

Vicksburg Warren School District

Notice of Solicitation

The Vicksburg Warren School District will receive **Request for Proposals (RFP)** for the following:

METAL DETECTORS RFP #25-26-04

The Vicksburg Warren School District is soliciting sealed competitive proposals (hereafter called proposals) for the services per the specifications stated elsewhere in this solicitation document. Proposals shall be submitted in an envelope marked on the outside with the offeror's name and address and proposal number RFP #25-26-04 to:

Vicksburg Warren School District
Attn: Kathy R. Hughes
1500 Mission 66
Vicksburg, MS 39180

Proposals will be received at the above address until **3:00 PM Wednesday, July 2, 2025**. Proposals will be opened on **1:00 PM Thursday, July 10, 2025**. To ensure that required components are present, prices will not be read, nor disclosed in any other manner until award is made.

No RFP shall be accepted or considered after such scheduled time. The Board of Trustees of the Vicksburg Warren School District reserves the right to waive informalities and to reject any/or all bids as might be in the best interest of the school.

Faxed proposals will not be accepted. Proposals must be submitted in sufficient time to be received and time-stamped at the above location on or before the published date and time shown on the RFP. VWSD will not be responsible for mail delivered from the post office. Vendors must submit sealed proposals in the form of the executed Offer Form and Price Offer Sheets together with any material required by this RFP by the time and date specified.

The Vicksburg Warren School District ("the District"), through its Safety Department, is publishing a Sealed Request for Proposal ("RFP") soliciting vendor proposals and qualifications for the provision and installation and maintenance of six screening units.

This RFP will not be distributed in paper form. All distributions will be through the District website at <https://www.vwsd.org/o/vwsd/page/business-office>.

No RFP shall be accepted or considered after such scheduled time. The Board of Trustees of the Vicksburg Warren School District reserves the right to waive informalities and to reject any/or all RFP's as might be in the best interest of the school district.

Performance Dates:

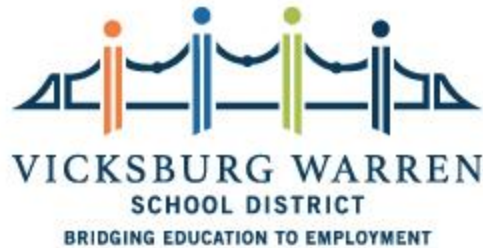
Advertise 06 June 2025

Advertise 13 June 2025

Dr. Toriano Holloway
Superintendent

Dr. Cedric Magee
Deputy Superintendent

Eric Green
Associate Superintendent



VWSD Board of Trustees
District 1 - Bryan Pratt
District 2 - Alonzo Stevens
District 3 - James Stirgus, Jr.
District 4 - Linda Patterson
District 5 - Joe Loviza

Request for Proposals (RFP)

Weapon Detection Systems

RFP No. 25-26-04

Delivery Summary Statement

The Vicksburg Warren School District (VWSD) is requesting competitive sealed proposals from qualified companies for the provision and installation of six (6) Artificial Intelligence (AI) Weapon Detection Systems in accordance with the terms, conditions, and specifications outlined herein.

Bids will be opened at 1:00 p.m., Thursday, July 10, 2025, at the Vicksburg Warren School District Central Office Board Room, 1500 Mission 66, Vicksburg, MS 39180.

The contract period will commence upon Board approval and will continue through successful installation and training, including warranty period coverage as specified.

The VWSD reserves the right to accept or reject any and all proposals and to waive any irregularities or informalities in the proposal process.

Specifications

AI Weapon Detection Systems Requirements:

- **Contactless Screening:** Systems must enable efficient, non-intrusive security screening without the need for individuals to empty their pockets or use traditional metal detectors.
- **High-Speed Scanning:** Must accommodate screening of at least 4,000 individuals per hour to maintain operational flow in high-traffic environments.
- **Artificial Intelligence (AI) Integration:** Solutions must incorporate advanced AI and machine learning algorithms to enhance threat detection accuracy and reduce false positives.
- **Data Analytics and Reporting:** Systems must offer comprehensive analytics and reporting capabilities to allow security teams to review, analyze, and improve screening processes.
- **Durability and Mobility:** Systems must be designed for indoor and outdoor use and be portable.
- **Accessibility:** Systems must meet all applicable ADA compliance requirements.
- **Integration Capabilities:** Must be compatible and able to integrate with existing VWSD security infrastructure, including access control and surveillance systems.

Units Requested:

- Total of six (6) AI Weapon Detection Systems

Deadline for Questions:

- Vendors are responsible for monitoring the VWSD website for any addenda issued regarding this RFP.
- Questions concerning this RFP should be submitted in writing via email to:
- Chief Latoria Kerr - lkimble@vwsd.org
- Questions must be received no later than 12:00 p.m. on Friday, June 20, 2025.

Bid Submission Details:

- Proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked: 'RFP No. 25-26-04 – Weapon Detection Systems. **Submit 1 original and 3 copies of the bid.**
- Addressed to: Vicksburg Warren School District, Office of the Superintendent, 1500 Mission 66, Vicksburg, MS 39180.
- Proposals must be received no later than 3:00 p.m. CST on Wednesday, July 2, 2025. All bids will be publicly opened and read aloud immediately following the submission deadline.
- Late submissions will not be considered.

Proposal Content Requirements:

- Detailed specifications of the Weapon Detection Systems being offered.
- A comprehensive cost estimate covering the supply of six (6) units, training, and any additional required equipment.
- References from prior educational or public-sector clients.
- Proposed timeline for procurement, installation, and initial operation.
- Warranty, support, and maintenance terms and conditions.

General Conditions and Specifications VWSD reserves the right to:

- Appoint evaluators
- Reject any/all bids
- Adjust quantities as needed
- Determine the lowest and best qualified bid
- Accept the best value proposal based on service, performance, and not necessarily the lowest price

Evaluation Criteria:

- Compliance with the specified system requirements.
- Cost-effectiveness and overall value.
- Demonstrated experience and expertise with similar security solutions.
- References and documented success in previous implementations.
- Proposed timeline for installation and operational readiness.
- Warranty, maintenance, and support offerings.

Contact Information:

- For inquiries regarding this RFP or submission of proposals, please contact:
- Chief Latoria Kerr, Chief of Security and Safety, Vicksburg Warren School District, lkimble@vwsd.org

By submitting a proposal, the vendor agrees to the terms set forth in this Request for Proposal and acknowledges full compliance with all applicable laws and RFP specifications.

The Vicksburg Warren School District sincerely appreciates your interest and expertise in enhancing the safety and security of our educational institutions.