



GARLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
Temporarily relocated to: 409 N. First Street
Garland, Texas 75042

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN (EMT) SERVICES
PROPOSAL # 70-23-01

Garland ISD offices will be closed October 10-14, 2022

PLEASE SUBMIT PROPOSAL NO LATER THAN 10:30 A.M. LOCAL TIME ON October 25, 2022. Mark the sealed return envelope in the lower left hand corner with PROPOSAL#, time, and due date, as noted above. (Should the district close for unforeseen reasons (force majeure) on the date the solicitation is due, the above referenced date should be changed to 10:30 A.M. the first date the district is open to conduct business)

You are invited to submit a Proposal to provide Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Services to the Garland Independent School District (GISD) from November 30, 2022 (or date of award) for a one (1) year period with four (4) annual renewal options.

This Proposal includes Instructions to Vendors, Award/Evaluation of Proposals, Certifications, Shipping and Delivery, Terms and Conditions, Specifications, Supplier Questionnaire and Required Forms. These provisions shall be considered as part of any resulting legal and binding contract/purchase order as if thereto attached or therein repeated.

THIS RFP WILL NOT BE OPENED OR READ PUBLICLY

DELIVERY DATE IS _____ Business Days ARO
 (After Receipt of Order)

 Company Name

 Address

 City

 State

 Zip

 Authorized Representative Name

 Title

 Signature

 Printed Name

 Email Address

 Telephone #

 Fax #

Mark A. Booker

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 Director of Purchasing

1. INSTRUCTIONS TO PROPOSERS

1.1 Submission of Proposals

1.1.1. CLARIFICATION OF SPECIFICATIONS

For clarification of the specification(s) of this Request for Proposal, proposers may contact: Misty Roberts, Buyer at Msrobert@garlandisd.net

The individual listed above may be contacted for clarification of specification(s) only. No authority is intended or implied that specification(s) may be amended or alternates accepted prior to opening without written approval of the Garland ISD Director of Purchasing.

1.1.2. SUBMITTING QUESTIONS

Suppliers finding errors, requests for additional information, omissions, or corrections shall contact the Purchasing Department Questions by submitting an email to bids@garlandisd.net and a copy to Msrobert@garlandisd.net no later than October 17, 2022 at 12:00 p.m.

1.1.3. ADDENDA

All addenda will be issued as amendments to the Bid(s). All addenda will be posted by October 19, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. It is the supplier's responsibility to check the district's website (<http://www.garlandisd.net/connect/do-business/current-opportunities>) and all electronic notifications for addendums prior to submitting responses.

PROCESS OVERVIEW: This section outlines the steps in the procurement process.

• 1 st Advertisement	• October 7, 2022
• 2 nd Advertisement	• October 11, 2022
• Deadline for Questions	• October 17, 2022 12:00 p.m.
• Addendum Issue Date	• October 19, 2022 4:00 p.m.
• Request for Proposal Due Date	• October 25, 2022 10:30 a.m.
• District Evaluation Period (Includes interviewing Selected Candidates, If necessary)	• October 25-31, 2022
• Board Approval	• N/A

1.1.4. NUMBER OF COPIES

PLEASE PROVIDE ONE (1) ORIGINAL AND ONE (1) COPY OF PROPOSAL RESPONSE! ENSURE THE ORIGINAL AND COPY ARE CLEARLY LABELED.

1.1.5. DELIVERY OF PROPOSAL

Delivery of proposals shall be in accordance with the procedures listed. Mark the sealed return envelope in the lower left-hand corner with RFP#, time, and due date. If assistance is required for proposal submission, you may call Purchasing at 972.487.3009 during normal operating hours.

Proposals submitted via Commercial Carriers (other than USPS) or hand delivered: Garland ISD Purchasing Department (*temporary relocation address*) 409 N. First Street, Garland, Texas 75040. Submission must be received in the Purchasing Department and date/time stamped before the deadline.

Proposals submitted via the U. S. Postal Service are to be mailed to:

Garland ISD Purchasing Department P. O. Box 469026, Garland, Texas 75046-9026

Clearly mark all Proposal envelopes as instructed on the front page. Allow sufficient transit time.

Delivery of submission to other Departments within the District is not considered as delivery to the Purchasing Department. The submission must be date/time stamped by Purchasing before the deadline.

1.1.6. SIGNED ORIGINAL

Once completed and signed, return your Proposal form to the Garland ISD Purchasing Department (as instructed above).

1.1.7. LATE SUBMISSIONS

Proposals received at the GISD Purchasing Department after the time and date specified above will not be considered and will be filed unopened. The Garland ISD shall not be held liable for late proposals.

1.1.8. OTHER FORMS OF SUBMISSION

Oral or telegraphic proposals transmitted via the District's facsimile machine are not acceptable. **DO NOT FAX OR EMAIL YOUR PROPOSALS. Only forms provided by the Garland ISD Purchasing Department may be submitted with this proposal unless written instructions permit additional pages.**

1.1.9. AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

Proposals must be signed by an authorized individual to contractually bind their firm when submitting the Proposal. Failure to sign the Proposal will be considered as a "mistake in Proposal", and the Proposal will be rejected as "non-responsive".

1.1.10. NUMBER OF PAGES

All pages of this Request for Proposal are to be returned with your proposal. Proposer shall contact the Purchasing Department if discrepancies exist.

