



## WALKER COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FACILITIES & OPERATIONS

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### NO BID INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES – BID NUMBER 20-01 April 6, 2020

Due to the mandatory “Executive Order to Ensure a Safe & Healthy Georgia” signed by Georgia Governor, Brian Kemp, all Walker County Schools and facilities are closed for the remainder of the school year. This order requires a shelter-in-place for our state and only allows essential business to be conducted.

We had planned to proceed with the Instructional Supplies Bid 20-01 as scheduled; however, due to the executive order and the following, we have decided to REJECT ANY AND ALL BIDS at this time.

- Unusual circumstances & uncertainty of the situation;
- We do not know if the quantities stated in the bid will be necessary due to the amount of time our schools will remain closed and not using the items;
- We do not know when our staff will be allowed to return to work to accept deliveries at our warehouse;
- Considering the difficulties that we have had every year with vendors not scheduling deliveries with us so that we know when to be available, we feel attempting to place orders and schedule deliveries would not be a safe alternative.
- We know estimated times of delivery of items would be uncertain and hard to estimate with very much accuracy.

We do apologize for the inconvenience; however, we are all taking this situation one day at a time. We will send out notifications and post information at such time that we are able to start the bid process all over again to re-bid for instructional supplies.

Additionally, due to the circumstances, we feel that the bid information that we received should remain confidential until the re-bid process is completely finished and finalized. Please respect this decision as we feel that this is respectful and most fair to everyone who took the time to submit bids and send in their samples.

If you have any questions concerning this bid or the situation, please contact Kelia Kimbell at Facilities & Operations – Warehouse via email at [keliakimbell@walkerschools.org](mailto:keliakimbell@walkerschools.org).

Respectfully,

Chris Jones  
Director of Facilities & Operations