

**SECTION A
INVITATION TO BID**

01.A- Sealed bids from Contractors will be received by the Walker County Board of Education at 298 Culberson Avenue, LaFayette, GA 30728 until **2:00 PM**, local time, on **April 11, 2017** for the **Walker County Schools Hvac Modifications, Fairyland Elementary School & Cherokee Ridge Elementary**. The bids will be publicly opened and read. No extension of the bidding period will be made.

02.A- Bidding Documents may be reviewed and/or obtained at the office of James W Buckley & Associates, Inc., 423 Pine Avenue, Albany, GA 31701, phone (229) 883-4698, fax (229) 883-0936, or email rmb@jwbuckley.com. Electronic documents in .pdf format will be furnished to interested parties at no cost. The Bidding Documents are the property of the Owner.

03.A- The Contract, if awarded, will be on a lump sum basis to a responsive and responsible bidder. The Contract will be awarded by base bid. No Bid may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days after date and time of opening, except as otherwise expressly provided by applicable law.

04.A- Each Bid must be accompanied by a Bid Bond (bond only; certified checks or other forms are not acceptable) in an amount not less than 5% of the Base Bid. Both a Performance Bond and Payment Bond will be required in amount equal to 100% of the Contract Price. By submitting a Bid, the Bidder agrees to sign the Owner's STANDARD FORM OF FIXED PRICE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT, which is one of the Bidding Documents. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive technicalities and informalities. The bids will be evaluated and awarded to what is most advantageous for the Walker County Board of Education.

05.A- There will be a mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at **3:00 PM**, local time on **March 27, 2017** at 298 Culberson Avenue, LaFayette, GA 30728.

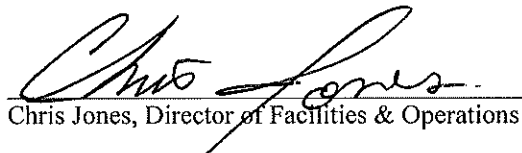
06.A- Each bid shall be submitted on the prescribed Form of bid. All blank spaces for bid prices must be filled in, in ink or typewritten, in both words and figures, and the certification shall be completed and executed when submitted.

07.A- Each bid must be accompanied with a **BID BOND** (Bond only; certified checks or other forms are not acceptable) in an amount equal to 5% of the base bid, payable to the OWNER and issued by a Surety authorized to do business in the State of Georgia, in order to guarantee that the bidder will enter into a contract to construct the project strictly within the terms and conditions stated in this bid and in the bidding and Contract Documents, should the construction contract be awarded to him.

08.A- The successful bidder shall be required to furnish a bond for the faithful performance on the contract and a bond to secure payment of all claims for materials furnished and/or labor performed in performance of the project, both in amounts equal to 100% of the Contract Price. Both bonds shall be issued by a Corporate Surety authorized to do business with the State of Georgia. All bids submitted shall remain open for a period of sixty (60) days after the date of the bid opening.

A-10. All bids submitted shall be in accordance with the terms of the Georgia Vendor Manual and the laws of the State of Georgia.

A-11. The owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive technicalities and informalities.


Chris Jones, Director of Facilities & Operations

Date: 2/27/2017

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