1.1.11. FORMAT FOR PRICING

All prices must be typed or written in ink on the appropriate specification/pricing form(s). Proposals written in pencil will not be accepted. Changes may be crossed through and corrections inserted adjacent and initialed by the person preparing the Proposal. Should errors in multiplication or addition of a unit price against a total price occur, the unit price shall govern. All pricing proposed for products and/or services shall constitute entire consideration due.

1.1.12. WITHDRAWING PROPOSALS

No Proposal may be withdrawn prior to opening of proposals without written request (addressed to the Garland ISD Director of Purchasing) by an authorized agent of the proposing firm and upon written approval by the District. Proposals become the property of Garland ISD upon receipt.

1.1.13. DISTRICT LIST OF PROPOSERS

The District's list of prospective proposers is being updated. To remain on Proposal lists you must either submit a proposal or return this Request for Proposal marked "NO PROPOSAL". Failure to follow this procedure will result in your firm being removed from the mailing list!

1.1.14. PROPOSAL TABULATIONS

Proposers desiring a Proposal tabulation sheet resulting from this Request For Proposal may visit our web site at <http://www.garlandisd.net/connect/do-business/Proposal-tabulations>. The tabulations will be posted once the GISD Board of Trustees has approved the contract. If you are unable to download the information, please contact the Purchasing Department at 972-487-3009 and we will forward you a copy via email.

1.1.15. DEVIATIONS

Any and all deviations to this competitive solicitation proposed by the Proposal must be listed on the Compliance Form, not on a cover letter, catalog, etc.

1.1.16. PUBLIC INFORMATION

Garland Independent School District is a public entity subject to the provisions of the Texas Public Information Act (Texas Government Code Chapter 552). Responses to this invitation may be subject to release as public information unless the response or specific parts of the response are accepted from public disclosure under such Act. Proposers should consult with their legal counsel regarding disclosure issues and take the appropriate precautions to safeguard trade secrets or any other confidential or proprietary information before responding to this invitation. The District assumes no liability or responsibility for release of any information not properly identified and documented in accordance with the enclosed Confidential Information Declaration & Copyright Authorization Form. The District assumes no liability or responsibility for release of any information that the Texas Attorney General or a court of law determines to be subject to release.

1.1.17. COPYRIGHT PROTECTION

Proposals asserted to be copyright protected in their entirety may, in the District's sole discretion, be rejected as non-conforming. Proposers who submit copyrighted materials as part of their Proposal must review and complete the Confidential Information Declaration & Copyright Authorization Form. Proposers submitting copyrighted materials should consult with their legal counsel regarding copyright and disclosure issues. By submitting copyrighted materials and completing the Confidential Information Declaration and Copyright Authorization Form, proposers grant the District authorization to reproduce and provide copies of such information and agree to waive any and all claims against the District regarding the release of such copyrighted information including, but not limited to, any claim of copyright infringement when released in response to a valid request for information under the Texas Public Information Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 552. In the event a

proposer is unable to grant such authorization and waiver, copyrighted materials must not be included in the Proposal.

1.1.18. POST-SUBMISSION CHANGES

A proposal that has been opened may not be changed for the purpose of correcting an error in the proposed price. Proposers submitting an erroneous proposed price may be given the option of either honoring the price as proposed or withdrawing the (erroneous) proposal [Local Government Code Subchapter B, Sec. 271.026].

1.2 Award/Evaluation of Proposals

1.2.1. WAIVING INFORMALITIES

The Garland Independent School District Board of Trustees reserves the right to accept or reject all or any part of any proposal, waive minor proposal formalities/technicalities and award the proposal deemed to be most advantageous to the District.

1.2.2. PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS

The Garland ISD shall not award a governmental contract to a proposer whose principal place of business is not in Texas, unless the nonresident under prices the lowest proposal submitted by a responsible resident proposer by an amount that is not less than the amount by which a resident Proposer would be required to under price a nonresident proposer to obtain a comparable contract in the state in which the nonresident's principal place of business is located. [This requirement does not apply to a contract involving federal funds.]; Texas Government Code, Title 10, Section 2252.002.

1.2.3. MULTIPLE AWARDS

The District reserves the right to award to a single vendor, multiple vendors, each line item separately or in any combination it determines to be in its best interest. Proposals shall cover the entire program as described herein. Proposers shall also include copies of any contracts/agreements required (by the proposing firm) and clearly identify/label it as such.

1.2.4. TIE PROPOSALS/EVALUATION FACTORS

Tie proposals, which are **equal in all respects**, shall be resolved and awarded in accordance with Local Government Code (Texas) Para. 271.901. Otherwise proposals, which reflect a tie in price, only may be awarded pursuant to the permissible factors listed in Texas Education Code, Subchapter B, Sec. 44.031(b) and set forth below:

1. the purchase price;
2. the reputation of the vendor and of the vendor's goods or services;
3. the quality of the vendor's goods or services;
4. the extent to which the goods or services meet the district's needs;
5. the vendor's past relationship with the district;
6. the impact on the ability of the district to comply with laws and rules relating to historically underutilized businesses;
7. the total long-term cost to the district to acquire the vendor's goods or services; [and]

