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RE: Notice of Intent to Award
RFP 23-13 Student Transportation Management Services

The Hamilton County Schools Transportation Department announces its intent to award the contract for Student Transportation Management Services

to

First Student, Inc.

This Notice of Intent to Award is subject to execution of a written contract and, as a result, this Notice does NOT constitute the formation of a contract between Hamilton County Schools and First Student, Inc. The vendor shall not acquire any legal or equitable rights relative to the contract services until a contract containing terms and conditions acceptable to Hamilton County Schools is executed. If the apparent successful vendor fails to negotiate and execute a contract with Hamilton County Schools, then Hamilton County Schools may revoke the award and award the contract to the next highest ranked vendor or withdraw the RFP. Hamilton County Schools further reserves the right to cancel this Notice of Award at any time prior to the execution of a written contract.

Any vendor who has submitted a timely bid or bid in response to a solicitation may protest the recommendation of award for a contract by submitting such protest to HCS's Director of Procurement. Any protest must be submitted in writing and be in the possession of the Procurement Department before noon (ET) of the 2nd working day following the public recommendation of contract award.

Thank you for participating in the competitive selection process. For information about this notice or questions about the award please contact the Procurement Department at doe_purchasing@hcde.org.

Sincerely,

Lindsay Cepero

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Director of Procurement