Pre-Bid Meeting 5/19/16

Will a complete packet need to be provided for contractors that have previously submitted proposals?

A complete bid packet will need to be provided with new price sheet, but redundant information can be photocopied.

Will the bid award be 2 years?

The bid award can be in 1 year increments, and can be renewed every year to 4 years OR a full 4 year contract can be awarded at the discretion of Union County Schools.

Can you provide the current contracts for the various routes that are open for bid?

The contract is the same as what is provided online. The routes have not been designated. You are asked to provide pricing for up to 60 miles per day, or 60-80 miles per day.

Can you provide the previous bid record with the prices that were awarded?

The information from the first bid has been posted online for viewing. You may complete a Public Records Request form from Central Finance if you are seeking information from prior contracts. Currently there is not an annual increase built in to the contract, however there is a fuel index included.

Can you provide more detail on the routes? Mileage, stop listings, schools served?

The routes have not been formally assigned, so that information cannot be provided at this time. The routes will be assigned per elementary school zone.

Can you provide an overview of how the transportation department currently operates with the various contractors? i.e. Does the district provide routing and dispatching? What are the various roles for the contractors versus the district?

The transportation department currently provides routing information to the contractors. We work closely with contractors to provide efficient options of service, and often solicit input from contractors before making routing decisions. Contractors are expected to keep licensing, D.O.T. physicals, and pre-employment drug testing on each employee. Contractors are also expected to maintain insurance, adequate equipment, and close communication with the transportation department.

When reviewing the bid tabulation of RFP 0028, would I multiple it by 177 days to get the annualized cost?

The annualized cost can be calculated by multiplying by 167.