8. for a contract for goods and services, other than goods and services related to telecommunications and information services, building construction and maintenance, or instructional materials, whether the vendor or the vendor's ultimate parent company or majority owner:
 - a. has its principal place of business in this state; or
 - b. employs at least 500 persons in this state; and
9. **Per Texas Education Code, Subchapter B, Sec. 44.031(b) *ALL CONTENTS PROVIDED IN THIS SOLICITATION, WILL BE CONSIDERED AS AN EVALUATION FACTOR!**
10. In compliance with the provisions of Texas Government Code, Title 10, Subtitle D, Section 2155.074, Section 2155.075, Section 2156.007, Section 2157.003 and Section 2157.125, and Texas Administrative Code, Title 1, Chapter 113.6, information obtained from the Texas Building and Procurement Commission's Proposer Performance Tracking System may be used in evaluating responses to solicitations for goods and services to determine the best value for the Garland Independent School District.
www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/vendor_performance

1.2.5. BOARD OF TRUSTEE APPROVAL

Proposal results will be presented to the GISD Board of Trustees for consideration (if total amount awarded exceeds \$75,000) at the earliest opportunity following the official opening date.

1.2.6. FELONY CONVICTIONS

Upon notification of potential selections for award, the person or entity submitting this proposal must give notice to the district if the person or an owner or operator of the business entity has been convicted of a felony. The notice must include a general description of the conduct resulting in this conviction of a felony (this requirement does not apply to a publicly held corporation).

1.2.7. ALTERNATE AWARDS

The District awards contracts to vendors as an alternate in case the primary vendor is unable to fulfill the contractual obligations as stated in the specifications/terms and conditions.

CONTRACT VALUE

The estimated annual value of this contract is **\$74,999**; However, this value reflects the District's estimated current requirements for one year (or time frame as otherwise specified).

1.2.8 PRICE ESCALATION PROVISIONS

The District may elect to place several orders during the term of this Request for Proposal. Proposers must specify minimum order quantities – if any – and are required to hold proposed prices **for one year** from date of award. After this time, proposed increases may be submitted in writing for approval. Proof of change in market conditions must accompany a request for price increase. Any price increase request is subject to Purchasing Department review and approval.

1.2.9. PROTEST PROCEDURE

Any proposer who is aggrieved in connection with a procurement, excepting right of rejection, may protest in accordance with [Garland ISD Board of Trustees Policy CJ Local](#).

2. CERTIFICATIONS

2.1. CERTIFICATION AFFIRMATIONS

By signing this Request for Proposal, the signed proposer affirms and certifies that its company, corporation, firm, partnership or individual's response to this proposal is in all respects compliant with all provisions in this section.

2.1.1. ANTI-COLLUSION AND FRAUD

Proposer affirms that its company, corporation, firm, partnership or individual's response to this proposal is in all respects bona fide, fair and was not made with collusion or fraud with any person, joint venture, partnership, corporation or other legal entity engaged in this type of business prior to the official opening of this proposal.

2.1.2. DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION (Executive Orders 12549 and 12689)

A contract award (see 2 CFR 180.220) must not be made to parties listed on the government wide Excluded Parties List System in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 CFR 180 that implement Executive Orders 12549 (3 CFR Part 1986 Comp., p. 189) and 12689 (3 CFR Part 1989 Comp., p. 235), "Debarment and Suspension." The Excluded Parties List System in SAM contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549. Proposer certifies that the individual and/or firm on whose behalf this proposal is submitted is not listed on the Federal Government's excluded parties list (SAM).

2.1.3. COPYRIGHT AND PATENT LAWS

Proposer hereby certifies that it (or its firm hereby represented) is legally authorized to conduct business in Texas and has complied with any and all federal, state, or other laws or regulations applicable to any purchase resulting from this Request for Proposal, including, but not limited to, copyright and/or patent laws and anti-collusion law.

2.1.4. SOLE SOURCE

If the proposer professes to be the exclusive source of the item(s) or service(s) requested herein, the proposer must provide with its proposal a written statement to the fact that the sole source is due to one or more of the following (as applicable): a patent, copyright, secret process, or monopoly; a film, manuscript, or book; a utility service (electricity, gas, or water); or a captive replacement part or component for equipment. Such statements must be signed by the owner or corporate official of the firm submitting this proposal and must be notarized. This declaration shall not exempt the proposer from signing and submitting a signed proposal.

2.1.5. PUBLIC INFORMATION

By submitting a response to this request, proposer represents that it is in compliance with the requirements of Chapter 176 of the Texas Local Government Code,

Disclosure of Certain Relationships with Local Government Officers; Providing Public Access to Certain Information. A list of local government Officers may be obtained at <http://www.garlandisd.net/content/conflict-disclosure>. Failure to comply with this provision may result in the bid being considered non-responsive.

2.1.6. FUNDING AGREEMENTS

Proposer certifies that if the Federal award meets the definition of “funding agreement” under 37 CFR § 401.2 (a) and the recipient or sub-recipient wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that “funding agreement,” the recipient or sub-recipient must comply with the requirements of 37 CFR Part 401, “Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements,” and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency.

2.1.7. CLEAN AIR AND WATER POLLUTION ACT

Proposer certifies that it is in compliance with the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387), as amended.

2.1.8. ENERGY POLICY AND CONSERVATION ACT

Proposer hereby certifies that it (or its firm hereby represented) that it is compliant with Certification of Compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act - When federal Funds are expended by Garland ISD for any contract resulting from this procurement process, the Supplier certifies that the Supplier will be in compliance with mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6321, et seq.; 49 C.F.R. Part 18).

