South Harrison Township

Board of Education

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County

2025-2026

School Year

Bid Specifications

for

Student Transportation Services

To and From School

Bid Number: SHES2025-1

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General Provisions

- 1. All contractors must comply with current applicable New Jersey statutes, regulations and with the policies and procedures of the district board of education governing student transportation.
- The term of the contract will be from July 1, 2025 through June 2026 according to the school year calendar.
 Student transportation contracts include all the rules and procedures pertaining to student transportation though not expressly stated.
- 3. The Board of Education intends to award a contract for transportation as soon as possible after the date set for the opening of bids and to require the successful contractor to provide transportation in accordance with the school calendar. The attached school calendar is part of these specifications and of the contract.
- 4. The successful bidder is considered an independent contractor and is not an agent, servant, employee, or representative of the board of education.
- 5. As authorized by the district board of education, only enrolled eligible public and private school students, adults serving as chaperones or school personnel can be transported. The vehicle(s) assigned to the routes specified herein cannot be utilized for other purposes during the time periods designated by the route descriptions.
- 6. Vehicle(s) must arrive and/or depart the assigned school(s) as indicated on the enclosed route descriptions.
- 7. No transportation contract can be subcontracted without the prior written approval of the board of education.
- 8. Bids are to be placed in a sealed envelope and plainly marked, "Bid for Student Transportation Services, South Harrison Township School District" and presented to the board in session, authorized committee, designated official or employee of the board. The board or designated official will unseal the bids in the presence of the parties bidding and publicly announce the contents. Bids will be received at the <u>Logan Township Board of Education Business Office</u>, located at 110 School Lane, <u>Logan Township</u>, NJ 08085 up to 11:00 a.m. prevailing time on May 9, 2025.
- 9. If awarded a contract, your company/firm must ensure compliance with all applicable federal, state and local regulations and certify such compliance to the board of education upon request.

- 10. The Board of Education reserves the right to transfer transportation contracts awarded under these specifications to another Board of Education.
- 11. If any litigation commences between the Board of Education and the successful bidder pursuant to the award of this contract, the venue for any suit must be in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Law Division, in the county where the Board of Education administering the contract is located.

Vehicles

- 1. Transportation equipment must be properly registered by the Motor Vehicle Commission, meet all current specifications in accordance with Federal and State law, the rules of the State Board of Education, and any additional specifications of this district's board of education.
- 2. All vehicles must be systematically inspected twice within the school year and display a school bus certification inspection sticker to ensure that such vehicles and equipment are in safe and proper operating condition.
- The contractor must provide and maintain an adequate number of school buses, including spares, to safely
 transport all students assigned to the routes contained in this bid and to assure uninterrupted service in the event of
 mechanical breakdown.
- 4. All vehicles used must have a minimum capacity of ten (10) passengers, unless otherwise noted on the individual route description. A minimum capacity of ten (10) passenger vehicles must meet the requirements of a Type I or II school bus. All 10 passenger minimum-capacity, Type II vehicles must be painted national school bus yellow and be equipped with flashing warning lights.
- 5. Vehicles are to be identified with the name of the transportation company affixed to both the driver and passenger side of the vehicles.
 - a. Identifying letters should be bold and a minimum of 3 inches on both the driver and passenger side
 - b. A designation identifying the bus as a "school bus" shall be made on the front and back of each bus in bold letters of at least 4 inches in height
- 6. Route Number should be clearly displayed in the first passenger window or door.
- 7. All vehicles shall be equipped with an electronic two-way voice communication system, such as a two-way radio or cell phone, preferably not citizen band equipment, in operation at all times. This will enable the contractor to communicate with the driver upon request of the South Harrison Township Board of Education.
- 8. The Transportation Office must be able to reach transportation contractors at all times. If an answering machine is covering for an unattended office, then transportation personnel must check in hourly. Please supply the Transportation Office with emergency phone numbers of one key contact person from the main office.

- 9. Contractors shall clean the interior of each vehicle daily, reports shall be on file for Board's Inspection.
- 10. The contractor shall submit copies of each inspection report to the school district's transportation office upon request.

Equipment: School Bus Vehicle

1. The following equipment must be present on every school bus vehicle as outlined in New Jersey.

Administrative Code Title 13:

- a. Seat belt cutter
- b. Fire extinguisher
- c. First aid kit
- d. Three (3) reflective triangle-warning devices
- e. Other emergency equipment as outlined in code and other equipment as so outlined by federal, state, and local laws.
- All vehicles must be equipped with a GPS tracking device. The School District is provided access to GPS tracking software.
- All equipment on and in the bus shall meet the current specifications for transportation as set forth in the rules of the State Board of Education, federal regulations and any additional specifications of the South Harrison Township Board of Education.

Audio/Video Recording Equipment

- 1. With the goal of student safety as the major concern, the South Harrison Township Board of Education requires that bus companies have the capability of video surveillance on their school buses. The use of video cameras on the vehicles will be an aid in monitoring student behavior.
- 2. It is the responsibility of the bus company to ensure that the video cameras are focused correctly and that the appropriate date is displayed.
- 3. Whenever a video tape is requested by the South Harrison Township Board of Education, it is the responsibility of the bus company to deliver the tape to the Board Office within four (4) hours of the request.
- 4. Whenever there is a major incident or fight on the bus, it is advisable that the driver remove the tape after the run and deliver it to his/her immediate supervisor before the incident is erased. The driver should always have a spare tape on hand to replace the one that is removed.

