

PELLSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

**REQUEST FOR
PROPOSAL**

**FIREFIGHTER VIRTUAL REALITY TRAINING SYSTEMS
SIMULATOR AND SOFTWARE SUBSCRIPTIONS
JUNE 2021**

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GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Pellston Public School District is seeking proposals for the purchase of Virtual Reality Training System – Firefighter Simulator and Software Subscription.

The award of bid will be based on the “best value” considering price, conformance to specifications, past performance and services, and ability to deliver the products and services. This includes the financial and corporate stability of the supplier.

Each vendor must complete the pricing as requested and attach a complete description with manufacturer name, product part and serial numbers. Pellston Public School District is exempt from all federal and state sales taxes. This award will be valid for a period of one-year. Bid prices shall include all delivery and freight expenses.

- 1) Shipments must be coordinated with the District. All shipments will be made to Pellston Public Schools FOB. Delivery will be no later than **August 21, 2021**.
- 2) Pellston Public Schools reserves the right to accept or reject any or all items in the bid; accept or reject any or all bids; to waive any informalities therein; or for reasons of establishing uniformity or that serve the best interest of the District, to award the contract to other than the low bidder(s).
- 3) All proposals must be submitted on the attached “**BID PROPOSAL FORM**”. The proposal must be the original and signed by an individual **authorized** to bind the vendor to be valid. Proposals must be received by the time and date stated (Day, Date by Time) or they will not be considered. Proposals received after the announced time and date will be returned.
- 4) Two signed copies of the written proposal along with the two signed and notarized Affidavits must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked “**Proposal: Virtual Reality Training System**” and delivered to Enos Bacon, Principal, Pellston Public Schools, 172 N Park St, Pellston, MI 49769. Bids will be publicly opened and read at **12:00 PM on June 14, 2021** in the Board room located at the above address. Emailed proposals will be accepted by submitting with the subject line reading “**Proposal: Virtual Reality Training System**” and emailed to ebacon@pellstonschools.org by the above specified time, day, date. No late proposals will be accepted. The awarded bid will be recommended to the Board of Education for approval at the June 14, 2021 Board Meeting.
- 5) References of three (3) previous customer’s services, for whom comparable systems have been provided must be furnished. This list shall include company name, person to

contact, physical or email address and telephone number. Failure to include references may be ample cause for rejection.

- 6) Any catalog, brand name or manufacturer's reference in this RFP is descriptive – not restrictive- it is intended to indicate type and quality desired. If a brand other than the specified is proposed, complete descriptive information of said article must be included with the proposal. Only like products, quality and warranty will be considered. If the vendor takes no exceptions to specifications referenced in this RFP, brand names, models etc. as specified, must be furnished.
- 7) All items proposed must be new, not reconditioned, including containers suitable for shipment and storage, unless otherwise indicated on the proposal.
- 8) Pellston Public Schools is not liable for any costs incurred by the vendor prior to issuance of any agreements, contracts or purchase orders, and will not pay for information solicited or obtained in response to this RFP. The information obtained will be utilized solely to determine the suitability of the products or services offered. Subsequent procurement, if any, will be in accordance with appropriate rules and regulations.
- 9) All submitted proposals will be reviewed and evaluated by only those officials who have a legitimate interest. Any information within a proposal that a vendor considers to be proprietary should be identified as such in writing. Otherwise, Pellston Public Schools reserve the right to use any or all ideas presented with a proposal in any reply to this RFP. Selection or rejection of a vendor's proposal does not affect this right.
- 10) Vendors may be required to make an oral presentation to Pellston Public Schools evaluators if clarification of a proposal is necessary to make a proper evaluation. A vendor's original proposal cannot be changed in any aspect as a result of an oral presentation. The oral presentation is only intended to provide an opportunity for vendors to clarify specific portions of their specific proposal. Oral presentations will be arranged at the discretion of Pellston Public Schools and will be by invitation only.
- 11) Maintenance costs and any other potentially hidden costs shall be identified as part of the proposal.
- 12) All prices are guaranteed for one (1) full year from the date of purchase.
- 13) The selected vendor will be required to provide electronically any serial numbers associated with this purchase.
- 14) All questions regarding the specifications of this purchase regarding general terms and conditions must be emailed to Mr Enos Bacon @ ebacon@pellstonschools.org by **June 11, 2021**

PELLSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS – BID PROPOSAL FORM
FIREFIGHTER VIRTUAL REALITY TRAINING SYSTEMS
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The undersigned certifies that the bid contained herein meets or exceeds specifications. Prices bid will remain firm for one (1) year from the date of opening.

