



**INVITATION FOR BIDS**

**DUE DATE FOR BID: 2:00 pm (ET) March 15, 2022**

Name of School and Address: <b>Cumberland County Schools          Operations Center          810 Gillespie Street          Fayetteville, NC 28306</b>	Item: <b>Absolute® Software or EQUAL TO</b> Bid Number: <b>173-22079</b> Source of Funds: <b>Budgeted Funds, Federal Grants</b>
Refer general bid inquiries in writing to:  Contact Name: <b>Mike Anderson</b> Email: <a href="mailto:mikeanderson@ccs.k12.nc.us">mikeanderson@ccs.k12.nc.us</a> Fax: <b>910-678-2380</b>	Refer equipment/specification inquiries in writing to:  Contact Name: <b>Kevin Coleman</b> Email: <a href="mailto:kevincoleman@ccs.k12.nc.us">kevincoleman@ccs.k12.nc.us</a> Fax: <b>910-678-2530</b>

**Notice to Bidders**

Sealed bids, subject to the conditions made a part hereof, will be received on the day of opening and then opened, for furnishing and delivering the commodity as described herein. Refer to page 2 for proper mailing instructions.

Bids are subject to rejection unless submitted on this form.

**Execution:**

In compliance with this Invitation for Bids, and subject to all the conditions herein, the undersigned offers and agrees to furnish and deliver any or all items upon which prices are bid, at the prices set opposite each item within the time specified herein. By executing this bid, I certify that this bid is submitted competitively and without collusion (GS. 143-54).

**Failure to complete and sign below prior to submittal shall render bid invalid.  
 Late bids are not acceptable.**

BIDDER:	Federal Tax ID or Social Security No:	
Street Address:	PO Box:	
City, State, Zip:	Telephone No:	Fax No:
Type or Print Name & Title of Person Signing:		Date:
Authorized Signature:	E-Mail:	

Offer valid for 45 days from date of bid opening unless otherwise stated here: \_\_\_\_\_ days (See Instructions to Bidders, Item 5). Prompt Payment Discount: \_\_\_\_\_% \_\_\_\_\_ days (See Instructions to Bidders, Item 6).

**Mailing Instructions:** Submit **one (1)** fully executed bid document, unless otherwise instructed, and only one bid per envelope by any of the methods below. **DO NOT EMAIL OR SUBMIT AN ELECTRONIC OR FAXED COPY OF YOUR BID. THIS SHALL BE CAUSE FOR REJECTION OF YOUR BID.** It is the responsibility of the bidder to have the bid in this office by the specified time and date of opening.

<b>Delivered By US Postal Service, FedEx, UPS or other courier service</b>	<b>Hand Delivered</b>
Purchasing Bid #173-22079 Cumberland County Schools 810 Gillespie Street Fayetteville NC 28306 (910) 678-2507	Cumberland County Schools Finance Building Purchasing Department 2491 Gillespie Street Fayetteville, NC 28306
<b>IMPORTANT: The Bid Number from page 1 must be shown on the outside of the envelope.</b>	

**Bid Opening:** Sealed bids are due by the date and time stated on page 1 at which time the bids shall be opened and the names of the bidders read aloud. A bid tabulation will be provided to all bidders after the bids have been evaluated.

**Transportation Charges:** FOB – Destination. Freight charges must be included in price. Delivery shall be made to:

Cumberland County Schools  
Operations Center  
810 Gillespie St.  
Fayetteville, NC 28306  
(910) 678-2507

**Bid Letter Requirement:** With its bid response, the bidder **MUST** provide a letter from Absolute Software Corporation that references this bid number (**173-22079**) and confirms that the bidder is an authorized reseller of the proposed software. For EQUAL TO software proposals, the bidder must provide a letter from the applicable software company that references this bid number (**173-22079**) and confirms that the bidder is an authorized reseller of the proposed software. Failure to provide the authorized reseller certification letter with bid proposal will render bid non-responsive.

**Bid Evaluation:** Bids are requested on the items and/or equipment as hereinafter specified. Bidders are cautioned that any/all information furnished or not furnished on this bid may be used as or in determination of this contract.

<b>Award Criteria:</b> As provided by statute, award will be based on the lowest and best bid(s) (most advantageous to CCS) as determined by consideration of:	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Prices offered.</li> <li>2. Quality of products offered.</li> <li>3. General reputation and performance capabilities of the bidders.</li> <li>4. Conformity with terms and conditions of this Invitation for Bids.</li> <li>5. Delivery/installation schedule offered.</li> <li>6. Durability and Suitability of items for intended use.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7. Functional Equivalency to specifications stated herein.</li> <li>8. Samples, if requested.</li> <li>9. Conformity of Product Specifications.</li> <li>10. Product’s Presentation and Finish</li> <li>11. References</li> </ol>

**Basis for Rejection:** Cumberland County Schools reserves the right to reject any and all offers, in whole or in part, by deeming the offer unsatisfactory as to quality or quantity, delivery, price or service offered: non-compliance with the requirements or intent of this solicitation; lack of competitiveness; error(s) in specifications or indications that revision would be advantageous to Cumberland County Schools; cancellation or other changes in the intended project, or other determination that the proposed requirement is no longer needed; limitation or lack of available funds; circumstances that prevent determination of the best offer; or any other determination that rejection would be in the best interest of Cumberland County Schools.