- 5. The South Harrison Township Board of Education will randomly inspect and/or monitor the buses to ensure that the video cameras are in operation and working properly throughout the school year.
- 6. Each school vehicle shall have a sign displayed prominently stating:

"This vehicle may be equipped with a video camera and/or audio recording device to monitor student behavior."

• Viewing of Tapes

- 1. Initial viewing or listening to recordings may be done by the Board Administrator, Building Principal, or designee, Superintendent of School or other appropriate school district employees or police.
- 2. Requests for viewing or listening will be limited to parents or guardians of pupils involved, teaching or support staff, drivers and district officials all at the approval of the Superintendent. Law enforcement and other governmental agencies with a direct or indirect interest in any proceedings, disciplinary or otherwise resulting from the recordings may request, in writing to the Superintendent of Schools, to view the video tape recordings.
- 3. Only the portion of the video or audio recording concerning a specific incident will be made available for viewing.
- 4. Actual viewing or listening to the recording will be permitted at school related sites designated by the Superintendent of Schools or his/her designee.
- 5. All viewing or listening will be in the presence of a school official designated by the Superintendent of Schools.
- 6. A written log will be maintained by the Superintendent of Schools or his/her designee of those viewing video/audio recordings including date of viewing and listening, reason for viewing, the date the recording was made, vehicle and driver video/audio-taped and the signature of the viewer. Video/audio recordings remain the property of the district and may be reproduced only in accordance with the law, including applicable district pupil records policy and procedures and district personnel records policy, procedures and applicable collective bargaining procedures.
- 7. In order to protect the health and safety of all students riding buses, tapes revealing unlawful actions will be brought to the attention of law enforcement agencies.

• Storage/Security

- 1. Video and audio tapes will be kept for a minimum of five (5) school days. If at that time no incidents have been reported, the tape will be erased and rotated back into a bus to be reused.
- 2. All copies of recorded video and audio tapes will be kept in a locked storage cabinet in a secure area at the bus company. Tapes requested by the school district will be kept in a locked storage cabinet located in the South Harrison Township Board of Education.

Accident Reporting

- 1. Contractors must ensure that every school bus driver will: a) immediately inform the principal(s) of the receiving school(s) and the school business administrator or designee of the district board of education providing the transportation following an accident which involves an injury, death, or property damage, b) complete and file the accident report as prescribed by the Commissioner of Education and deliver it to the principal(s) of the receiving school(s) by the conclusion of the next working day, and c) deliver the report to the school business administrator or designee of the district board of education providing the transportation after it is signed by the principal(s) of the receiving school(s) in accordance with NJAC 6A:27-12.2. In addition, the driver must also complete and file a motor vehicle accident report in accordance with NJSA 39-4:130.
- 2. The driver must also contact the contractor who shall notify the Transportation Office at (856) 467-5133 x302 immediately with the following information: route number, destination, and name of injured student(s).

Reporting Student Left Unattended on the School Bus

Every owner/operator of a school vehicle must immediately inform the administrator or principal of the receiving school and the chief school administrator of the district board of education providing for the transportation or their designee following an incident in which it is determined that a student was left unattended on the school bus at the end of the route. School district or school bus contractor personnel who discover, or to whom it is reported, that a student has been left on a school bus must immediately report the incident to the owner/operator of the vehicle. A student is considered to have been left unattended on the school bus at the end of the route when the driver has left the vicinity of the bus.

Drivers/Aides

- 1. The driver must be a reliable person of good character who possesses the qualifications and communication skills necessary to perform the duties of the position, and comply with the rules set forth for drivers in all federal, state and local regulations including, but not limited to, the Omnibus Transportation Employee Testing Act, NJSA 18A:6-7.6 through 18A:6-7.12 and NJSA 18A:39-17 through 20 (background check) (Note: This requirement also applies to Certified Mobility Assistance Vehicle (MAV) Technicians transporting students with medical needs to and from school or school related activities in mobility assistance vehicles.), and tuberculosis testing.
- 2. If a student assigned to a special education route is not present at the assigned bus stop for three consecutive days, the contractor must report this absence to the district transportation supervisor.
- 3. The bus driver must always be in full charge of the school bus and is required to report unmanageable students to the district transportation supervisor and principal of the receiving school on the district prescribed incident/discipline form.

- 4. Drivers shall wear a properly adjusted and fastened seat belt whenever the vehicle is in motion. The driver will ensure "the direction of vehicle from the last stop shall be along the safest most direct route to the destination." Off route stops and pickups are strictly prohibited. Drivers must not accept notes or transportation changes from the parents (change of address or different pickup/drop-off location). Parents must make changes directly with the Transportation Office. Drivers are not to stop for coffee or perform other unauthorized activities while children are on the vehicle.
- 5. Drivers are to ensure that all pupils are brought home in a timely fashion. If a situation arises where a driver becomes lost and there is a delay in getting pupils home, the driver shall immediately do the following:
 - Contact Information:

Mrs. Leah Haven, Transportation Coordinator

■ Office: (856) 467-5133 x302 Cell: (732) 789-7829

o South Harrison Township Elementary School Main Office

■ Office: (856) 769-0855

Supervisor of Elementary Education

■ Office: (856) 769-0855

Chief School Administrator

■ Office: (856) 769-0855

Parents of Pupils

• Contact the Police Department if the situation warrants it.