2.1.9. RECORD RETENTION REQUIRMENTS

Proposer certifies that it will comply with the record retention requirements detailed in 2 CFR § 200.333 for a period of three years after grantees or sub-grantees submit final expenditure reports or quarterly or annual financial reports, as applicable, and all other depending matters.

2.1.10. BYRD ANTI-LOBBYING REQUIREMENTS

Proposer certifies no Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of a Federal contract, the making of a Federal grant, the making of a Federal loan, the entering into a cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement imposed by section 1352, Title 31, U.S. Code.

If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal grant or cooperative agreement, the proposer shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, “Disclosure

of Lobbying Activities,” in accordance with its instructions
<https://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/omb/grants/sfllin.pdf>

2.1.11. FOREIGN TERRORIST ORGANIZATIONAL LIST

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter 2252, Company certifies that it is not a company identified on the on a list prepared and maintained pursuant to Texas Government Code § 806.051, 807.051, or 2252.153 (“Foreign Terrorist Organization List”). In the event that Company is added to a Foreign Terrorist Organization List at any time during this Agreement, Company shall promptly provide notice to School. Garland ISD may terminate this Agreement immediately upon receipt and verification of information, by any means, that Company has been added to a Foreign Terrorist Organization List.

2.1.12. BOYCOTT ISRAEL

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter 2270, Company certifies that it does not boycott (as defined in Texas Government Code Chapter 808) Israel and will not boycott Israel during the term of this Agreement with the Garland ISD.

2.1.13. PROHIBITED TRANSACTION

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter 2273, the District is prohibited from contracting with any abortion provider or an affiliate of an abortion provider whereby the provider or affiliate receives something of value derived from state or local tax revenue. Any contract entered into by the District is void if the prospective vendor has such a prohibited affiliation or contractual relationship. By submitting a proposal in response to the Request for Proposal, you are certifying to the District that you do not have such an affiliation or contractual relationship.

2.1.14. LONE STAR INFRASTRUCTURE PROTECTION ACT

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter 2274, with regard to contracts relating to critical infrastructure (including cybersecurity), Company certifies it is not owned or controlled by citizens of China, Iran, North Korea, Russia, or any other country designated by the Governor as a threat to critical infrastructure, or by companies or governmental entity owned or controlled by citizens of or headquartered in China, Iran, North Korea, Russia, or any other country designated by the Governor as a threat to critical infrastructure.

2.1.15. FIREARM INDUSTRY

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter 2274.002 (SB 19), a governmental entity may not enter into a contract with a company for the purchase of goods or services unless the contract contains a written verification from the company that it: does not have a practice, policy, guidance, or directive that discriminates against a firearm entity or firearm trade association; and will not discriminate during the term of the contract against a firearm entity or firearm trade association. This provision is only applicable to a company with at least 10 full-time employees and a contract value of \$100,000 or greater. Executing this agreement is considered written verification that your company is in compliance with the law.

TEXAS HOUSE BILL 1295, CERTIFICATE OF INTERESTED PARTIES

If the individual contract/award exceeds \$1,000,000 or goes to the Board of Trustees, the person or entity submitting this proposal must comply with House Bill 1295 which is codified in the Texas Government Code §2252.908 effective January 1, 2016, by submitting a completed and signed Form 1295, Certificate of Interested

Parties within 10 days after notification of intent to award. The appropriate form and additional information is available from the Texas Ethics commission at www.ethics.state.tx.us/index.html.

3. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

3.1. PURCHASE ORDERS AND CONFIRMATION

The Garland Independent School District will email purchase orders in lieu of facsimile transmission. In addition to purchase orders, all solicitation notices, and award notifications will be communicated by email.

Purchase Orders will serve as the award instrument(s) against this Request for Proposal. Orders will be placed as items are approved for purchase and funds become available.

Proposers who require the use of a separate contract document, must incorporate the terms and conditions of this Request for Proposal into the document. **Proposer agrees to provide a copy of the sample contract document in Section 6.0 Form of Contract.**

3.2. CHANGE ORDERS

The District and District's representative, without invalidating the contract, may make changes by altering, adding to, or deducting from the Purchase Order; the contract sum being adjusted accordingly. No extra work or change shall be made unless in pursuance of a written order from the District and any claim for an addition to the contract sum will not be valid unless so ordered. Changes and amendments will be communicated by sending a copy of the purchase order.

IT IS THE PROPOSER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO TRACK PURCHASE ORDER NUMBER(S) & APPLICABLE REVISIONS. DOUBLE SHIPMENTS INCURRED WILL BE RETURNED AT THE VENDOR'S EXPENSE.

3.3. PAYMENTS VIA ACH

Garland ISD will make all payments via ACH. Awarded supplier will be required to submit banking information on a form provided by the district at: <http://www.garlandisd.net/content/how-do-business-us>. Payment will be made within 30 days after the later of, receipt of goods/services and a properly submitted invoice. The district considers an invoice properly submitted when the following conditions are met:

- 3.3.1. Invoice is received at the address indicated on the purchase order
- 3.3.2. Pricing on the invoice matches the price on the purchase order
- 3.3.3. Include a description of the goods or services furnished, the purchase order number, invoice number and any applicable cash discount.
- 3.3.4. Quantities on the invoice do not exceed those specified on the Purchase Order
- 3.3.5. Unique invoice number used for each billing
- 3.3.6. Merchandise has been received.

3.3.7. Description of goods and services, and unit of measure, on the invoice, shall match the description on the Purchase Order.