Brand: _____

Price Per Unit: _____

Warranty Information and Terms (include in cost above): _____

Price for Software Per Year: _____

Training Costs: _____

Any other Costs: _____

List of (3) References: _____

Company Name: _____

Company Address: _____

Contact Name: _____

Contact Telephone # **and** Email Address: _____

Submitted By: _____ Title: _____

Authorized Signature: _____ Date: _____

CONFLICT OF INTEREST AFFIDAVIT

This affidavit is required by state law and complies with the State of Michigan, Act No 232 of Public Acts of 2004, Enrolled House Bill No. 5376, Sec. 1267, paragraph 3, and sub-paragraph (d), as listed below:

(3) The advertisement for bids (and proposals) shall do all of the following:

State that the bid shall be accompanied by a sworn and notarized statement disclosing any familial relationship that exists between the owner or any employee of the bidder and any member of the board, intermediate schools board, or board of directors or the superintendent of the public school. A board, intermediate school board, or board of directors shall not accept a bid that does not include this sworn and notarized disclosure statement.

CHECK ONE OF THE TWO BOXES BELOW:

List and describe all existing conflicts of interest. (attach an additional page if necessary)

To the best of my knowledge, no conflict of interest exists:

Print Name of Bidder: _____

Name of Company: _____

Address: _____

Signature: _____

Sworn to and subscribed before me, a notary public in and for the above state and county, on this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Notary Public: _____

My commission expires: _____

IRAN BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP AFFIDAVIT

Effective April 1, 2013 all bids, proposals, and /or qualification statements received in the State of Michigan must comply with the "Iran Economic Sanctions Act". The following certification is to be signed and included at time of submission.

CERTIFICATION

Pursuant to the Michigan Iron Economic Sanctions Act, 2012 PA 517, by submitting a bid, proposal or response, Respondent certifies, under civil penalty for false certification, that it is fully eligible to do so under law and that it is not an "Iran linked business" as the term is defined in the Act.

Company: _____

Signature: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

Sworn to and subscribed before me, a notary public in and for the above state and county, on this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Notary Public: _____

My commission expires: _____

PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

Virtual Reality (VR) firefighter training simulator that combines a patented haptics force feedback hose reel with industry standard firefighter equipment, a VR head mounted display integrated with industry standard breathing apparatus and a range of proprietary virtual fire scenarios to provide an immersive safe learning experience for firefighters and crew chiefs in life-like virtual environments.

The system to include; SCBA backpack with computer, HTC VIVE PRO VR head mounted display, patented haptics force feedback hose reel, TFT nozzle, full face mask breathing apparatus, fire proximity heat suit, cables and system peripherals. The system is delivered in 3x ruggedised transport cases. The system includes 1 year software subscription license, full hardware system warranty, technical support, quarterly release software upgrades and access to an expanding scenario library.

The training system is to provide a safe, economical and highly realistic fire ground training solution in a controlled and repeatable environment. The simulator is intended to supplement the real world live fire training ground and performs many of the same functions. It allows reinforcement of hands-on fire ground training for new and existing firefighters in a controlled, cost efficient and fail-safe manner. Unlike traditional fire ground training, that is inherently unsafe and difficult to produce, the system sought would provide firefighters the ability to train as teams or individuals in the most realistic virtual reality immersive world available and can put firefighters through varied hazardous virtual scenarios without risk by replicating real fire behaviour in a range of virtual environments.