

The Westborough Public Schools

ADDENDA 1

Invitation for Bids

Safer Teachers, Safer Students: SARS-CoV-2 Screening Testing Pilot Program

- Q. Form L Bid Capabilities includes “able to test symptomatic individuals” and “able to bill insurance for symptomatic tests.” However, all other references in the SOW, including the price bid form, suggest that the SOW is for asymptomatic testing. Please confirm that the vendor is not expected to provide a solution for symptomatic testing and advise on how vendors should respond to “able to test symptomatic individuals” and “able to bill insurance for symptomatic tests” on Form L if these are not applicable.
- A. No antigen testing. Westborough is seeking PCR, pool testing, reflex testing to also be PCR.
- Q. Section 2.5 Required Bid Documents on page 8 of the IFB item k. Standard Contract says it should be submitted “for each of the **three** districts.” Can you please confirm that only one copy of the Standard Contract should be submitted since this IFB is only for one school district (Westborough)?
- A. Only one Standard Contract for one district (Westborough) should be submitted.
- Q. Section 2.5 Required Bid Documents on page 8 of the IFB labels the Standard Contract as Form K. Page 30 of the IFB contains the Standard Contract, but is labeled as Form I. Can the district please confirm whether we should label the Standard Contract form as Form K or Form I?
- A. The Standard Contract form should be labeled “I.”
- Q. In the RFP, it is stated that you would like the results turned around in 24 hours or less. How do you track turnaround time (when results arrive at the laboratory, when they are transported, when they are collected, etc.)?
- A. Turnaround time is defined by the results arriving at the Westborough Public Schools.
- Q. Does the Westborough Public School District have an existing NPI number or a physician that orders the required COVID-19 tests? We can provide solutions that are covered within our per-test cost if needed.
- A. The Westborough Public Schools does not have an existing physician that orders COVID_19 tests.

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- Q. Additionally, does the District have a preference for a specific testing modality (individual PCR, pooled PCR, antigen, etc.)? Are there any testing modalities that you would not consider in a bid?
- A. The Westborough Public Schools is PCR, pool testing, reflex testing to also be PCR.
- Q. Would the school district consider rapid antigen testing as a solution for screening students and staff with confirmatory PCR available for individuals testing positive via rapid antigen?
- A. No antigen testing. Vendors must purchase and maintain FDA-approved or authorized PCR tests (preferably with results returned within 24 hours or less).
- Q. Will the school district be supplying space for testing? Such as a gymnasium, outdoor space or other place to conduct testing?
- A. Screenings will be conducted by utilizing at home collection kits that are returned to designated sites on designated dates.
- Q. Would the contractor be responsible for providing a space to conduct testing?
- A. Screenings will be conducted by utilizing at home collection kits that are returned to designated sites on designated dates.
- Q. Will the school district furnish utilities such as electricity and specifically, wireless internet with suitable speeds for high-speed data transfer to accommodate all the data that goes with testing?
- A. Screenings will be conducted by utilizing at home collection kits that are returned to designated sites on designated dates.
- Q. While testing must take place outside of classroom hours, is the contractor able to conduct testing immediately before or after classroom hours, such as for 1 hour before classes and for several hours after the cessation of classes for the day? Is the contractor able to set up on the school grounds and conduct testing for staff during planning periods, lunch breaks, etc.?

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- A. Screenings will be conducted by utilizing at home collection kits that are returned to designated sites on designated dates.

- Q. Will the contractor be allowed to post flyers to schedule testing on school premises, such as on bulletin boards, or will the school assist in sending out QR codes to staff and students for registration?

- A. The school will assist in inviting participants to sign up for screening.

- Q. Will the contractor be allowed to offer testing to parents for a fee if they wish to be tested?

- A. The IFB pilot program is for screening of students, school staff and school contacts.