- 6. A bus aide assigned to a route awarded by this bid must be a reliable person of good character who possesses the qualifications and communication skills necessary to perform the duties of the position and is required to comply with the criminal background check and tuberculosis testing as prescribed by law.
- 7. Bus aides must attend to the special needs of students, maintain order on the vehicle to ensure the safety of all students, assist students getting on and off the vehicle as needed, and other duties which may be specified by the board of education.
- 8. If the Board of Education finds any driver or aide assigned to a vehicle operating under a contract awarded by this bid to be unsuitable for the position because of a lack of skills necessary to perform the job duties, inability to control students, failure to comply with the rules and regulations, incapacity, unbecoming conduct, or other good cause, the contractor may be required to remove the driver and/or aide from the route or all district routes. If the contractor fails to comply with this provision, the contractor may be required to show cause why this failure to comply is not deemed to constitute a breach of contract and may set aside and annul the contract.
- 9. Bus contractors shall ensure that only enrolled eligible pupils assigned by the Board of Education, school personnel, and authorized school aides shall be transported 'on the school bus. No unauthorized personnel,

especially children of bus drivers, aides, and parents of pupils may ride on a vehicle without express written consent of the South Harrison Township School District.

- 10. Parents, guardians, relatives, friends of pupils, and the general public are prohibited from entering a school bus unless expressly invited by the school district in cooperation with the bus company.
- 11. The safety of the pupils on the bus is the district's paramount concern.
- 12. There shall be no standees on the transportation vehicle.
- 13. Drivers are not permitted to play AM/FM radios while students are on the bus.

Smoking, Eating, Drinking; Prohibited

- 1. 1. Smoking by driver and aide is prohibited on the school bus vehicle, at all times, whether pupils are on or off the vehicle. (N.J.S.2C:33-13)
- 2. Eating or drinking on the vehicle by drivers, and/or students is dangerous and strictly prohibited.

Gifts to Students

1. Drivers are not to give gifts, presents or food/drink products to any students.

Substitute Drivers

- 1. Whenever there is a substitute driver on a bus, the contractor is to make sure that they are aware of the district's transportation procedures. The following are a few of the most important points that all substitute drivers should be aware of:
 - a. Substitutes need to have a copy of an updated list with the names and pick-up/drop-off addresses for all the students on the run.
 - b. When picking up students at the school the driver should check off from the list who the students are that are getting on the bus. Remember that many of the children the district transports have multiple disabilities and sometimes they cannot communicate appropriately as to their name and address.
 - c. Drivers must make sure that there is a parent or an adult outside for the child for all students in grades Pre-K to K. If no one is outside for the child, the driver must continue the route until they have dropped off all the students, then they are to go back to the student's home. If there is still no one there, the bus company is to call the Transportation Office at (856) 467-5133 x302 for further instruction. If it is after hours the driver should call
 - o Mrs. Leah Haven, Transportation Coordinator Cell: (732) 789-7829
 - o Report to the South Harrison Township Elementary School Main Entrance

2. The contractor must inform the district if a substitute driver is assigned to any route prior to the start of the route.

Uniforms for Drivers

 The Board Office strongly urges all pupil transportation companies to provide to drivers some sort of uniform clothing or name tag e.g. shirt, sweater, windbreaker, parka, etc., that identifies the driver as an employee of their company.

Executive County Superintendent Approval

All transportation contracts require the approval of the Executive County Superintendent of Schools.

Payment Terms

- 1. Payments to contractors will be made on or about the 30th day of the month. Payments are made in monthly installments, provided an appropriate invoice is submitted by 7 business days in advance of the monthly Board meeting..
- 2. The contractor must execute the contract and submit it to the district board of education with all required related documents for the district board of education to comply with the timeline for submission of contracts to the county superintendent. Failure to do so may result in a delay in the scheduled payment of services. Contractors should visit the Department of Education's Student Transportation website to become familiar with the contract to be executed.
- 3. Payment for the month of June will be made by the 3rd week of July.
- 4. Per Diem contracts will be calculated on the actual number of days transportation services were performed.
- 5. Payments are subject to approval by the board of education. Therefore, payments may be delayed depending on the Board's meeting schedule.

Emergency Provisions

- 1. In the event the school is closed due to inclement weather or other emergencies, the contractor will be notified as soon as possible by the public-school authorities providing transportation. Contractors are also advised to check online for school closing announcements.
- 2. In an emergency where the contractor cannot meet the schedule, or if the school has a change in schedule, the party responsible for any change must immediately notify the other party.
- 3. School arrival/dismissal hours as shown in the route description will be adhered to throughout the school year, except for any planned early dismissals or emergency closings. All vehicles shall arrive and/or depart the assigned schools/destinations as indicated on the route descriptions.

4. Early/Late arrivals and departures will not be tolerated and shall be considered as a failure to provide service in accordance with the specifications and contract. Cancellation of the contract and/or enforcement of Contractor's Performance Bond may be a result of these violations.

Communication System

All transportation vehicles shall be equipped, at all times, with a two-way communications system (CB/standard two-way band and cellular phone) in proper operating condition. The communication system shall only be used for business reasons during the transportation of South Harrison Township pupils.

Prohibition: While students are on the vehicle, bus drivers are prohibited from driving the vehicle and talking with a handheld two-way radio and cellular phone simultaneously. Drivers are to pull the vehicle to the side of the road and have the vehicle come to a complete stop before using the radio or phone. (R.S. 39:3B-25)

Badges; Identification

All drivers, while transporting South Harrison Township pupils, must wear plastic or metal identification badges clearly imprinted with the full name of the driver or aide and the name of the transportation company.

Example

JANE DOE ALL AMERICAN BUS CO.

Child Abuse, Neglect; Reporting Suspicions of

1. Bus drivers who have reasonable cause to believe that a child has been subjected to any type of child abuse or neglect shall report any such suspicions IMMEDIATELY to their immediate supervisor. The bus company supervisor shall report the suspicions to either Mr. Scott Hogan, Principal & Director of Curriculum, or Mrs. Leah Haven, Transportation Coordinator. It is the responsibility of the school principal to investigate the suspicions and to notify the Division of Child Protection & Permanency (DCP&P).

