



PROCUREMENT SERVICES

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO AWARD

POSTED: June 1, 2022

RE: ITB No. B227419JA – Fresh Produce

On May 4, 2022 at 2:00 PM local time, bids were received for Fresh Produce.

Based on the bids received, the Superintendent will recommend to the School Board of Lee County that the ITB be awarded to **Freedom Fresh, LLC**, as indicated on the attached bid tabulation sheet. The company recommended for award has submitted the overall best product meeting ITB specifications. At this time the firm listed above should provide a copy of a current W9 for the company. No purchase orders for this contract will be issued to an awardee without a current W9 on file.

This recommendation is anticipated to be taken to the School Board for action at their meeting scheduled for **June 14, 2022**. The School Board exercises the authority to accept or reject bids, including the ability to award bids on such products and/or services it deems will best serve the District's best interest from the standpoint of price, quality, and suitability for the intended purpose and any other determining factors. Only after the School Board approves the recommendation, may purchase orders be forwarded to the awarded company. This Notice of Intent to Award does not guarantee a contract and is not to be construed as authorization to provide goods or services.

Offers from the firms listed on the bid tabulation sheet are the only responses to the ITB received in accordance with the dates indicated for response. All other offers submitted in response to this ITB, if any, are hereby rejected as late.

Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in section [120.57\(3\)](#), Florida Statutes, or failure to post the bond or other security required by law within the time allowed for filing a bond shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under chapter 120, Florida Statutes, and failure to follow any other requirements in the bid protest procedures established by the School District of Lee County, Florida shall constitute a waiver of all protest rights.

Sincerely,

Tracey N. Adams, CLGPO
Director of Procurement Services

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