

King Philip Regional School District
Student Transportation Invitation for Bids
Questions & Answers

- 1) **On page 2, the specs state that the bid for KPRSD will be rec'd at the school in Norfolk, while the Norfolk specs state that all 4 bids will be rec'd at the Norfolk Superintendent office. Please clarify.**

Bids for King Philip will be received at the office of the Director of Finance & Operations (Larry Azer) at 18 King Street, Norfolk, MA 02056.

- 2) **Item 3 on page 2 provides a deadline for question, and states answers will be issues by March 1. With the bid due on March 5, the interval between answers and the due date is very tight. Please consider answering questions as they are asked.**

Answers are being posted on March 1st.

- 3) **Item 15 on page 3 references signatures. With Covid social distancing and folks working from home, it can be a challenge to get senior management into the office to sign documents. Would the District allow for electronic signatures in recognition of the pandemic?**

Yes

- 4) **Item 28 on page 4 states that KPRSD 'will consider' a fuel adjustment clause. In order to properly prepare a bid, we need to know if this clause will actually be part of the contract, or not.**

A fuel adjustment clause will not be part of the contract.

- 5) **Item 3 on page 6 refers to the Districts right to replace any driver. Please consider adding the following language: "Any request to remove a driver from service under the agreement shall be in writing, with the reasons stated therein, and shall not be in violation of any federal, state or local law."**

We will consider adding this to the final contract that is awarded.

- 6) **Item 2 on page 9 asks for a list of all contracts for the past 5 years. For a national contractor, this is an extensive list. Would the District accept references from just MA, or New England?**

The preference would be districts in Massachusetts but references from other New England states are acceptable.

- 7) **We would like to request a copy of the current contract between the District and W T Holmes.**

It will be posted along with this document.

- 8) **Does Holmes have a full roster of regularly assigned drivers for all routes? And do they have a full complement of sitting spare drivers? Are the drivers' members of a union, and, if so, which one?**

Holmes has a roster of regular drivers and some spare drivers. The drivers do not belong to a union.

- 9) **Page 4, #28 States that the district will consider a fuel Escalation / De-escalation clause adjustment. What is the determining factor if it will be utilized? Will it be a fuel price change in percentage? If so, what is the benchmark of change that will be used?**

The district will not be utilizing a fuel escalation clause.

- 10) **Can you please provide a list of mileages for each route?**

The bus routes average about 13 miles per route.

- 11) **What time are the late runs at? And how many buses typically are used daily for late runs?**

Late runs are at approximately 3:15 PM. There are usually four buses for late runs, on Monday through Thursday.