Basis of Bid and Adjustments

- 1. The bidder must submit the bid on the bid sheet contained in these bid specifications. Bids are submitted on a per diem or per annum basis as indicated on the enclosed bid sheet. Other bid sheets are not acceptable.
- 2. If there is a change in the described route, the amount of the contract will be adjusted as specified in the bid. Bids which do not include an adjustment amount will not be accepted.

- 3. The net result of any mileage adjustment to a nonpublic school transportation contract cannot exceed the maximum cost per student in accordance with NJSA 18A:39-1a. Calculations to determine the per student cost must include all students on the route, public and nonpublic.
- 4. In the event of a tied bid, the School District shall award at the discretion of the School District based on all factors in the bid.

Insurance Coverage

- 1. Unless otherwise specified by the board of education, the contractor must provide automotive liability insurance in the minimum amount required by the Motor Vehicle Commission and Department of Education regulations. If the board of education requires an insurance coverage greater than the minimum amount, the contractor must provide automotive liability insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000 combined single limit per occurrence. Bidders are required to provide, with the bid, evidence of their ability to obtain the required insurance coverage. A certificate of insurance for the duration of the contract must be presented by the successful bidder. The certificate of insurance must state that the contracting board of education is an additional insured party to the policy.
- 2. The district board of education and the Executive County Superintendent must be notified by the insured whenever any policy is cancelled. Notification must be made within 48 hours of the receipt of the notification of the cancellation by the insured, and before the cancellation takes effect.
- 3. The contractor will protect, defend, and hold harmless the Board of Education from any lawsuits or actions of every nature and description brought against it for, or on account of any injuries or damages received or sustained by any party or parties by or from any acts of the contractor, its servants or agents as a result of the performance of the contract.

Bid Guarantee

- 1. Each bid must be accompanied by a bid bond, cashier's or certified check for a minimum of five percent (5%) of the amount of the annual contract cost. In no case may the certified check, cashier's check or bid bond exceed \$50,000. No other form of guarantee is authorized. This guarantee must be made payable to the Board of Education. The deposit will be forfeited if the bidder refuses to execute a contract. Otherwise, checks will be returned when the contract is executed and a surety (performance) bond is filed with the Board of Education. The bid guarantee is identified by the bid number assigned to the bid for which it is submitted. The bid guarantee for all unsuccessful bidders, except for the three lowest bidders, will be returned within 10 days after the bid opening (Saturdays, Sundays and holidays excepted). The annual contract amount of per diem contracts is calculated by multiplying the total per diem cost by **the total in-person instructional** days.
- 2. Each bid must be accompanied by a Consent of Surety.

Performance Guarantee

- A Corporate performance surety bond in an amount equal to the annual amount of the contract is required of the
 successful bidder. The performance guarantee is identified by the submitted multi-contract number or route
 number. Each bid must be accompanied by a signed Prescribed Form of Questionnaire, included in these
 specifications. The bond provided for per diem contracts must be equal to the total per diem bid multiplied by 180
 days.
- 2. If personal bonds are permitted by these specifications, a contractor who submits a personal bond must ensure that the bondsperson providing the performance guarantee provides a list of all school districts in which they are bonding contracts and the amount of the contracts bonded. Evidence of the value of the property listed as security must also be provided upon request.

Breach of Contract/Penalties

- 1. In the event the contractor fails to provide service in accordance with these specifications and stated requirements, the contractor will be considered in breach of contract. This may result in cancellation of the contract and/or enforcement of the contractor's performance bond.
- 2. The parties agree that operational bus video and video equipment is integral to this Agreement and that the Board requires all video equipment to be operating and capable of producing and retaining footage for reasons of the safety and security of all passengers. The parties acknowledge and agree that if a breach were to occur with relation to the video equipment, such as failure to operate or failure to supply video footage, it would be difficult to determine actual damages. Therefore, in the event the Contractor does not have the required operational video on any bus used to service this contract, and/or fails to supply the Board with video footage upon request, the Contractor shall pay the Board, as reasonable liquidated damages, and not as a penalty, \$100 per day/per bus where such devices were absent or not working. Such amount is agreed upon as a reasonable and proper measure. The Contractor's video equipment will be subject to spot checks by the Board to ensure compliance with this requirement. For a second offense for this or any other bus in the subject Contractor's fleet, a fine will be assessed at \$150 per bus/per incident in violation of the specifications. Third and subsequent offenses will be considered just cause to terminate the contract.

Training Programs

1. The contractor must ensure that drivers and aides are properly trained to perform their duties, which must include, at a minimum, the training requirements listed at NJSA. 18A:39-19.1a and NJAC 6A:27-11.3. This training requirement must be completed twice each calendar year.

- 2. The contractor must administer a safety education program for all permanent and substitute drivers and bus aides according to NJSA 18A:39-19.1a and NJAC 6A:27-11.3 twice each calendar year.
- 3. Drivers and aides are required to participate in scheduled school bus evacuation drills.

Routes

- 1. Within 10 days of the start of the contract, the contractor must submit to the district board of education a description of the actual streets traveled for routes for the transportation of special education students and nonpublic school students for which the streets to be traveled are not described by the board of education on the route description contained in the bid.
- 2. The direction of the vehicle from the last stop shall be along the safest most direct route to the destination.

Modifications

- 1. Any modifications to these specifications after the public advertisement for bids and prior to the scheduled bid opening, will be made known by certified mail to all bidders who requested specifications.
- 2. The Board of Education reserves the right to make modifications of routes subject to the provisions of the bid and the rules of the State Board of Education.