**Brand Names:** Items referenced and specified herein are based upon a particular manufacturer, but are used for the purpose of identification and to establish a general quality level. Such references are not intended to be restrictive, and functionally equivalent products of other manufacturers will be considered. However, bidders are cautioned that any deviation from specifications must be pointed out in their bid. Functional equivalency shall be determined by Cumberland County Schools (CCS). CCS shall not be obligated to accept deviations if deemed not to be in the best interest of CCS.

**Samples:** Samples are not required prior to bid opening date; however, if required later, bidder agrees to furnish samples of items offered at no expense to CCS within fourteen (14) consecutive calendar days after request is made by CCS. Bids which do not comply with these requirements will be subject to rejection.

**Award of Contract:** It is the general intent to award this contract to a single overall bidder. The right is reserved, however, to make awards on the basis of individual items or groups of items, if such shall be considered by CCS to be most advantageous or to constitute its best interest. Bidders should show unit prices, but are also requested to offer their most favorable total lump sum price.

**Budgetary Limitations:** Should it become necessary, based upon budgetary limitations, CCS reserves the right to reduce or increase quantities. Therefore, bidders must include freight in the “each” pricing for each line item.

**Timeline for Complete Order:** Cumberland County Schools reserves the right to order portions of the total devices in phases, not to exceed 12 months from date the bid is awarded. The price listed must be offered to Cumberland County Schools for the duration of 12 months for additional orders of the product listed in this bid.

**Deviations:** Deviations from specifications and requirements must be documented on a separate sheet and attached to your bid. All items offered are in strict compliance with these specifications and requirements, and successful bidder will be held responsible therefore. Bidder is advised that the response (or lack thereof) on this question does not take precedence over specific responses or non-responses provided elsewhere in this bid.

**Invoices:** Cumberland County Schools is not exempt from North Carolina sales tax. Sales tax should be invoiced as a separate line item. Invoices may be emailed to [invoices@ccs.k12.nc.us](mailto:invoices@ccs.k12.nc.us).

**Late Bids:** Regardless of cause, a late bid will not be accepted and will automatically be disqualified from consideration. It shall be the Vendor’s sole risk to ensure delivery at the designated office by the designated time. Late bids will not be opened and may be returned to the Vendor at the expense of the Vendor or destroyed if requested.

**Confidentiality of Bids:** In submitting its bid, the bidder agrees not to discuss or otherwise reveal the contents of its bid to any source outside of Cumberland County Schools until after the award of the contract. All bidders are advised that they are not to have any communications with CCS during the evaluation of the bids (after the public opening of the bids and before the award of the contract) unless CCS contacts the bidder for the purpose of seeking clarification. A bidder shall not: transmit to the issuing and or using agency any information commenting on the ability or qualifications of any other bidder to provide the advertised equipment, defects, errors and/or omissions in any other bidder’s bid and/or prices at any time during and/or award of the contract that is subject of this IFB. Bidders not in compliance with this provision may be disqualified, at the option of CCS, from the contract award.

**Award Notification:** After the bids have been evaluated and an award has been made, each vendor who submitted a bid will be notified of the award. The award may not be made for several weeks dependent upon the complexity of the acquisition and the length of time to complete the evaluation process. Bidders' offers will be converted to a digital copy by Cumberland County Schools for archive purposes and bidders' original submittals may be destroyed after award notification.

**References:** List below references where your company has supplied software similar to that proposed. Such information may be considered in the evaluation of the bid.

SITE	DATE OF DELIVERY	CONTACT PERSON	PHONE NUMBER

**E-Procurement Fees:** Purchases shall be conducted through the NC E-Procurement service. If not already registered, the awarded bidder must register with NC E-Procurement within two (2) business days of notification of award in order to receive an electronic purchase order resulting from award of this contract. The successful bidder(s) shall pay to NC E-Procurement a transaction fee, currently 1.75% (.0175) on the total dollar amount (excluding sales taxes) of each purchase order issued through the NC E-Procurement service. This applies to all purchase orders, regardless of the quantity or dollar amount of the purchase order.

**FEDERAL UNIFORM GUIDANCE**

This purchase contract will be funded with Federal grants and as such shall be subject to the following additional provisions.

