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Sealed bids for Darley Rd Early Education Center Boiler/Chiller Replacement Contract No. **BSD270001-CHILLERDRD**, will be received by Brandywine School District, Facilities Office at 1000 Pennsylvania Ave, Claymont, DE 19703 until **1:00 PM** local time on **September 24, 2026**, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud in the **Facilities Office at 1000 Pennsylvania Avenue, Claymont, DE 19703**. Bidder bears the risk of late delivery. Any bids received after the stated time will be returned unopened.

Project involves the Demolition and replacement of boiler, chiller, and cooling tower systems, and plumbing/HVAC/electrical work associated with these activities. New concrete boiler pads and structural reinforcement to the existing cooling tower dunnage.

A **MANDATORY** Pre-Bid Meeting will be held on **August 21, 2026**, at the Darley Rd Early Education Center at 500 Darley Road Claymont, DE 19703 at 10:00 AM for the purpose of establishing the listing of subcontractors and to answer questions. Representatives of each party to any Joint Venture must attend this meeting. **ATTENDANCE OF THIS MEETING IS A MANDATORY PREREQUISITE FOR BIDDING ON THIS CONTRACT.**

Sealed bids shall be addressed to Brandywine School District, Darley Rd EEC Boiler/Chiller Replacement, Attn John Read, Director of Facilities. The outer envelope should clearly indicate: **Brandywine School District CONTRACT NO. BSD270001-CHILLERDRD - SEALED BID - DO NOT OPEN."**

Contract documents will be made available for printing on the day of the Pre-Bid Meeting, **August 21, 2026**. Bidders shall withhold any questions until the Pre-Bid meeting. Contract documents will be available at the office of **RCI Printing & Graphics at 298 Churchmans Rd, New Castle, DE 19720** upon receipt of **\$40.00** per set (Non-refundable). Checks are to be made payable to "**RCI Printing and Graphics**".

Bidders will not be subject to discrimination on the basis of race, creed, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or national origin in consideration of this award, and Minority Business Enterprises, Disadvantaged Business Enterprises, Women-Owned Business Enterprises and Veteran-Owned Business Enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids on this contract. Each bid must be accompanied by a bid security equivalent to ten percent of the bid amount and all additive alternates. The successful bidder must post a performance bond and payment bond in a sum equal to 100 percent of the contract price upon execution of the contract. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities therein. The Owner may extend the time and place for the opening of the bids from that described in the advertisement, with not less than two calendar days notice by certified delivery, facsimile machine or other electronic means to those bidders receiving plans.

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