Affirmative Action

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Except with respect to affectional or sexual orientation and gender identity or expression, the contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that such applicants are recruited and employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Public Agency Compliance Officer setting forth provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will send to each labor union or representative or workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer advising the labor union or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this act and will post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, agrees to comply with any regulations promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., as amended and supplemented from time to time and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to make good faith efforts to employ minority and women workers consistent with the applicable county employment goals established in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27 5.2, or a binding determination of the applicable county employment goals determined by the Division, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to inform in writing its appropriate recruitment agencies including, but not limited to, employment agencies, placement bureaus, colleges, universities, labor unions, that it does not discriminate on the basis of age, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, and that it will discontinue the use of any recruitment agency which engages in direct or indirect discriminatory practices.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to revise any of its testing procedures, if necessary, to assure that all personnel testing conforms with the principles of job-related testing, as established by the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey and as established by applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

In conforming with the applicable employment goals, the contractor or subcontractor agrees to review all procedures relating to transfer, upgrading, downgrading and layoff to ensure that all such actions are taken without regard to age, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, consistent with the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey, and applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

The contractor must submit to the public agency, after notification of award but prior to execution of a goods and services contract, one of the following three documents:

- 1. Letter of Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval
- 2. Certificate of Employee Information Report
- 3. Employee Information Report Form AA302

The contractor and its subcontractors must furnish such reports or other documents to the Division of Contract Compliance & EEO as requested by the office from time to time to carry out the purposes of these regulations. Public agencies will furnish such information as requested by the Division of Contract Compliance & EEO to conduct a compliance investigation pursuant to Subchapter 10 of the Administrative Code at N.J.A.C. 17:27.

Ownership Disclosure

All bidders are hereby notified that every corporation and partnership, according to the provision of Chapter 33, Laws of 1977 of the State of New Jersey, must submit a statement prior to the receipt of the bid or accompanying the bid, setting forth the names and addresses of all stockholders in the corporation or partnership who own 10% or more of its stock, of any class or of all partners in the partnership who own a 10% or greater interest. If one or more such stockholder or partner is itself a corporation or partnership, the stockholders holding 10% or more of that corporation's stock, or the individual partner's 10% or greater interest in that partnership must also be listed. The disclosure continues until names and addresses of every non-corporate stockholder, and individual partner, exceeding the 10% ownership criteria established in this act, has been listed.

Business Registration

All bidders are hereby notified that every business organization must submit with their bid a copy of their Business Registration Certificate, in compliance with P.L. 2004, c 57 of the State of New Jersey.

Drug and Alcohol Testing

If awarded a contract, your company/firm is required to certify to the board of education that you follow the drug and alcohol requirements of the Omnibus Transportation Employee Testing Act.

Background Checks

- 1. The contractor must ensure compliance with the requirements of NJSA 18A:39-17 through 20 governing criminal history background checks and must annually submit required documents to the county superintendent of schools on or before August 31 or upon employment for newly hired drivers.
- The contractor must ensure compliance with the requirements of NJSA 18A:6-7.6 through 12 governing child abuse and sexual misconduct checks. Additional information on this requirement is available from the Office of Student Protection's "Pre-Employment Resources" webpage: https://www.state.nj.us/education/crimhist/preemployment/.

Driver and Aide Training

The contractor must comply with the requirements of NJSA 18A:39-19.1a, 2, and 3 governing the training of school bus drivers and aides and must annually submit required documents to the county superintendent of schools on or before August 31 or upon employment for newly hired drivers and/or aides.

Disclosure of Political Contributions

The contractor must file an annual disclosure statement on political contributions with the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission pursuant to NJSA 19:44A-20.13 (P.L. 2005, c.271, s.3) if the contractor receives contracts in the aggregate exceeding \$50,000 from public entities in a calendar year. It is the contractor's responsibility to determine if filing is necessary. Additional information on this requirement is available from ELEC at 888-313-3532 or at www.elec.state.nj.us.

Maintenance of Contract Records

The relevant records of private vendors or other persons entering into contracts with covered entities are subject to audit or review by the Office of the State Comptroller pursuant to NJSA 52:15C-14(d). The contractor must maintain all documentation related to products, transactions, or services under this contract for a period of five years from the date of final payment. These records must be available to the New Jersey Office of the State Comptroller upon request.

Notification Required when a School Bus Driver's License is suspended or revoked

When a contractor providing pupil transportation services under contract with a board of education is notified by the Department of Education that a school bus driver employed by the provider has had their bus driver's license suspended or revoked, the employing transportation provider, within one business day of the notification, must provide a statement to the NJ Department of Education verifying that the school bus driver no longer operates a school bus for the board or contractor.

Business Registration Certificate 2. Evidence of the Bidder's Ability to Obtain the Required Insurance Coverage 3. Omnibus Transportation Employee Testing Act Compliance Assurance 4. School Bus Driver Annual Certification Compliance Assurance 5. Disclosure of Investment Activities in Iran 6. Prescribed Questionnaire 7. Consent of Surety Statement of Ownership Disclosure 10. Coordinated Transportation Services Agency Membership Form (CTSA only) 11. Affirmative Action Documentation or Questionnaire 12. Non-Collusion Affidavit

The following documents must be submitted for your bid to be considered:

Bidder's Guarantee

1.

