



Rochester CUSD 3A

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Request for Proposal for School Bus Lease for ROCHESTER CUSD 3A

Rochester CUSD 3A will receive sealed Proposals for seven (7) 2025 new 77 Passenger Conventional School Buses equipped with Cummins Diesel Engines, Allison Transmissions, One Hundred Gallon Fuel Capacity, and Hydraulic Brakes and One (1) 2025 54+2 Passenger Lift Conventional School Bus, equipped with Cummins Diesel Engine, Allison Transmission, 100 Gallon Fuel Capacity, and Hydraulic Brakes. Proposals must include a three (3) camera system for all buses. Camera locations are Driver, front of the bus, and mid-bus. The proposal should include payments for all 8 buses on a 5 year lease. **MUST INCLUDE A 5 YEAR BUMPER TO BUMPER WARRANTY AND WARRANTY CERTIFICATES MUST BE INCLUDED EXPLAINING COVERAGE.** Optional equipment and optional 4 – year lease information may be considered. Delivery estimates must be July-August 2024. Proposers must provide an amortization schedule breaking interest and principal payments per bus per year.

The Rochester CUSD 3A will be trading in 12 current buses. The buses can be evaluated by setting an appointment with Dr. Kristopher Kahler prior to February 26th, 2024.

Proposal documents and bus specifications may be obtained free of charge by contacting:

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The deadline for proposals is 10:00 AM local time on March 1st, 2024. Vendors must submit fully executed proposals with all exceptions noted, with pictures, to the district office address listed above.

Sealed proposals will be opened and read aloud immediately following the due date and time. A proposal, if awarded, will be awarded at the Rochester Board Meeting on Wednesday, March 20, 2024. Proposals will be read as price per bus per year and total of five year lease including principal and interest.

Rochester CUSD 3A reserves the right to reject any or all proposals or to accept any proposal which in its judgment will be for the best interest of the district. Rochester CUSD 3A reserves the right to award the contract to the most responsible proposer, which may or may not be the lowest proposer. Responsible is defined by but not limited to: completeness of equipment specification and required warranty, reputation, experience, and service.

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