NOTE: Awarded Companies are expected to ship goods and/or perform services in the same week in which they are invoiced. Invoicing procedures for each awarded company will be incorporated into the proposer's performance rating.

3.4. CHANGING QUANTITIES

Quantities may be increased or decreased at the discretion of the District.

***Quantities listed herein are best estimates only and cannot be guaranteed.**

3.5. NO SMOKING POLICY

No smoking or use of any tobacco products is permitted on school property.

3.6. CHOICE OF LAW/VENUE

This Request for Proposal and any resulting award(s) shall be interpreted within the laws of the State of Texas and the Uniform Commercial Code (UCC). In case of discrepancies between the laws of the state of Texas and the UCC, the laws of Texas will prevail. Venue for any legal action filed relative to this Request for Proposal or any resulting purchase orders shall be in Dallas County, Texas.

3.7. INVALID PROVISIONS

In the event that any one or more of the provisions contained in this Request For Proposal (or resulting purchase order) shall be held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, such provisions shall not affect any other provision hereof, and this Request For Proposal (or any resulting purchase order) shall be construed as if the invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision(s) had never been contained herein.

3.8. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDING

Garland ISD's fiscal year is September 1 through August 31. Funds are available for the current fiscal year only. Should the Garland ISD Board of Trustees not approve funds for this service, any contract resulting from this Request for Proposal will automatically terminate on the last day of the school fiscal year for which funds have been appropriated at no further cost or obligation to the District.

3.9. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

It is understood that in the performance of any services herein provided, for Contractor shall be, and is, an independent contractor, and is not an agent or employee of the District and shall furnish such services in its own manner and method, except as required by this contract. Further, Contractor has, and shall retain the right to exercise full control over the employment, direction, compensation, and discharge of all persons employed by Contractor in the performance of the services hereunder. Contractor shall be solely responsible for, and shall indemnify, defend, and save the District harmless, from all matters relating to the payment of its employees, including compliance with Social Security, withholding, and all other wages, salaries, benefits, taxes, exactions, and regulations of any nature whatsoever.

3.10. CANCELLATION FOR CONVENIENCE

The Garland Independent School District reserves the right to cancel any contract (purchase order) resulting from this Request for Proposal at any time, for any reason (or for no reason) with a thirty (30) day written notice to the contractor(s). Contractor may cancel any resulting contract, at any time for any reason, or for no reason with a sixty (60) day written notice.

Any notice required or permitted to be delivered to the contractor(s) shall be deemed to be delivered when mailed by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, and addressed to the bidder's address appearing on the face of the Request for Proposal (or as subsequently revised or changed). Any compensation due the contractor(s) will be limited to items received and/or services performed and accepted by the District.

3.11. CANCELLATION FOR CAUSE

District shall have all remedies available at law or in equity. Where the Supplier is in default in delivery or otherwise, or has breached any terms or conditions of this contract. Garland ISD may terminate this contract in whole or in part without any adjustment, and in addition to any other remedy provided by law, may procure items or services, similar to those as to which this contract is terminated, and Supplier shall be liable to Garland ISD for any costs or such similar items or services in excess of the price or prices specified herein, provided, however, that Supplier shall continue the performance of this contract to the extent not terminated by the Garland ISD.

3.12. AGREEMENT BETWEEN PARTIES

The Contract Document consisting of the purchase order(s) and the Specifications or any documents attached thereto or expressly incorporated therein constitute the entire agreement between the parties hereto with respect to the matters covered thereby. All prior negotiation representation and agreements, with respect thereto not incorporated in such Contract Documents, are hereby cancelled. This Agreement can be modified or amended only by a document duly executed on behalf of the parties hereto.

3.13. HOLD HARMLESS

TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, SUPPLIER AND ITS AGENTS, PARTNERS, EMPLOYEES, AND CONSULTANTS (COLLECTIVELY "INDEMNITORS") SHALL AND DO AGREE TO INDEMNIFY, PROTECT, DEFEND WITH COUNSEL APPROVED BY DISTRICT, AND HOLD HARMLESS THE DISTRICT, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE DISTRICT, AND ITS MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, ADMINISTRATORS, OTHER EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS (COLLECTIVELY "INDEMNITEES") FROM AND AGAINST ALL CLAIMS, DAMAGES, LOSSES, LIENS, CAUSES OF ACTION, SUITS, JUDGMENTS AND EXPENSES, INCLUDING ATTORNEY FEES, OF ANY NATURE, KIND, OR DESCRIPTION (COLLECTIVELY "LIABILITIES") OF ANY PERSON OR ENTITY WHOMSOEVER ARISING OUT OF, CAUSED BY, OR RESULTING FROM THE PERFORMANCE OF SERVICES, OR PROVISION OF GOODS, BY VENDOR PURSUANT TO THIS CONTRACT, OR ANY PART THEREOF, OR ANYONE FOR WHOSE ACTS IT MAY BE LIABLE EVEN IF IT IS CAUSED IN PART BY THE NEGLIGENCE OR OMISSION OF ANY INDEMNITEE, SO LONG AS IT IS NOT CAUSED BY THE SOLE NEGLIGENCE OR WILLFUL MISCONDUCT OF ANY INDEMNITEE.