13. Bid Sheet

ROUTE DESCRIPTION REGULAR PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS

ROUTE NO. SH-GIS

DESTINATION(S) Good Intent School

ARRIVAL TIME AT FIRST STOP 8:10 A.M. (see attached AM route)

ROUTE See attached

Vehicle shall arrive at the destination no earlier than **8:30 A.M.** or later than **8:40 A.M.**

P.M. Run begins at the **Good Intent School** at **3:25 P.M.** (see attached PM route)

Minimum Vehicle Capacity 2

Equipment N/A

Special Instructions <u>Bus contractor aide required</u>, <u>Bid includes ESY and regular school year</u>. <u>ESY 2025 & 25/26 Calendars will be provided as soon as they are available</u>.

THE STARTING DATE OF THIS ROUTE IS July 1, 2025

Good Intent School

1555 Good Intent Road Deptford, NJ 08096 8:40am - 3:25pm

Early Dismissal: 8:40am - 1:25pm

SH-GIS AM

STOP TIME LOCATION

8:10 AM 54 FERRELL ROAD

Go east on Ferrell Rd toward Lincoln Mill Rd 1.04 mi.

Turn left on Commissioners Rd 1.67 mi. Turn right on Fislerville Rd 1.63 mi.

Continue forward on Harrisonville Rd 1.95 mi. Turn right on Lt. James S. Stratton Ln 0.13 mi.

Turn left on Richwood Rd 0.17 mi. Turn right on Mullica Hill Rd 0.69 mi.

Take the exit on the right to merge onto NJ-55 N toward Bellmawr 2.90 mi.

WARNING CROSS OVER RAILROAD.
Continue on NJ-55 N toward Bellmawr 2.95 mi.
Take exit 56A on the right toward NJ-47 S 0.25 mi.
Make a sharp left on Delsea Dr 0.47 mi.

Turn right on Fox Run Rd 1.30 mi.
Turn left on Good Intent Rd 0.19 mi.

Make a U-turn at Carnation Dr and go back on Good Intent Rd 0.01 mi.

8:35 AM GOOD INTENT SCHOOL (GOOD)

SH-GIS PM

STOP TIME LOCATION

3:25 PM GOOD INTENT SCHOOL (GOOD)

Go southeast on Good Intent Rd toward Ambrose Ct 0.18 mi.

Turn right on Fox Run Rd 1.30 mi. Turn left on Delsea Dr 0.07 mi.

Take the ramp on the right and go on NJ-55 S toward Glassboro 3.34 mi.

WARNING CROSS OVER RAILROAD.

Continue on NJ-55 S toward Glassboro 2.50 mi.

Take the ramp on the right at exit 50B to US-322 W toward Richwood / Mullica Hill 0.27 mi.

Continue forward on Mullica Hill Rd 0.48 mi. Turn left on Harrisonville Rd 2.10 mi. Continue forward on Fislerville Rd 1.63 mi. Turn left on Commissioners Rd 1.67 mi.

Turn right on Ferrell Rd 1.04 mi.

3:50 PM 54 FERRELL ROAD

LEGAL NOTICE

The School Business Administrator/Board Secretary of the South Harrison Township Board of Education, in the County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey, by authority of said Board, solicits sealed bids for student transportation. Bids to be received at the Business Office of the Logan Township Board of Education, located at 110 School Lane, Logan Township, NJ 08085 up to 11:00am prevailing time on May 9, 2025.

STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

2025-2026 School Year

Bid Number(s) SHES2025-1

Specifications are available upon request at the Business Office of the Logan Township Board of Education, located at 110 School Lane, Logan Township, NJ 08085.

All bids must be submitted on the bid form contained in the specifications. Bids which are not submitted on such form may be rejected.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A 10: 5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27 Affirmative Action.

The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

By order of the South Harrison Township Board of Education

School Business Administrator

DATE: April 28, 2025

STATEMENT OF ASSURANCE

OMNIBUS TRANSPORTATION EMPLOYEE TESTING ACT COMPLIANCE

(To accompany bid)

The following firm	
is currently under contract	
will be contracted with	
to provide a controlled substance testing program to our con Testing Act:	mpany as required by the Omnibus Transportation Employee
Name of Firm:	
Address:	
Contact Person:	
Telephone:	
Authorized Bidder's Name and Title	
(Print or Type)	
Authorized Signature	
Company Name	
Address	

STATEMENT OF ASSURANCE

SCHOOL BUS DRIVER ANNUAL CERTIFICATION TO THE EXECUTIVE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

(To accompany bid)

I certify compliance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 18A:39-17 through 20 governing criminal history background checks, and shall annually submit required documents to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools on or before August 31 or upon employment for newly hired drivers.				
I also certify that prior to assigning a newly hired, currently approved school bus driver to a bus route, a school bus driver transmittal form is completed and submitted to the New Jersey Department of Education Criminal History Review Unit.				
Authorized Bidder's Name and Title				
(Print or Type) Authorized Signature				
Company Name				

Address



STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY DIVISION OF PURCHASE AND PROPERTY

