

## **Apple Devices**

**BID  
#256**

### **Background**

The Pearl Public School District is a premier school district in the heart of Mississippi. Its stakeholders include over 4300 students and their families, 530+ employees and the City of Pearl. Pearl School District is the pride of the community it serves and is consistently setting the bar for educational excellence.

Pearl Public School District has conducted intense research on providing every student with access to a computer device during the day. The Pearl Public School District Determined that the best device for grades 9 through 12 is an Apple Macbook device. The purpose of this bid is to procure a quantity of Apple devices and extended warranties.

### **Terminology**

Throughout this document, Pearl Public School District may be referenced as ‘the district’ or ‘PPSD’.

### **Contact Information**

All questions should be directed to Kevin W. Knuckles, Director of Technology. Mr. Knuckles may be contacted using the following contact information:

Phone: 601.933.9003

E-Mail: [kknuckles@pearl.k12.ms.us](mailto:kknuckles@pearl.k12.ms.us)

Questions that do not require a full addendum will be repeated and answered to all vendors.

### **Addendums**

If any addendums are needed they will be issued by the technology department. Each addendum will be numbered as follows:

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All qualified vendors will receive the addendum via e-mail. It is responsibility of the vendor to ensure they have all addendums before they submit their bid

### **Vendor Qualifications**

ALL vendors are required to meet the following requirements:

- Must be authorized to sell ALL products requested, including the necessary licenses.
- Must be authorized to sell proposed equipment by the equipment manufacturer of the products they represent. (Vendors may be asked to provide documentation showing authorization)

### **Funding/Financing**

Vendors should be aware that the district wishes to utilize a 3-Year Lease, terms to be negotiated, with the option to sell back and/or refresh hardware at the end of the lease term. The district reserves the option to renew the lease in one-year (1-year) increments.

In the event that a favorable lease cannot be negotiated, the district may opt to purchase this project in full.

### **Vendor Registration/Intent to Bid**

Vendors who are interested in bidding, must register their intent to bid at the following URL.

<https://tinyurl.com/ycv5fp6>

The purpose for intent to bid is to make sure all interested bidders receive updates to the RFP, Questions and Answers, as well as instructions for reverse auction.

### **Bid Submission**

Bid submission will be via Reverse Auction, conducted by the school district itself, in accordance with Mississippi Reverse Auction laws. **The auction will begin at 2:45 PM Central Time, on Wednesday, MAY 20, 2020.** This will be conducted via a Zoom or WebEx Meeting. All vendors, who have registered their intent to bid, will receive an invitation to the meeting. PPSD will utilize two other employees as spotters to assist with bid responses as they are received. Bidders may also attend the reverse auction in person and may call out their bid to the meeting host. Bids will be received through the chat function. A timer of 5 minutes will be given after each bid is received. The auction will last 15 minutes or until the bid timer runs out, whichever occurs first. At the completion of the auction, ALL vendors shall provide a copy of their bid. If a vendor is disqualified, the next lowest vendor bid will be considered. Bids shall be ALL INCLUSIVE of all costs necessary including the cost of the devices, warranties, support, and shipping

### **Right to Reject**

The PPSD Board of Trustees reserves the right to reject all bids and re-issue bid specs.

**General Requirements**

The district has developed the following requirements for Apple Macbook products.

**General Requirements – Apple Devices**

1. All units shall be new.
2. All units shall be silver in color
3. All units shall have a 3-year manufacturer warranty, to include accidental damage protection.

**Apple MacBook Air**

Specification Category	Minimum Spec
Screen Size	13.3" LED Backlit
Processor	Intel Core i5 1.8GHz dual-core
RAM	8GB
Internal Storage	128GB SSD
Wi-Fi Standard	802.11AC
Graphics	Intel HD
Additional Ports	Headphone/Mic Combo Jack, HDMI Port, 2 x USB-C/Thunderbolt
Webcam	720p Front Facing Webcam
Bluetooth	Version 4 or Higher
Speakers/Microphone	Integrated Stereo Speakers / Integrated Microphone

**QUANTITIES NEEDED**

Item	Qty
Apple Macbook Air	1,584

**SHIPPING INFO**

All units shall ship to the following address. If shipping on pallets, lift-gate service is required  
 Pearl Public School District Technology Department  
 3401 HWY 80 E  
 Pearl, MS 39208

**Attachment A**  
**Vendor Contact Sheet**

<b>Company Name</b>	
<b>Company Address</b>	
<b>Representative Name</b>	
<b>Representative E-Mail Address</b>	
<b>Representative Telephone #</b>	

By signing below, the vendor acknowledges that the prices listed in this bid packet are being bid for the Apple Devices Project.

Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_