notice, (B) Bid Instructions and Terms, (C) the Required Specifications, and (D) the Unpriced Proposal Form. I/We, the undersigned, do hereby understand, acknowledge, and accept the instructions under which this Unpriced Proposal was requested by the DeSoto County School District. Authorized Representative Name (Print) Company Name Address Signature Federal Tax I.D. Number Title Telephone Date Fax **Email** If applicable, please acknowledge acceptance of addenda/clarification issued by checking below: Addendum 1 Addendum 2 Addendum 3\_\_\_\_ Addendum 4

### Return with your Unpriced Proposal paperwork due October 14, 2021 by 9am, CST

- Completed Vendor Information & Agreement Form
- Completed Unpriced Bid Proposal Form
- Specifications for proposed alternate bid items, if applicable
- Insurance Accord Form
- Completed W-9



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Netbook Computers Bid #332-NB2-DCS22

# **Required Specifications**

DeSoto County Schools is conducting a bid for a quantity between <u>400-2000</u> Netbook Computers. Netbooks must meet or exceed the specs listed below to be considered. Warranty and shipment specification alterations on bids will be grounds for bid to be rejected. If bidding on a device that is not specified below, specifications for the device being bid must be included with Unpriced Proposal due by 9am, CST, October 14, 2021.

Bid will expire April 30, 2022. Bid price must remain in place until this date.

Netbooks being bid must meet or exceed the specifications listed below. Part number is for reference purposes only.

- Dell Latitude 3120 BTX Intel Pentium N6000 Quad core, equivalent or better
- Manufacturer three (3) year drop damage warranty. On-site repair or shipping both ways paid for by manufacturer.
- M.2 128GB PCle NVMe Class 35 SSD, or better
- 8GB Memory, equivalent or better
- Windows 10 Pro English
- 11.6 1366x768 Multitouch display, or better
- 720p HD Camera and microphone, or better
- Intel WiFi 6
- Minimum of two (2) USB 3.0 Adapters
- HDMI Port
- 65W USB-C Power Adapter with AC power cord
- US Keyboard
- Winning vendor must be a member of the Cloud Solution Partner (CSP) Program, so that devices purchased with this bid can be enrolled in the District's Autopilot Program
- Must be new no refurbished devices allowed
- Delivery of initial purchase must be on or before December 7, 2021

# NETBOOK COMPUTERS BID# 332-NB2-DCS22 Unpriced Proposal Form

<b>Vendor Name:</b>	

√ MEETS	<b>√ EXCEEDS</b>	√ ALTERNATE	SPECIFICATION	
			Quantity to be between 400 and 2000 Netbook Computers	
			Bid to expire April 30, 2022	
			Dell Latitude 3120 BTX Intel Premium N6000 Quad core, equivalent or better	
			Manufacturer three (3) year drop damage warranty. On-site repair or shipping both ways paid for by manufacturer	
			M.2 128GB PCle NVMe Class 35 SSD, or better	
			8GB Memory, equivalent or better	
			Windows 10 Pro English	
			11.6 1366x768 Multitouch display, or better	
			720p HD Camera and microphone, or better	
			Intel WiFi 6	
			Minimum of two (2) USB 3.0 Adapters	
			HDMI Port	
			65W USB-C Power Adapter with AC Power Cord	
			US Keyboard	
			Winning Vendor must be a member of the Cloud Solution Partner (CSP) Program, so that devices purchased with this bid can be enrolled in the District's Autopilot Program	
			Must be new device – no refurbished devices allowed	
			Delivery of initial purchase must be on or before December 7, 2021	

<sup>\*\*</sup>If bidding an alternate to the Dell Latitude 3120 BTX with specifications listed above, specifications for netbook being bid must be included with Unpriced Proposal submission due by 9 am, CST, October 14, 2021\*\*

(Rev. Decamber 2014) Department of the Treasury

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