

Regional School Unit 82
Maine School Administrative District No. 12



School Transportation Bid Request Information Packet

Contract Period
2023-2028

Official Bid Posting

2023 New Bid Notification

Student Busing Transportation

Posted October 4, 2022

RSU 82/MSAD 12 is seeking bids from responsible parties for the services outlined below. Please deliver bids in a sealed envelope marked "Transportation Bid" to the office of the Superintendent of Schools, 606 Main Street, Jackman, ME 04945 by 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 20, 2022. Bids may be for one year or for multiple years (not to exceed five years). Bids will be opened at the School Board meeting, Wednesday, December 21, 2022, 6:00 p.m. in the school library. RSU 82/MSAD 12 reserves the right to accept or reject any and all proposals.

A non-compulsory informational meeting will take place at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 2, 2022, at the RSU 82/MSAD 12 Superintendent's Office. At that time, job specifications and contractor insurance requirements will be described, and questions will be answered. Prospective bidders who do not attend the November 2 meeting should contact the Superintendent for specific instructions before preparing quotes. For more information, please contact the Superintendent's Office at 668-7749.

Student Busing Transportation

Bids should be submitted using a fixed price for the 2023/2024 school year July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024. Bids may also include a fixed price for the 2024/2025, 2025/2026, 2026/2027 & 2027/2028 seasons. Bids should also include a rate for out-of-town extracurricular and co-curricular trips, as well as educational field trips. Contract payment plan is negotiable.

Contract Proposal Details

Regular daily transportation of students in Jackman and Moose River:

- The contract assumes a 70 mile per day route for a regular school day.
- Bid proposals should include a daily rate for regular daily transportation at the assumed number of miles.

Sporting and Field Trips:

- The number of trips varies.
- Bid proposals should include a proposal for per-mile rate.
- Bid proposals should include an hourly rate for out-of-town trips.
- On overnight school trips, the driver will be paid the hourly wage for the actual driving time, or an eight-hour day, whichever is greater. The school district will provide and pay for overnight accommodations.

Contract Terms

- The contract proposal can be for up to five years (per Maine State Statute)
- The transportation company will supply passenger school buses, which will conserve the comfort, safety, and welfare of students.
- Buses will be inspected each year of the agreement at an official inspections station, in addition each bus shall be inspected by the Maine State Police in conformance to the provision of Title 29, Section 2017, M.R.S.A.
- The contractor shall be solely responsible for the employment and payment of wages for certified school bus drivers.
- All drivers will be required to undergo a physical examination annually and present a satisfactory health certificate to the district.
- The contractor will be required to maintain proper liability insurance as described by Maine State Law.