33 WEST STATE STREET, P.O. BOX 230 TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625-0230

DISCLOSURE OF INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN FORM

BID SOLICITATION #:	VENDOR/BIDDER:			
PART 1 CERTIFICATION VENDOR/BIDDER MUST COMPLETE PART 1 BY CHECKING ONE OF THE BOXES FAILURE TO CHECK ONE OF THE BOXES WILL RENDER THE PROPOSAL NON-RESPONSIVE Pursuant to Public Law 2012, c. 25, any person or entity that submits a bid or proposal or otherwise proposes to enter into or renew a contract must complete the certification below to attest, under penalty of perjury, that neither the person nor entity, nor any of its parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates, is identified on the Department of the Treasury's Chapter 25 list as a person or entity engaged in investment activities in Iran. The Chapter 25 list is found on the Division's website at http://www.state.ni.us/treasury/purchase/pdf/Chapter25List.pdf . Vendors/Bidders must review this list prior to completing the below certification. Failure to complete the certification will render a Vendor's/Bidder's proposal non-responsive. If the Director of the Division of Purchase and Property finds a person or entity to be in violation of the law, s/he shall take action as may be appropriate and provided by law, rule or contract, including but not limited to, imposing sanctions, seeking compliance, recovering damages, declaring the party in default and seeking debarment or suspension of the party. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX A. I certify, pursuant to Public Law 2012, c. 25, that neither the Vendor/Bidder listed above nor any of its parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates is listed on the N.J. Department of the Treasury's list of entities determined to be engaged in prohibited activities in Iran pursuant to P.L. 2012, c. 25 ("Chapter 25 List"). Disregard Part 2 and complete and sign the Certification below. B. I am unable to certify as above because the Vendor/Bidder and/or one or more of its parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates is listed on the Department's Chapter 25 list. I will provide a detailed, accurate and precise description of the activities in Part 2 below and sign and complete t				
	PART 2			
PLEASE PROVIDE ADDITION	AL INFORMATION RELATED TO INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN			
If you checked Box "B" above, provide a detaile subsidiaries or affiliates, engaged in the investment ENTITY NAME: RELATIONSHIP TO VENDOR/BIDDER: DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES: DURATION OF ENGAGEMENT: ANTICIPATED CESSATION DATE: VENDOR/BIDDER CONTACT NAME: VENDOR/BIDDER CONTACT PHONE No.: Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary.	d, accurate and precise description of the activities of the Vendor/Bidder, or one of its parents, activities in Iran by completing the boxes below.			
<u>CERTIFICATION</u>				
I, the undersigned, certify that I am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the Vendor/Bidder, that the foregoing information and any attachments hereto, to the best of my knowledge are true and complete. I acknowledge that the State of New Jersey is relying on the information contained herein, and that the Vendor/Bidder is under a continuing obligation from the date of this certification through the completion of any contract(s) with the State to notify the State in writing of any changes to the information contained herein; that I am aware that it is a criminal offense to make a false statement or misrepresentation in this certification. If I do so, I will be subject to criminal prosecution under the law, and it will constitute a material breach of my agreement(s) with the State, permitting the State to declare any contract(s) resulting from this certification void and unenforceable.				
Signature	Date			
Print Name and Title				

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PRESCRIBED FORM OF QUESTIONNAIRE

(To accompany bid)

SURETY BOND	
CORPORATE – Consent of Surety Attached PERSONAL – Consent of Surety Attached	
FAMILIARITY WITH CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT	
Have you read carefully the applicable New Jersey Statutes, regulations, procedures, the rules of the local board education pertaining to student transportation, the specifications upon the basis of which the accompanying bid submitted, and the contract which the successful bidder will be required to execute? Yes No	
EXPERIENCE OF BIDDER	
1. Have you had previous experience in school or other bus transportation?YesNo	
2. If yes, how many years experience?	
3. Briefly state the nature of this experience.	
Company Name	
Address	
Authorized Bidder's Name and Title(Print or Type)	
Authorized Signature	

CONSENT OF SURETY – PERSONAL BONDS

(To accompany the bid-if applicable)

Issued to	the Board of Education
On behal	f of, as contractor
Bid Date	Bid Number
	by agree to issue the required Personal Surety Bond for the transportation services to be provided by the award of y agreed upon contract between the referenced Board of Education and Contractor.
	Two Bondspersons Required (Please print or type.)
1	. Name
	Address
S	Address state location and value over all encumbrances thereon of real estate owned in the county of
_	Property Value \$
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	Bondsperson Signature
2	
	Address
S	Address state location and value over all encumbrances thereon of real estate owned in the county of
-	Property Value \$
Ι	Location
I	f you are providing a personal bond in any other school district, list all school districts in which you are bonding ontracts and the amount of the contracts bonded.
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	Randsperson Signature

STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE

N.J.S.A. 52:25 24.2 (P.L. 1977, c.33, as amended by P.L. 2016, c.43)

This statement shall be completed, certified to, and included with all bid and proposal submissions. Failure to submit the required information is cause for automatic rejection of the bid or proposal.

Name of Organization:			
Organization Address:			
Part I Check the box that represents the type of business Sole Proprietorship (skip Parts II and III, execute cer Non-Profit Corporation (skip Parts II and III, execute For-Profit Corporation (any type) ☐ Limited Liabi	tification in Part IV) e certification in Part IV)		
Partnership	☐ Limited Liability Partnership (LLP)		
Other (be specific):			
Part II			
more of its stock, of any class, or of all individua	of all stockholders in the corporation who own 10 percent or all partners in the partnership who own a 10 percent or greater liability company who own a 10 percent or greater interest E LIST BELOW IN THIS SECTION)		
OR			
No one stockholder in the corporation owns 10 percent or more of its stock, of any class, or no individual partner in the partnership owns a 10 percent or greater interest therein, or no member in the limited liability company owns a 10 percent or greater interest therein, as the case may be. (SKIP TO PART IV)			
(Please attach additional sheets if more space is needed):			
Name of Individual or Business Entity	Home Address (for Individuals) or Business Address		

Part III DISCLOSURE OF 10% OR GREATER OWNERSHIP IN THE STOCKHOLDERS, PARTNERS OR LLC MEMBERS LISTED IN PART II

If a bidder has a direct or indirect parent entity which is publicly traded, and any person holds a 10 percent or greater beneficial interest in the publicly traded parent entity as of the last annual federal Security and Exchange Commission (SEC) or foreign equivalent filing, ownership disclosure can be met by providing links to the website(s) containing the last annual filing(s) with the federal Securities and Exchange Commission (or foreign equivalent) that contain the name and address of each person holding a 10% or greater beneficial interest in the publicly traded parent entity, along with the relevant page numbers of the filing(s) that contain the information on each such person. Attach additional sheets if more space is needed.