- a.) Debarment and Suspension (Executive Orders 12549 and 12689) – Contractor certifies that during the term of an award for all contracts by Cumberland County Schools (CCS) resulting from this procurement process, the contractor certifies that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation by any federal department or agency.
  
- b.) Termination for Cause and for Convenience by CCS – When Federal funds are expended by CCS, the school system reserves the right to immediately terminate any agreement in excess of \$10,000 resulting from this procurement process in the event of a breach or default of the agreement by Contractor, in the event Contractor fails to: (1) meet schedules, deadlines, and/or delivery dates within the time specified in the procurement solicitation, contract, and/or a purchase order; (2) make any payments owed; or (3) otherwise perform in accordance with the contract and/or the procurement solicitation. The School System also reserves the right to terminate the contract immediately, with written notice to Contractor, for convenience, if the School System believes, in its sole discretion that it is in the best interest of the School System to do so. The Contractor will be compensated for work performed and accepted and goods accepted by the School System as of the termination date if the contract is terminated for convenience of the School System. Any award under this procurement process is not exclusive and the School System reserves the right to purchase goods and services from other vendors when it is in the best interest of the School System.

- c.) Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387J) Compliance - The Contractor certifies that during the term of an award for all contracts by the CCS resulting from this procurement process in excess of \$150,000, the Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401- 7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251- 1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).
- d.) Compliance with Solid Waste Disposal Act – In the event the Contract involves the purchase of more than \$10,000 in items designated by guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency at 40 C.F.R. Part 247, Contractor agrees to comply with the requirements of section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act. In particular, the Contractor certifies that the percentage of recovered materials to be used in the performance of the contract will be at least the amount required by applicable specifications or other contractual requirements.
- e.) Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352) – For an award exceeding \$100,000, the contractor certifies that during the term and after the awarded term of an award for all contracts by the CCS resulting from this procurement process, that it is in compliance with all applicable provisions of the Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352). The contractor further certifies that:
- No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid for on behalf of the contractor, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of a Federal contract, the making of a Federal grant, the making of a Federal loan, the entering into a cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
  - If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal grant or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form- LLL, “Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying”, in accordance with its instructions.
  - The contractor shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all covered sub-awards exceeding \$100,000 in Federal funds at all appropriate tiers and that all sub-recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.
- f.) Access to Records – The contractor agrees to provide the Cumberland County Board of Education / Cumberland County Schools, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, excerpts, and transcriptions. The contractor agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed. The provisions herein are not intended to limit access to records under other relevant N.C. and Federal regulations, such as North Carolina Public Records Law.

- g.) DHS Seal, Logo, and Flags – The Vendor/Contractor shall not use the DHS seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of DHS agency officials without specific FEMA pre-approval. See generally DHS Standard Terms and Conditions, v 3.0, ¶ XXV (2013).
- h.) Compliance with Federal Law, Regulations, and Executive Orders – All parties to this Agreement acknowledge that Federal financial assistance will be used to fund the contract, and not for any other purpose. Additionally, the Vendor/Contractor will comply with all applicable federal law, regulations and executive orders.
- i.) No Obligation by Federal Government – All parties to this Agreement acknowledge that the Federal Government is not a party to this contract and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-Federal entity, contractor, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the contract.
- j.) Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements or Related Acts – The Vendor/Contractor acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chapter 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to the Vendor/Contractor’s actions pertaining to this contract.
- k.) Domestic Preference – As detailed in 2 C.F.R. Part 200.322, as appropriate and to the extent consistent with law, Contractor certifies that, to the greatest extent practicable, the goods, products, or materials furnished through this award will be produced in the United States (including but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products).

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**SPECIFICATIONS AND BID SHEET**

**Absolute® Resilience Software or EQUAL TO**

Quantity: Licensing for +/- **50,000** Lenovo® Chromebooks

**Specifications**

Cumberland County Schools utilizes Lenovo Chromebooks for students with a 1:1 ratio of Chromebooks to students. The approximate student population is 50,000. CCS is requiring software to enable remote and efficient management of these devices with the following minimum capabilities.

- Create a persistent connection to all student devices in order to track their location, both at school and home.
- Ability of authorized CCS personnel to remotely lock any student Chromebook until returned to school
- Ability to send customized screen display messages to any student Chromebook
- Monitor how often Chromebooks are brought into school and display custom lock screen messages if they do not call in for a specified period of time
- Each Chromebook will have historical data stored within the software that will provide usage reports for school personnel and parents
- Provide web usage analytics that will allow CCS to see which websites students are spending their time on, or not, and help them stay engaged with approved online learning tools
- Record recent and historical locations of Chromebooks and provide mapping to law enforcement to assist with locating missing students or Chromebooks
- Software provider to guarantee recovery of stolen Chromebooks or reimburse CCS for a portion of the Chromebook cost. Bidder must provide details of coverage for this feature.

