

**BIDS**

The Governing Board is committed to promoting public accountability and ensuring prudent use of public funds. When leasing, purchasing, or contracting for equipment, materials, supplies, or services for the district, including when contracting for public projects involving district facilities, the Board shall explore lawful opportunities to obtain the greatest possible value for its expenditure of public funds. When required by law, or if the Board determines that it is in the best interest of the district, such contracts shall be made using competitive bidding.

*(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)*

*(cf. 3000 - Concepts and Roles)*

*(cf. 3300 - Expenditures and Purchases)*

No work, project, service, or purchase shall be split or separated into smaller work orders or projects for the purpose of evading legal requirements regarding contracting after competitive bidding. (Public Contract Code 20116, 22033)

The Superintendent or designee shall establish comprehensive bidding procedures for the district in accordance with law. The procedures shall include a process for advertising bids, instructions and timelines for submitting and opening bids, and other relevant requirements.

For award of contracts which, by law or Board policy, require prequalification, the procedures shall identify a uniform system for rating bidders and shall address the issues covered by the standardized questionnaire and model guidelines developed by the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Public Contract Code 20101.

*(cf. 9270 - Conflict of Interest)*

When calling for bids, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the bid specification clearly describes in appropriate detail the quality, delivery, and service required, and includes all information which the district knows, or has in its possession, that is relevant to the work to be performed or that may impact the cost of performing the work.

Except as authorized by law and specified in the administrative regulation, contracts shall be let to the lowest responsible bidder who shall give such security as the Board requires, or else all bids shall be rejected. (Public Contract Code 20111)

When the Board has determined that it is in the best interest of the district, the district may piggyback onto the contract of another public agency or corporation to lease or purchase equipment or supplies to the extent authorized by law. (Public Contract Code 20118)

*Legal Reference: (see next page)*

**BIDS** (continued)

*Legal Reference:*

EDUCATION CODE

17070.10-17079.30 *Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act*

17250.10-17250.55 *Design-build contracts*

17406 *Lease-leaseback contract*

17595 *Purchase of supplies through Department of General Services*

17602 *Purchase of surplus property from federal agencies*

38083 *Purchase of perishable foodstuffs and reasonable commodities*

38110-38120 *Apparatus and supplies*

39802 *Transportation services*

CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE

446 *Verification of pleadings*

GOVERNMENT CODE

4217.10-4217.18 *Energy conservation contracts*

4330-4334 *Preference for California-made materials*

6252 *Definition of public record*

53060 *Special services and advice*

54201-54205 *Purchase of supplies and equipment by local agencies*

PUBLIC CONTRACT CODE

1102 *Emergencies*

2000-2002 *Responsive bidders*

3000-3010 *Roofing projects*

3400 *Bids, specifications by brand or trade name not permitted*

3410 *United States produce and processed foods*

6610 *Bid visits*

12200 *Definitions, recycled goods, materials and supplies*

20101-20103.7 *Public construction projects, requirements for bidding*

20103.8 *Award of contracts*

20107 *Bidder's security*

20110-20118.4 *Contracting by school districts*

20189 *Bidder's security, earthquake relief*

22002 *Definition of public project*

22030-22045 *Alternative procedures for public projects (UPCCAA)*

22050 *Alternative emergency procedures*

22152 *Recycled product procurement*

COURT DECISIONS

*McGee v. Balfour Beatty Construction, LLC, et al.* (4/12/16, No. B262850)

*Davis v. Fresno Unified School District*, (2015) 237 Cal.App.4th 261

*Los Angeles Unified School District v. Great American Insurance Co.*, (2010) 49 Cal.4th 739

*Great West Contractors Inc. v. Irvine Unified School District*, (2010) 187 Cal.App.4th 1425

*Marshall v. Pasadena Unified School District*, (2004) 119 Cal.App.4th 1241

*Konica Business Machines v. Regents of the University of California*, (1988) 206 Cal.App.3d 449

*City of Inglewood-Los Angeles County Civic Center Authority v. Superior Court*, (1972) 7 Cal.3d 861

ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINIONS

89 *Ops. Cal. Atty. Gen. 1* (2006)

*Management Resources: (see next page)*

*Management Resources:*

*CALIFORNIA UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION COST ACCOUNTING COMMISSION PUBLICATIONS*

*Cost Accounting Policies and Procedures Manual*

*Frequently Asked Questions*

*WEB SITES*

*CSBA: [http:// www.csba.org](http://www.csba.org)*

*California Association of School Business Officials: <http://www.casbo.org>*

*California Uniform Construction Cost Accounting Commission:*

*[http://www.sco.ca.gov/ard\\_cuccac.html](http://www.sco.ca.gov/ard_cuccac.html)*