

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids for **Network Technical Services** for the Warren County School System, subject to the conditions contained herein, will be accepted by the Warren County Financial Management Committee at the Warren County Administrative Building, Office of the Finance Department, 201 Locust Street, Suite 2, McMinnville, Tennessee, 37110, up to but no later than 2:00 PM Central Time on Tuesday, December 3, 2024 at which time they will publicly opened and read.

No bids may be sent via e-mail or fax. **Bidders shall enclose two (2) copies of the bid and note the bid submitted (i.e. Warren County Schools Custodial Supplies Bid) on the outside of both the shipping envelope (FedEx, UPS, etc.) and the sealed bid envelope contained inside or the bid will not be opened.**

For bid specifications or more information regarding bids, please contact **Josh Thaxton, at 931-668-4022 ext. 11109 or via email at thaxtonj@warrenschoools.com or LaShay Johnson, at 931-473-2381 ext. 1006.** Copies of this bid are on file and may be obtained at the Warren County School's Administrative Offices or by accessing the website at www.warrenschoools.com or www.warrencountyttn.gov and clicking the link for current bids. Please write on envelope the name of the bid.

Employees of the selected contractor must have a sexual predator background check performed prior to entering any Warren County school grounds as per Tennessee Code Annotated Section 49-5-413.

The Warren County Financial Management Committee reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, to accept or reject any item thereon, to waive any irregularities in the bid or bidding and/or to abandon or postpone this project without any obligation to bidders. The Warren County Financial Management Committee will act as sole judge of the merit and qualifications of vendors and materials offered and accept whatever bid deemed to be in the best interest of Warren County. No bidder may withdraw their bid for a period of sixty (60) days after date set for opening of bids.

In case of tie bids, Warren County, Tennessee reserves the right to negotiate with bidders. By submission of this bid, the vendor agrees to all terms and condition stated therein.

Bids will be awarded accordingly as prescribed by law, which states "lowest and best." A Supreme Court ruling states that the discerning of best lies solely on those requesting the bid and not the bidder. No bidder may withdraw their bid for a period of sixty (60) days after date set of opening of the bids.

WARREN COUNTY FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
Justin Cotten, Finance Director
Terry Bell, County Executive

PUBLIC NOTICE TITLE VI OF THE 1964 CIVIL RIGHTS ACT

"No person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance."

Bids must be received by **2:00 PM Central Time on Tuesday, December 3, 2024** to be considered. Please return sealed bids to:

Warren County Financial Management Committee
C/O Warren County Finance Department
Warren County Administrative Office Building
201 Locust Street, Suite 2
McMinnville, Tennessee 37110

Pursuant to T.C.A. § 50-9-114, Warren County, Tennessee has adopted a Drug & Alcohol Testing Program and is required to include this information in our bid specifications. Warren County, Tennessee requires Alcohol and Controlled Substances testing for Safety-Sensitive Positions as required by the Federal Omnibus Transportation Employee Act of 1991 and related United States Department of Transportation rules and regulations set forth in 49 CFR Federal Regulations Parts 40 and 382. **BIDDERS MUST SUBMIT AN AFFIDAVIT THAT THE BIDDER OPERATES A DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING PROGRAM WITH REQUIREMENTS AT LEAST AS STRINGENT AS THAT OF THE PROGRAM OPERATED BY WARREN COUNTY, TENNESSEE.**

Nondiscrimination. Warren County School District complies with Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Equal Pay Act of 1973, Title IX (1972 Educational Amendments), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and the Americans with Disabilities Act, related regulations and all other state and federal anti-discrimination laws. WCSD also requires all contractors to comply with state and federal anti-discrimination law.

NETWORK TECHNICAL SERVICES BID SPECS

The Warren County Board of Education seeks bid proposals to provide technical assistance and support services that may include one or more, but not be limited to the following:

- Skyward Network Technical troubleshooting
- Experience with wiring connectivity troubleshooting
- Experience with creating a network with all computers logging into a domain with restrictions
- Windows Server troubleshooting
- Google and Microsoft Cloud Services
- Troubleshooting of educational server software district already has in place
- Switching, routing and firewall troubleshooting.
- Network security
- Network Hardware consulting

Bidders will have demonstrated successful experience in all areas identified above with emphasis on current and emerging technology trends in public K-12 education, specifically:

- On-site service
- Remote service
- Physical server and network systems
- Virtual server and network systems
- Maintaining wiring connectivity throughout the district
- Wireless Access Points and Controller
- Desktop, server and other device Operating Systems
- Google for Education Setup
- Office 365 Setup

Bidders will have demonstrated successful experience working together with school district personnel at all levels to rapidly identify needs and implement solutions.

Bidders will have demonstrated successful experience working together with other school district service providers, especially Internet Service Providers, hardware and software providers, to rapidly identify obscure problems and implement resolutions.

The Winning Bidder must be available for emergency service 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, and 365 days per year.

**Warren County Board of Education
Bid Tab**

Network Technical Services

Firm Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone Number _____

Print Name _____

Authorized Signature _____

E-mail address _____

Total price \$ _____

Travel time, if needed on site _____

Additional Comments: