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INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids for **Colonial School District, Bid No. CN2507B-2, Colonial School District – Secure Vestibule & Classroom Door Hardware Security Upgrade BID PACK "B"** will be received by the **Colonial School District**, at the **Gunning Bedford Middle School, 801 Cox Neck Rd, New Castle, DE 19720** until **3:30 p.m.** local time on **Wednesday, April 22, 2026** at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud. Bidder bears the risk of late delivery. Any bids received after the stated time will be returned unopened.

The project involves Secure Vestibule & Classroom Door Hardware Security Upgrade at Gunning Bedford Middle School. The project consists on replacing the remaining non-secure storefront at the main entrance with a bullet resistance level 3 storefront and doors, as indicated in the construction documents. Upgrade all door hardware of every classroom with retrofit secure code-compliant barricade lock to existing cylindrical lever locks as indicated in the construction documents. Refer to door schedule for doors need to be re-painted.

Only General Contractors may submit bids on this project.

A **MANDATORY** Pre-Bid Meeting will be held on **Wednesday, March 25, 2026 at 3:30 p.m.** at the **Gunning Bedford Middle School, 801 Cox Neck Rd, New Castle, DE 19720** 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 BY ALL GENERAL CONTRACTORS IS A PREREQUISITE FOR BIDDING ON THIS CONTRACT.**

Sealed bids shall be addressed to the Colonial School District, ATTN.: Steve Johnson. The outer envelope should clearly indicate: **“CONTRACT NO. CN2507B-2 – COLONIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT – SECURE VESTIBULE & CLASSROOM DOOR HARDWARE SECURITY UPGRADE BID PACK "B"– SEALED BID – DO NOT OPEN”**.

Contract documents will be available to bidders, upon request, in electronic format after the Pre-Bid Meeting for a \$25.00 nonrefundable fee. Electronic documents can be purchased following the Pre-Bid Meeting at the office of Fearn-Clendaniel Architects, Inc., 6 Larch Avenue, Suite 398, Wilmington, Delaware 19804, attention to **Oscar Enderica**, or via email to oscar@fcarchitects.net. The electronic documents contain PDF files only (no paper copy included). Checks are to be made payable to “Fearn-Clendaniel Architects, Inc.”

Construction documents will be available for review at the following location: Delaware Contractors Association; Associated Builders and Contractors.

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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