

Pre-Procurement Announcement 2026-23

School Bus Specification Review

STATE OF WASHINGTON
OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION
OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON

PROJECT TITLE: School Bus Price Quotations

ESTIMATED AWARD PERIOD: September 1, 2026 – August 31, 2027. Amendments extending the period of performance, if any, shall be at the sole discretion of OSPI.

CONSULTANT ELIGIBILITY: This solicitation is open to those Consultants who satisfy the minimum qualifications that will be listed in the RFQ.

All communications concerning this Procurement must be directed only to the Procurement Coordinator via email. Any other communication will be considered unofficial and non-binding on OSPI. Consultants are to rely on written statements issued by the Procurement Coordinator. Communication directed to parties other than the Procurement Coordinator may result in disqualification of the Consultant.

This Procurement is available at the [Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction \(OSPI\) website](#) and at the Department of Enterprise Services, [Washington Electronic Business Solution \(WEBS\) Procurement website](#). All Procurement amendments and/or Consultant questions and OSPI answers will be posted to these sites. All interested Consultants must be registered with WEBS under the following commodity codes to receive automatic notifications: **065-17:** Bus Bodies, School; **071-14:** Bus Chassis, School; **071-15:** Buses Complete, School (Conventional Type); **071-16:** Buses Complete, School (Small Vehicle Type); **928-24:** Buses, School and Mass Transit, Maintenance and Repair

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A.1. PURPOSE OF PRE-PROCUREMENT ANNOUNCEMENT

The Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) is initiating this Pre-Procurement Announcement to notify interested parties of an upcoming Request for School Bus Price Quotations. The estimated due date will be 12:00 p.m., Pacific Time (PT) on Monday, August 3, 2026. The purpose of the Pre-Procurement Announcement is to give potential bidders an opportunity to research the project and plan for the procurement prior to its release. OSPI reserves the right to revise information posted herein.

A.2. PRE-PROCUREMENT MEETING

A pre-bid state price quote specification document review meeting will be held on June 29, 2026, during the Washington Association of Pupil Transportation (WAPT) Conference, at the SpringHill Suites in Kennewick, Washington. The meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m., PT, and will be hosted in Room C. The meeting is open to the public and any interested vendors.

The purpose of this meeting is to review proposed changes to the 2026-2027 State Price Quote Specification documents, which are attached as exhibits to this pre-procurement announcement.

Vendors who are unable to attend the pre-procurement meeting, but would like a copy of the notes, may email contracts@k12.wa.us.

A.3. BACKGROUND

Pursuant to [Revised Code of Washington \(RCW\) 28A.160.195](#), OSPI is soliciting competitive price quotes from school bus dealers for school buses in thirty (30) separate categories.

A.4. OBJECTIVE AND SCOPE OF WORK

School bus dealers will produce school buses in up to thirty (30) separate categories to Washington state Local Education Agency's (LEA).

Following the competitive process, OSPI will publish a list of all accepted price quotes. Local Education Agency's may purchase a school bus directly from the submitting dealer without going to bid if the price quote is on the OSPI list of accepted bids.

For the purpose of this process, "local education agency" includes Washington state school districts, Educational Service Districts, public charter schools, and tribal compact schools.

A.5. ESTIMATED SCHEDULE OF PROCUREMENT ACTIVITIES

Item	Action	Date
1.	OSPI issues Pre-Procurement Announcement	June 4, 2026
2.	OSPI will host a Pre-Bid Price Quote Specification Document Review meeting	9:30 a.m., PT on June 29, 2026
3.	OSPI issues RFQ	July 10, 2026
4.	Proposals due	August 3, 2026
5.	OSPI conducts evaluation of proposals	August 5, 2026
6.	OSPI publishes vetted list of vendors for use by school districts	September 1, 2026

OSPI reserves the right to revise the above schedule.

A.6. PROCUREMENT COORDINATOR

The Procurement Coordinator is the sole point of contact in OSPI for this procurement. All communication between the Consultant and OSPI upon receipt of this Procurement shall be with the Procurement Coordinator, as follows:

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A.7. QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Any questions or communications concerning this Procurement must be directed only to the Procurement Coordinator. Questions and/or inquiries must be sent via email and should include the Procurement number. Consultants are to rely on written statements issued by the Procurement Coordinator. Communication directed to parties other than the Procurement Coordinator will be considered unofficial and non-binding on OSPI, and may result in disqualification of the Consultant. Answers or other applicable addenda will be posted to OSPI and WEBS.

Consultants are encouraged to make any inquiry regarding the Procurement as early in the process as possible to allow OSPI to consider and, if warranted, respond to the inquiry.

A.8. AMENDMENTS TO THE PROCUREMENT

In the event it becomes necessary to revise any part of this Procurement, an addendum or an amendment will be published on the [OSPI website](#). For this purpose, the published Consultant questions and Agency answers, and any other pertinent information, shall be considered an addendum to the Procurement. Additionally, all addenda referred to above will be released on WEBS under the commodity code(s) listed on the cover page of this Procurement. Only consultants who have properly registered in WEBS will receive automatic notification of amendments or other correspondence pertaining to this Procurement. For those not registered in [WEBS](#), it will be the responsibility of interested Consultants to check the website periodically for addenda and amendments to the Procurement.

A.9. AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

OSPI complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Consultants may contact the RFQQ Coordinator to receive this RFQ in an alternative format.

A.10. EXHIBITS

Type A – Gas & Propane
Type A – Electric
Type C60 – Bid as 48 Passenger, Diesel, Gas & Propane
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Type C77 – Bid as 71 Passenger, Diesel, Gas & Propane
Type C77 – Bid as 71 Passenger, Electric
Type D60 – Bid as 48 Passenger, Diesel
Type D84 – Bid as 78 Passenger, Diesel
Type D – 84 Passenger, Rear Engine
Type D – 84 Passenger, Electric