

Request for Proposals No. 2026-02

Addendum 01 – Pre-Bid Conference Q&A

This document is posted to capture the questions received, and agency answers provided, during the Pre-Bid Conference, which was held on October 6, 2025.

All amendments, addenda, and notifications related to this procurement will be posted on the [OSPI website](#) (if this was an open procurement) and on the Washington Electronic Business Solution ([WEBS](#)) website. Additional questions concerning this procurement must be submitted to contracts@K12.wa.us. Communication directed to other parties will be considered unofficial and non-binding on OSPI, and may result in disqualification of the Consultant.

1. **Question:** We recently obtained a non-profit certification because the majority of our leadership is either Minority or Woman. Does Washington have this type of Certification for non-profits?

Answer: In Washington State Minority, Woman, Veteran, and Small Business Certification is only available to for-profit businesses through the Office of Minority & Women's Business Enterprises.

2. **Question:** Is there a place for Subcontractors to put in a bid to be a subcontractor?

Answer: We do not compile or maintain a list of interested or potential subcontractors for any of our RFPs. Subcontractor relationships must be established in collaboration with the proposed contractor during the bid phase, or with the selected contractor after award. The name of the selected contractor will be made public in [Washington's Electronic Business Solution \(WEBS\)](#) on the day we identify the Apparent Successful Bidder (currently scheduled to occur on November 10). At that time, you could reach out to the Apparent Successful Bidder and discuss potential subcontractor opportunities.

3. **Question:** We have a speaker's bureau of over 30 speakers - would all of them need to be included in the subcontractor database for WA state? Would we have time to get them all registered?

(a lot of them are in the late 80s and 90s).

Answer: Any speakers are being contracted as subcontractors performing all or part of the services under this contract, they would be subject compliance tracking through Washington's Business Diversity Management System [Access Equity](#). Training to learn how to fully utilize the system is available with a live trainer [online](#). The Apparent Successful Bidder and all required subcontractors must be registered and all required information entered into the Access Equity system within fifteen (15) days after the



contract has been executed. The required user training must be completed within twenty (20) days of the contract being executed.

4. **Question:** Can you expand on this? Contractor shall inform a designated OSPI representative of opportunities to include free(no-cost) Holocaust and genocide education professional development, instructional materials, and/or resources in OSPI media. Final decisions on whether and how to include the above items are at the discretion of OSPI and may include (but not be limited to) the OSPI social studies newsletter.

Answer: The Contractor shall communicate with the designated OSPI representative on resources and/or materials developed as part of the scope of work of the contract so that OSPI can contribute to advertising those resources (professional development, instructional materials, and or additional resources) through OSPI media channels (an example of OSPI media is the OSPI Social Studies Newsletter) to educators statewide. The advertisement of these materials and resources serves as an additional method of advertising to educators, in addition to any communication methods used by the contractor.

5. **Question:** If we were awarded the contract, I notice there is a survey involved. Would we be required to collect student data?

Answer: The Contractor will not be asked to collect student specific data. The Contractor will be asked collect data to reflect the district, school, and grade level, with qualitative and quantitative data on their experience with the resources or services provided. The Contractor will also collect the same level of data for Educators.

6. **Question:** Would you please let us know whether you require other subject areas, specifically Math?

Answer: Funding for state appropriation for fiscal year 2026 was provided solely for OSPI to contract with a nonprofit organization for the expansion of comprehensive Holocaust and genocide education. Professional development, instructional materials, and resources must align with the [Washington State Social Studies Learning Standards](#), and are also encouraged to incorporate elements of [Washington State Learning Standards in English Language Arts](#) and [Social-Emotional Learning](#). Consideration of the additional elements in other subject areas like math and science can be proposed to the apparent successful bidder for incorporation in their materials. The name of the selected contractor will be made public in [Washington's Electronic Business Solution \(WEBS\)](#) on the day we identify the Apparent Successful Bidder (currently scheduled to occur on November 10). At that time, you could reach out to the Apparent Successful Bidder and discuss potential subcontractor opportunities.

No questions or responses included in this document require any changes to the solicitation document; this document stands alone.