3.14. AUDITING CONTRACT

Upon request by Garland ISD or Comptroller General of the United States, any duly authorized representative of Garland ISD shall, until three (3) years after final payment under this Agreement, have access to and right to examine directly pertinent books, papers, documents, accounts, and records of Seller involving transactions related to this Agreement and to examine Seller's place of business as necessary to determine whether the terms of this Agreement are being carried out. This audit will be conducted at a location where those

business documents are being held at the time of the audit request. Seller shall be required to maintain such records for three years after final payment.

3.15. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

Garland ISD shall have all remedies available at law or in equity to include reimbursement of attorneys' fees and all costs incurred in enforcing such rights. No modification of limitation of remedy shall be a part of this contract unless specifically agreed to in writing by Garland ISD's Purchasing Department.

3.16. AUTHORIZED NEGOTIATORS

Designated GISD Purchasing Department personnel are the only individuals allowed to negotiate contract agreements/terms & conditions and/or pricing before an award is made as well as after an award has been made. Firms hereby agree that any negotiations regarding this RFP pertaining to agreements/terms & conditions and/or pricing shall be between proposing firm and the Purchasing Department ONLY throughout the term of the contract.

3.17. E-COMMERCE PARTNER

Garland ISD has implemented an Oracle iSupplier module and will require the successful supplier to utilize this application. iSupplier is a collaborative application that enables Garland ISD and the supplier to communicate. The system enables suppliers to have real-time access, through a standard internet browser, to information such as bids, purchase orders, invoice status, payments, and respond to Garland ISD with order acknowledgments and change requests. Oracle also allows the supplier to input invoices through the portal if permitted by Garland ISD.

iSupplier is provided free to suppliers. Additional information regarding this Oracle application can be obtained at

<http://www.oracle.com/us/products/applications/ebusiness/procurement/index.html>.

3.18. FORCE MAJEURE

Neither party shall be liable for delay in delivery or performance or for failure to give notice of delay when such delay is due to factors beyond its control, including, but not limited to, fires, strikes, explosions, governmental regulations, court orders or decrees, or acts of nature such as flood, wind, earthquake, tornado or hurricane. If the Proposer is unable to perform any of its obligations as a result of force majeure, proposer shall immediately give written notice to the District of the date of inception of the force majeure condition and the extent to which it will affect performance.

3.19. TEXAS HOUSE BILL 1295, CERTIFICATE OF INTERESTED PARTIES

If the individual contract/award exceeds \$1,000,000 or goes to the Board of Trustees, the person or entity submitting this proposal must comply with House Bill 1295 which is codified in the Texas Government Code §2252.908 effective January 1, 2016, by submitting a completed and signed Form 1295, Certificate of Interested Parties within 10 days after notification of intent to award. The appropriate form and additional information is available from the Texas Ethics commission at www.ethics.state.tx.us/index.html.

END OF SECTION

**GARLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
PROPOSAL FORM/SPECIFICATION (Page 1)
COMPANY NAME: _____**

SCOPE OF SERVICES:

The Garland Independent School District (GISD) is hereby soliciting proposals for independent contractors/EMT (Emergency Medical Technician) to perform emergency services as needed for district events. EMTs must hold a current EMT certification issued by the Texas Commission Health Department.

There are no set minimum or maximum number of hours, days, weeks, months or events for these services. The events, times and dates will vary over the duration of this contract. These services will be requested on an “**as-needed**” basis.

The GISD anticipates awarding to multiple contractors/EMT(s) who meet the qualifications listed herein and whose proposed price for services are within the district budgeted amounts. The multiple awards will also provide each district campus and department location the flexibility and convenience of utilizing services of available EMTs for multiple events throughout the school year as needed.

The GISD has currently estimated and budgeted \$74,999 annually for total contract amount which will consist of \$48.00 per hour for each EMT. Annual dollar amount mentioned above is only an estimate. Therefore, this estimate shall not be a guarantee of either minimum or maximum contract value since usage is dependent upon availability of district budget funds.

The Independent Contractor/EMT by signing and returning this request for proposal document agrees to the terms and conditions listed herein and will also provide herein their proposed contracted price for said services on page 16.

Please note, after evaluation and recommendation of submitted proposals by the Purchasing Department, the GISD Board of Trustees will meet to determine final approval for award of this RFP-Contract. At that time only will a separate **(Independent Contractor Agreement)** be forwarded to each awarded EMT
(See Exhibit A - **Sample Agreement** Pages 14 through 15).

EXHIBIT A

SAMPLE AGREEMENT FOR REVIEW ONLY

EMTs INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT

This agreement is made this _____ day of _____, 2022, by and between the Garland Independent School District (GISD) located at 501 S. Jupiter Road, Garland, TX 75042 and _____ (“EMT”) located at 1500 Highway 66, Garland, Texas 75040 (collectively referred to as the “Parties”).

EMT

The parties agree as follows:

This Agreement is for the purpose of engaging licensed EMTs/Paramedics to provide services as independent contractors at GISD events.

QUALIFICATIONS: EMT must hold a current EMT certification issued by the Texas health Department.

SERVICES: EMTs shall provide the following services:

Provide emergency response when needed.

EMT is responsible for providing all equipment and accessories required for the efficient provision of the above described services.