Website (URL) containing the last annual SEC (or foreign equivalent) filing	Page #'s

Please list the names and addresses of each stockholder, partner or member owning a 10 percent or greater interest in any corresponding corporation, partnership and/or limited liability company (LLC) listed in Part II other than for any publicly traded parent entities referenced above. The disclosure shall be continued until names and addresses of every noncorporate stockholder, and individual partner, and member exceeding the 10 percent ownership criteria established pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2 has been listed. Attach additional sheets if more space is needed.

Stockholder/Partner/Member and Corresponding Entity Listed in Part II	Home Address (for Individuals) or Business Address

Part IV Certification

I, being duly sworn upon my oath, hereby represent that the foregoing information and any attachments thereto to the best of my knowledge are true and complete. I acknowledge: that I am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the bidder/proposer; that the <name of contracting unit> is relying on the information contained herein and that I am under a continuing obligation from the date of this certification through the completion of any contracts with <type of contracting unit> to notify the <type of contracting unit> in writing of any changes to the information contained herein; that I am aware that it is a criminal offense to make a false statement or misrepresentation in this certification, and if I do so, I am subject to criminal prosecution under the law and that it will constitute a material breach of my agreement(s) with the, permitting the <type of contracting unit> to declare any contract(s) resulting from this certification void and unenforceable.

Full Name (Print):	Title:	
Signature:	Date:	

Coordinated Transportation Services Agency Membership Form

(To accompany the bid – CTSA only)

BOARD OF EDUCATION	CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR	
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Agency Name		
Address		
Authorized Representative Name and Title	(Print or Type)	
Authorized Signature	(Time of Type)	

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION QUESTIONNAIRE

(To accompany bid)

COMP	PANY NAME				
1.	Our company has a federal Affirmative Action Plan approval.				
	YES NO				
	A. If yes, a copy of said approval shall be submitted to the board of education within seven (7) working days of the notice of intent to award the contract or the signing of the contract.				
2.	Our company has a New Jersey State Certificate of Approval.				
	YES NO				
	A. If yes, a copy of the New Jersey State Certificate shall be submitted to the board of education within seven (7) working days of the notice of intent to award the contract or the signing of the contract.				
3.	If you answered NO to both questions above, an Affirmative Action Employee Information Report (AA-302) will be mailed to you. Complete the form and forward it to the Affirmative Action Office, Department of Treasury, Division of Purchase & Property, Contract Compliance Audit Unit, EEO Monitoring Program P.O. Box 206, Trenton, NJ 08625. A copy shall be submitted to the board of education within seven (7) days of the notice of the intent to award the contract or the signing of the contract.				
I certify	y that the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge.				
AUTH	ORIZED BIDDER				
	(Print or Type)				
TITLE	DATE (Print or Type)				
	(11mt of 1ype)				
SIGNA	ATURE				

FORM OF NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT

(To accompany the bid)

STATE OF NEW JERSEY	, COUNTY OF		
I,	of the	,	,
	of the (ci	ty, town, borough)	
of	, in the County of	,	
State of	, of full age, being	duly sworn according to law on	
my oath depose and say tha	t:		
Proposal for the Student Tr said bidder has not, directly drafting these specifications connection with the above land made with full knowled Proposal and in the statement I further warrant that no per agreement or understanding	of the firm/agency of	executed the said Proposal with full rement, participated in any collusion taken any action in restraint of freed in said Proposal and in this affidaties upon the truth of the statements rarding the contract for the said proposal or retained to solicit or secutions are contingent fee, except be	authority to do so, that on, participated in see, competitive bidding in avit are true and correct, a contained in said spect.
Authorized Representative	- Name and Title (Print or Type)	Authorized Signature	
(N.J.S.A. 52:34-15)		Bid Number	
Subscribed and sworn before	re me this day of	, 20	
Notary Public of N (Seal)	ew Jersey		
My commission expires		, 20	

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BID SHEET

South Harrison Township Board of Education

Student Transportation Services

- Bids which do not include an adjustment amount will not be accepted.
- In the event bid submissions for a route cost result in a tie bid, the award shall be based on the lowest aide cost (if applicable). If there is no aide cost, or if that cost also results in a tie bid, the award shall be based on the lowest increase/decrease adjustment cost unless otherwise specified by the board.
- Alternate bids not solicited by the Board of Education will not be accepted.
- The following routes and aide (if applicable) are to be bid on a PER DIEM basis.
- Routes which require an aide are so indicated by an asterisk (*).

Bidder's Signature

I hereby submit the following bid(s) to transport students during the 2025-2026 school year in accordance with your advertisement, specifications and route description.

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<u>Route</u> <u>Number</u>	Route Cost	Increase/Decrease Adjustment Cost	Per Diem Per Aide Cost
SH-GIS*	\$	\$	\$
TOTAL PER DIEM BID \$	(Include route an	d aide costs, where applicable.)	
Bulk Bid – If I am award shall be applied to each ro		by the individual routes bid above, a applicable.	a% deduction
Contracts will be awarded	d on an individual or bulk	basis whichever is least costly to the	e board.
Bidder's Name	e (Print or Type)	Company Name	
	Company Address	s and Telephone Number	

Date