



**BVB 23-2409
Transportation Services**

**Addendum #1:
Questions**

- 1) What is the average number of vehicles currently contracted for this service?
2
- 2) The anticipated number of vehicles required for the 24-25 contract year?
2-4
- 3) Current contracts or pricing for this service?
We will not provide that information at this time.
- 4) Who is your current transportation provider?
Everdriven
- 5) Can you please provide a copy of the district's transportation agreement with the current vendor in addition to the certificate of insurance provided by your current vendor?
We will not provide current agreement. Please see sample contract attached to RFP. Final contract with winning proposer is subject to changes if needed.
- 6) Can you please provide samples of invoices from your current transportation provider?
We will not be providing sample invoices from current transportation provider
- 7) Can the vehicles list, contractor personnel and any other documentation be included in the appendices versus being part of the body of the BVB response?
Yes as long as its included we will accept it.
- 8) Can alternative student transportation (TCN and/or Transportation management companies) participate in this RFP opportunity or is it for the yellow bus only?
Yes, they can participate. Yellow Bus is not a requirement.
- 9) Are you currently paying price increases for Fuel surcharges?

No but we are willing to evaluate on a semiannual basis if necessary.

10) How many routes/vehicles are currently used to transport your students? What's the average number of students per vehicle?

2 vehicles and 1 student per vehicle

11) Do you currently transport any students in wheelchair-accessible vehicles? If so, how many vehicles are currently being used?

Not at this time

12) Do you require any special equipment to transport the students? Eg Safety vest (harness), Car seat, booster seat, buckle guard, partition... ect? What is the number of students who need such equipment based on the current contract?

It is possible Harness could be required but the district would purchase that equipment.

13) Can this bid be awarded to multiple vendors?

No, we are looking to award to one vendor.

14) What are the Insurance limits and requirements? The capacity of vehicles used by alternative student transportation companies is way smaller in comparison with the school yellow bus. Can the district make changes to the insurance limits and requirements to match what's required for alternative student transportation companies?

Please see BVB and sample contract for insurance requirements. Yellow school bus is not required for these services.

15) Do you have different bell schedules for your schools? Elementary, Middle, and High?

Yes

Elementary 7:45 a.m. to 2:10 p.m.

Middle 8:15 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.

High 8:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.

16) Will Rock Hill Schools accept alternate pricing templates?

Please fill out supplied pricing form. You may include additional information if necessary.

17) Is the District open to turnaround time of 48 hours for any new transportation request?

Yes

18) To help decrease the timeframe for routes to start when requested and to allow for more readily available vehicles during a time where school transporters are experiencing a national shortage, assuming all vehicles pass required vehicle safety & inspection checks, could vehicles up to 10 years old be utilized when needed?

Yes, vehicles up to 10 years old can be utilized.

19) Per letter C in section VIII (page 17), document states " This explanation shall include the project approach include... those responsibilities listed in the section V. However,

Section V references the District's Background. Did the district intend to state Section VI- Scope of work instead of Section V background?

Correct: this should have referenced section VI NOT section V.

20) Would the District be willing to amend the termination language in page 2 of the Contract Draft to include a thirty (30) day's written notice of default and the opportunity to remedy the violation or take steps to remedy the violation before termination of contract?

Yes, we are willing to amend in final Contract

21) Is the District open to amending section K, Indemnity?

No

22) Would the district consider including Force Majeure language such as: District shall excuse Contractor from performance if unable to provide transportation services in events such as pandemic, act of god, riots, etc.?

Yes, the district will add Force Majeure language to final contract.

23) Will the District consider minimal annual pricing adjustments to continuously enhance our services, as long as it is presented within thirty (30) days prior to contract renewal?

Yes, any pricing adjustments need to be agreed upon and signed off on when the yearly renewals are taking place.

24) Should the unlikely situation arise, how does the District negotiate disputes? Would the District be open to us a mutually agreed upon mediator?

Yes, we would be open to a mutually agreed upon mediator as long as it is no additional cost to the district.

25) Would the district allow us to provide a list of drivers and licensure information following contract award?

Yes

26) Would the district be open to using vehicles no older than 7 years of age?

Yes

27) Is the 12-hour turnaround for transportation a standard procedure for all of your MV students? If not, what is Rock Hill's expectation?

See response to question 17.