EXHIBIT A (Continued)

SAMPLE AGREEMENT FOR REVIEW ONLY

COMPENSATION: For the services provided, GISD will pay EMTs as indicated on Attachment A. Payment will be made based on hours actually worked under this Agreement. EMTs will submit a complete log of the time worked during the prior week, if any, to Supervising/EMT, who shall verify the accuracy of such log and submit same, together with a log for Supervisor/Scheduling Officer, to GISD. All EMTs are responsible for completing a W-9 prior to receiving the first payment. GISD will issue payment to each EMT within two weeks after receipt of each log (provided that a W-9 has been completed). The payment will either be mailed to the mailing address provided by each EMT on the W-9 or deposited directly into their bank account. Concerns or complaints by a EMT concerning any payments made or to be made by GISD, as well as concerns or complaints about any other matter concerning this Agreement, must be submitted to GISD in accordance with GISD Board Policy GF (LOCAL).

TAXES: All taxes on payments made to an EMT are the responsibility of such EMT. GISD will timely issue a form 1099 to every EMT to whom payment is made under this Agreement in any year.

CHANGES: Either party, without nullifying this Agreement, may request in writing to the other party to make changes or adjustments to this Agreement. Said changes and/or adjustments shall be set forth in writing pursuant to the Contract Agreement and shall be signed by both parties.

INSURANCE: Both parties understand and agree that EMT is an independent contractor and will *not* be covered by the District’s insurance policies, including but not limited to any liability policies, worker’s compensation policies, and/or medical insurance policies. EMTs shall make suitable provision for any insurance deemed necessary or useful by EMT.

TERM: This Agreement is effective for one (1) year commencing the 30th day of November, 2022 and terminating the 30th day of November 2027.

TERMINATION: GISD may terminate this Agreement at any time, for any reason, upon thirty (30) days’ written notice.

GOVERNING LAW: Texas law shall govern this Agreement, and venue for any disputes arising hereunder shall be in Dallas County, Texas.

In witness whereof, the parties have executed this Agreement, the day and year first written above.

GARLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

SIGNATURE: _____

NAME: _____

POSITION: _____

DATE: _____

EMT NAME: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

**GARLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
COST PROPOSAL FORM**

The Garland Independent School District budgeted amount for each position is as follows:

EMTs/EMTs (1st year contract rate) \$48.00

Year 2-5 (Rate to be determined will be negotiated based on budgeted funds).

Please provide your hourly rate for the position(s) for which you are applying:

1. EMTs \$ _____/Hour

Compliance Form

An authorized company representative must sign this form to indicate compliance with the Sourcing Instruction Sheet, Instructions to Proposer, Award/Evaluation of Proposals, Certifications, Shipping and Delivery, Terms and Conditions and all other information contained in this solicitation. All **deviations** shall be listed on this page, with complete detailed conditions and information included or attached. The District will consider any deviations in its award decisions, and the District reserves the right to accept or reject any bid based upon any deviations indicated below or in any attachments or inclusions.

In the absence of any deviation entry on this form, the bidder assures the District of their full compliance with the Sourcing Instruction Sheet, Instructions to Proposer, Award/Evaluation of Proposals, Certifications, Shipping and Delivery, Terms and Conditions and all other information contained in this solicitation.

Please list deviations below (attach additional sheets, if needed):

Company Name

Address

City

State

Zip

Printed Name

Title

Signature

Email Address

Telephone #

Fax #

Certification for Criminal History Check
(In Compliance With Texas Education Code § 22.0834(A))

“Covered employee” - A “covered employee” is a person who is an employee, applicant, agent or Subcontractor of the Contractor or of any Subcontractor of the Contractor, if (a) the person has or will have work duties related to the Project that will be performed on District property or at another location on a regular or repeated basis, (b) students are regularly present at such location, and (c) the person will have verbal or physical interaction with, or be in direct proximity to, one or more students.

“Direct contact with students”-The contact that results from activities that provide substantial opportunity for verbal or physical interaction with students that is not supervised by a certified educator or other professional district employee. Contact with students that results from services that do not provide substantial [the] opportunity for unsupervised interaction with a [an individual] student or students, such as addressing an assembly, officiating a sports contest, or judging an extracurricular event, is not, by itself, direct contact with students. However, direct contact with students does result from any activity that provides substantial [the] opportunity for unsupervised contact with students, which might include [such as], without limitation, the provision of [individualized] coaching, tutoring, or other services to students.

“Disqualifying conviction” - A “disqualifying conviction” is a conviction of (a) any felony under the Texas Penal Code, (b) any offense for which the person is required to register as a sex offender under Chapter 62 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure, (c) any equivalent offense under the laws of the United States or any other state, (d) any offense against a child, (e) misdemeanor possession of a controlled substance within 10 years, (f) any weapon offense, (g) theft, larceny, fraud, issuance of a bad check, theft by check above the class C misdemeanor level, or more than one offense at the class C level, (h) forgery, (i) altering an Official Document, (j) perjury, or (k) securing executing of a document by deception.

On behalf of _____ (“Contractor”), I certify that [check one]:

None of Contractor’s employees are *covered employees*, as defined above. The service contractor shall also certify that it will take reasonable steps to ensure that the conditions or precautions that have resulted in a determination that any person is not a covered contract employee continue to exist throughout the time that the contracted services are provided.

Or

Some or all of Contractor’s employee are *covered employees*. If this box is selected, I further certify that:

- (1) Contractor has obtained all required criminal history record information, through the Texas Department of Public Safety, regarding its covered employees. None of the covered employees has a disqualifying conviction.
- (2) If Contractor receives information that a covered employee has a disqualifying conviction, Contractor will immediately remove the covered employee from contract duties and notify the District in writing within 3 business days that it has done so. Noncompliance by Contractor with this certification may be grounds for contract termination.

