

LOWNDES COUNTY SCHOOLS
RFQ# LCS102317

We received 13 questions relating to this RFQ. Questions and responses follow.

1. Has a preliminary program been developed for the new Lowndes High School? If so, will it be made available?

We do not have a formal preliminary program. Information contained in Section 1 of the RFQ has some of the preliminaries, other planning and coordination will be coordinated with the selected firm.

2. On page 5, Section A9, please confirm if the Contractor Affidavit Form (Exhibit "B") is required for consultants as well as the Design Professional and Associate Architect team members.

The Contractor Affidavit Form need only be submitted for the Design Professional or Design Professionals if a joint venture.

3. Can the board release the names of those that will serve on the selection committee? (we understand we cannot contact any committee members, so we want to make sure we know who they are to avoid contacting them).

The selection committee members are:
Jeff Hill - Coordinator, Facilities & Operations, LCS
Ken Overman - Asst. Superintendent, LCS
Al Rowell - Director of IT, LCS
Steve Coleman - Custodial Supervisor, LCS
Creacy Sermons - Coastal Plains RESA

For clarification, the restriction of communication extents to employees of Lowndes County Schools (Using Agency) and LCBOE

4. Has a feasibility study been performed and if so, will the feasibility study be released prior to firm shortlisting?

There has not been a feasibility study performed.

5. Are there any significant site issues that will need to be included in the design scope?

No known significant site issues at this time. The new building will occupy the same footprint as the initial demo.

6. Is there a preferred architectural style for the new facility? (Modern, Traditional, etc.)

We want the design to work with the appearance of the gymnasium when entering the campus.

7. Will the Performing Arts element be a stand-alone building or integrated into the main building?

The Performing Arts element will be integrated into the main building.

8. Is a three-story building anticipated due to footprint limitations?

Yes, due to footprint limitations.

9. The RFQ indicates Phase I to demo 108,000 SF and add back of 250,000 SF. Phase II indicates demo of 61,000 SF, but no build-back is mentioned. Is there any build-back in the scope for Phase II?

No build back in phase II.

10. What existing buildings on campus are to be demolished?

Bldgs: 5010, 5012, 5020, 5040, 5050

11. Near the bottom of page 2 of the RFQ, it is stated that “(*) The Design Professional will be responsible for procurement, management and coordination of additional consultants that may be needed for the project and contracted to and paid for by the owner through the selected DP at no additional cost to the owner.” Is the owner to pay for these services or is the DP responsible for paying this cost out of the DP’s fee?

The owner will be responsible for the cost. The DP will be responsible for procurement, management and coordination with no mark up of fees to the owner.

12. The RFQ Certification Form references GSFIC. Is GSFIC administering this project?

This was an oversight, all reference to GSFIC should be stricken.

13. Can the DP submit the RFQ submittal by emailing a “Drop-Box” link? (The file size may be too large to email the full package).

I will coordinate with my tech dept but do not anticipate any problems for a maximum 50 page .pdf file.