



Muscogee County School District Columbus, Georgia

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ADDENDUM 2 **RFP #27-001 Purchase and Installation of Video Surveillance Equipment**

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Dear Vendors,

The following questions were discussed during the pre-proposal meeting for RFP #27-001 Purchase and Installation of Video Surveillance Equipment:

1. Was it the same company that did the high school and middle school? And if that is the case, why is this going out to bid? Were there some issues with that first company or those two other companies that provoked you guys to send it out to bid?

Answer: Yes, it was the same company that completed all of Phase One.

I would not say there were issues. As with any project, we learned some things, and I think they learned some things as well. We have a good working relationship with that company.

The reason this phase is going out to bid is simply because, as a public organization, we believe in maintaining a competitive process. This is taxpayer money, and it's important that we do our due diligence by providing qualified firms the opportunity to compete and ensuring competitive pricing.

It's not uncommon for the same company to complete multiple phases of a large project, and there are advantages to that. In this case, however, going out to bid is simply our standard business practice, not a reflection of any issues with the previous contractor.

2. I see there are technical merit categories in the RFP. So, it is not just based on low price, it is based on all the different scorings. Is that correct?

Answer: Yes, that is correct. This is not an award based solely on the lowest price.

The technical and financial proposals are evaluated separately. A five-member selection committee scores only the technical proposals using the criteria outlined in the RFP. The committee does not see the financial proposals during the evaluation. Once the technical scoring is complete, the financial proposals are evaluated by the Purchasing Department in accordance with the RFP.

3. Does the project include any video intercoms? And then also your access control doors, are you going to be using separate integrator for that portion in conjunction with the camera integrator? Or how is that going to work out?

Answer: No. There are no video intercoms or access control systems included in the scope of this RFP. As a result, there is no separate access control integrator associated with this project. The scope is limited to video surveillance only, with no audio.



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4. You mentioned that workday starts when the children get out of school. But you also mentioned coordinating with your IT team for some of the configuration components. Are they going to be available during that after hours as well?
Answer: The awarded contractor should have all of the information needed in advance to complete the installation and configuration. While coordination with our IT staff may be required during planning, the contractor will have everything necessary to perform the after-hours work, even if district staff are not on site.
5. So, you will tell us this is the IP address range that you should be using for these cameras?
Answer: Yes. It is all digital and the contractor will have access to those files online for the exact IP addresses to use, including password information for the camera.
6. Do the contractors have access to the district's holiday schedule?
Answer: Yes. The district's holiday schedule was provided in Addendum 1. The awarded contractor will have access to the buildings during those scheduled breaks unless the district notifies the contractor that a particular building is unavailable. We do not anticipate that occurring except in the event of an unforeseen circumstance, such as an emergency maintenance project.
7. How long before the drawings will be available for us to review?
Answer: The drawings will be available to those who attended the mandatory pre-bid meeting by Monday, 07/20/2026.

The following questions were received from the Purchasing Department after the pre-proposal meeting:

1. Please clarify that contractor is responsible for patch, paint and repair where cameras are removed. Will MCSD supply matching paint or replacement ceiling tiles?
Answer: The contractor is responsible for patch, paint, and repair where cameras are removed as well as supplying the paint and replacement ceiling tiles. MCSD will not be providing these.
2. Will contractor have use of MCSD dumpsters to dispose of ceiling tiles, analog cable and/or cameras?
Answer: No. MCSD dumpsters should not be used for this project, and old cameras will not be disposed of by the contractor.
3. Is integrator required to pull camera names from the existing DVRs?
Answer: No. The existing camera names are irrelevant to what the new camera names will be.
4. Does MCSD provide all required equipment racks for new servers in the data center including space for contractor provided patch panels?
Answer: Yes. However, the Contractor will not need to provide patch panels. MCSD's Data Center Operations team will coordinate what is needed for the server installation.
5. Please clarify this statement from the Drawing's One Line Diagram: ALL UPS UNITS MUST BE POWERED BY UN-SWITCHED, DEDICATED POWER CIRCUITS. CONTRACTOR MUST PROVIDE AND INSTALL POWER CIRCUIT AND RECEPTACLE.



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Answer: This statement can be ignored and will be removed from the plans. There is no requirement to provide UPS units.

6. Brewer Key Note #4 – It indicates that the existing analog camera and cable is to be removed as well as the associated conduit. Is this local at the camera only conduit? Is all analog cable to be removed back to local DVR? Or back to cable bundle above ceiling?

Answer: All analog camera cable is to be removed back to the DVR, including all conduit local to the camera.

7. Brewer Key Note #5 – remove analog camera, mounts and cable. Please clarify that all analog cable is to be removed back to its origination location (DVR). Or back to cable bundle above ceiling?

Answer: All analog camera cable is to be removed back to the DVR, including all conduit local to the camera.

8. Is Pink colored Cat 6a cable required for all cabling at all schools? Is Pink required for the slimline patch cables as well?

Answer: MCSD uses a color design for all hardware, and all security camera patch cables and jacks must be red, not pink. This requirement for pink cables is a mistake and will be removed from the drawings. The color of the horizontal cable is not specified and may be any standard manufacturer color.

9. Are T-Bars required to support multi-sensor cameras only?

Answer: Yes. T-Bars are required only for multi-sensor cameras and are not required for single dome cameras.

10. RFP states contractor to provide: Category 6A patch panel shall be 1U 48-port Belden or equivalent at each IDF/MDF. Drawing Note states contractor to provide 24 port patch panel at each IDF. Please clarify.

Answer: The RFP requirement is correct, not the drawings. Category 6A patch panel shall be 1U 48-port Belden or equivalent at each IDF/MDF. This is another mistake that we will fix in the drawings.