Signature

Title

Date

Confidential Information Declaration & Copyright Authorization Form

The bidder must stamp in bold red letters the term "CONFIDENTIAL" or "PROPRIETARY" on every page of any part of a bid that the bidder claims is confidential or proprietary. *Furnishing confidential or proprietary information is discouraged.* The District cannot guarantee that the District will be allowed to keep the information submitted confidential. The District may reject as non-conforming any bid that contains confidentiality claims that the District in its sole discretion considers vague or unreasonable.

All Invitations to Proposal and parts of bids that are not marked as confidential or proprietary will generally be considered public information once the contract is awarded. The District assumes no liability or responsibility for release of any information not properly marked. The District assumes no liability or responsibility for release of any information that is properly marked but is determined by the Texas Attorney General or a court of law to be subject to release. In the event that the District receives a request for disclosure of material marked "confidential" or "proprietary", the District may request a ruling from the Texas Attorney General concerning whether such material must be disclosed.

Proposals asserted to be copyright protected in their entirety are unacceptable and may, in the District's sole discretion, be disqualified as non-responsive. By submitting copyrighted materials as part of your bid, you hereby grant the District authorization to reproduce and provide copies of such information in response to a valid request for information under the Texas Public Information Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 552. By submitting copyrighted materials, you are representing that you have the authority to grant such authorization for the reproduction and release of such information. You further agree to waive any and all claims against the District regarding the release of such copyrighted information including, but not limited, to any claim of copyright infringement when released in response to a valid request for information under the Texas Public Information Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 552.

- Contents of this document are NOT considered Confidential or Proprietary
- Contents of this document ARE considered Confidential or Proprietary. Please identify the pages and/or sections declared Confidential or Proprietary by properly marking the pages &/or sections as confidential or proprietary and listing them below:

The undersigned affirms that the District assumes no liability/responsibility for the release of any information if this form is not properly completed, signed and the appropriate pages clearly marked as directed. The undersigned further grants authorization for the reproduction and release of any information asserted to be copyright protected in response to a request for information under the Texas Public Information Act, and waives any and all claims regarding the release of such information.

Printed Name

Signature

Title

Date

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

The Vendor shall purchase and maintain, in a company or companies licensed to do business in the State of Texas. Such insurance as will protect the Vendor and the District from claims set forth below, which may arise out of, or result from, the operations under the contract. The Vendor shall be a subscriber to the Texas Workers' Compensation Act for Workers' Compensation Insurance. The vendor shall file with the Director of Purchasing, before work is begun, certificates of such insurance which shall be subject to approval by the District as to the company providing insurance and the manner and adequacy of insurance protection. The Vendor shall, during the performance of this Agreement, keep in force the following insurance:

- a. Comprehensive General Liability*(CGL)
 - 1) Bodily Injury \$250,000 each person, \$500,000 each occurrence,
\$1,000,000 aggregate
 - 2) Personal Injury \$250,000 each person, \$500,000 each occurrence,
\$1,000,000 aggregate
 - 3) Property Damage \$500,000 each occurrence
- b. Comprehensive Automobile Liability*(CAL)
 - 1) Bodily Injury \$500,000 each person, \$500,000 each occurrence,
\$1,000,000 aggregate
 - 2) Property \$100,000 each occurrence
- c. Workers' Comp. (as a subscriber to the Act) Statutory (per benefits of Texas Workers' Comp. Act)
- d. Employer's Liability
 - 1) Each accident \$300,000
 - 2) Disease \$300,000
 - 3) Disease for each employee \$300,000

- *In the alternate, CGL and CAL insurance coverage a combined single limit policy of \$500,000 for both property damage and bodily injury may be provided with 1 million dollar aggregate. Vendors having unsupervised access to students must have a minimum of \$100,000 claim/\$300,000 aggregate coverage for sexual abuse and molestation endorsed to their General Liability.

The Vendor shall either: (1) require each of its sub-contractors to procure and to maintain during the life of the sub-contract, Sub-contractor's Workers' Compensation Insurance as a subscriber to the act, Comprehensive General Liability, Automobile Liability, and Property Damage Liability Insurance of the type and in the same amounts as specified above, or (2) insure the activity of its sub-contractors in its own policy(ies).

All such policies of insurance shall contain a provision that they shall not be cancelled or altered nor the amount of coverage reduced until at least thirty (30) days after notice of such cancellation, alteration, or reduction has been delivered to the District.

Such policies of insurance shall be written by companies authorized by the Texas Department of Insurance to conduct business in the state and shall be satisfactory to the District. Vendor shall not commence work under this Agreement until satisfactory evidence of such insurance has been delivered to, and approved by the District.

Self-Insurance: A vendor who self-insures for workers compensation must possess a Certificate of Authority to Self-insure issued by the Texas Workers Compensation Commission as a subscriber to the Workers' Compensation Act. By signing below, the bidder/prospective Vendor certifies that it possesses such certificate, and shall furnish a copy of the Certificate of Self Insurance with Bid Invitation.

The Certificate of Insurance must be presented prior to start of service. The policy must reflect Garland I.S.D. as "additional insured" or "co-insured". The amount of deductibles and self-insurance retention must be shown on Certificate of Insurance.

By initialing below, the bidder certifies that it is capable of providing the type(s) and coverage of insurance required. _____(Initials)

Company Name	Insured By:	Printed Name	Certificate Number
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