**BIDDER'S OFFER**

Bidder's Name \_\_\_\_\_

(Do not include sales tax in price.)

	1 Year Price	3 Years Price	5 years Price
<b>Software licensing for 50,000 Lenovo Chromebooks</b>			

NOTE: Cumberland County Schools is NOT exempt from sales tax. When invoiced, applicable sales tax should be invoiced as a separate line item.

**Attach detailed coverage information for guaranteed recovery and compensation to CCS for unrecoverable Chromebooks.**

## INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

1. **Read, Review and Comply:** It shall be the bidder's responsibility to read this entire document, review all enclosures and attachments, and comply with all requirements specified herein.
2. **Notice to Bidders:** **DO NOT ATTACH ANY ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS.** By execution and delivery of this document, the bidder agrees that any additional terms and conditions, whether submitted purposely or inadvertently, shall have no force or effect.
3. **Execution:** Failure to sign under EXECUTION section will render bid invalid.
4. **Order of Precedence:** In cases of conflict between specific provisions in this bid, the order of precedence shall be (1) special terms and conditions specific to this bid, (2) specifications, (3) Cumberland County Schools' General Contract Terms and Conditions and (4) Instructions to Bidders.
5. **Time for Consideration:** Unless otherwise indicated on the first page of this document, bidder's offer shall be valid for 45 days from the date of bid opening. Preference may be given to bids allowing not less than 45 days for consideration and acceptance.
6. **Prompt Payment Discounts:** Bidders are urged to compute all discounts into the price offered. If a prompt payment discount is offered, it will not be considered in the award of the contract except as a factor to aid in resolving cases of identical prices.
7. **Specifications:** Any deviation from specifications indicated herein must be clearly pointed out; otherwise, it will be considered that items offered are in strict compliance with these specifications, and bidder will be held responsible therefore. Deviations shall be explained in detail. **The bidder shall not construe this paragraph as inviting deviation or implying that any deviation will be acceptable.**
8. **Information and Descriptive Literature:** Bidder is to furnish all information requested and in the spaces provided in this document. Further, if required elsewhere in this bid, each bidder must submit with their bid, sketches, descriptive literature and/or complete specifications covering the products offered. Bids which do not comply with these requirements will be subject to rejection.
9. **Clarifications/Interpretations:** Any and all questions regarding this document must be addressed to the purchaser named on the cover sheet of this document.
10. **Acceptance and Rejection:** CCS reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids and, unless otherwise specified by the bidder, to accept any item in the bid. If either a unit price or extended price is obviously in error or the other is obviously correct, the incorrect price will be disregarded.
11. **References:** CCS reserves the right to require a list of users of the exact item offered. CCS may contact these users to determine acceptability of the bid. Such information may be considered in the evaluation of the bid.
12. **Award of Contract:** As directed by statute, qualified bids will be evaluated and acceptance may be made of the lowest and best bid most advantageous to CCS as determined upon consideration of such factors as: prices offered; the quality of the articles offered; the general reputation and performance capabilities of the bidders; the substantial conformity with the specifications and other conditions set forth in the bid; the suitability of the articles for the intended use; the related services



needed; the date or dates of delivery and performance; and such other factors deemed by CCS to be pertinent or peculiar to the purchase in question. CCS reserves the right to accept any item or group of items on a multi-item bid.

13. **Historically Underutilized Businesses:** Cumberland County Schools is committed to the State of North Carolina Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Program. CCS invites and encourages participation in this procurement process by businesses owned by minorities, women, disabled, disabled business enterprises and non-profit work centers for the blind and severely disabled.
14. **Confidential Information:** As provided by statute and rule, CCS will consider keeping trade secrets which the bidder does not wish disclosed confidential. Each page shall be identified in boldface at the top and bottom as "CONFIDENTIAL" by the bidder. Cost information shall not be deemed confidential. In spite of what is labeled as a trade secret, the determination whether it is or not will be determined by North Carolina law.
15. **Samples:** Samples of items, when required, must be furnished as stipulated herein, free of expense, and if not destroyed will, upon request be returned at the bidder's expense. Request for the return of samples must be made within 10 days following date of bid opening. Otherwise the samples will become CCS property. Each individual sample must be labeled with the bidder's name, bid number, and item number. A sample, on which an award is made, will be retained until the contract is completed, and then returned, if requested, as specified above.
16. **Acceptance and Rejection:** Cumberland County Schools reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids and, unless otherwise specified by the Vendor, to accept any item in the bid. If either a unit price or extended price is obviously in error or the other is obviously correct, the incorrect price will be disregarded.
17. **Transportation:** Transportation of Deliverables shall be FOB Destination, unless otherwise specified in the solicitation document or purchase order. Freight, handling, hazardous material charges, and distribution and installation charges shall be included in the total price of each item. Any additional charges shall not be honored for payment unless authorized in writing by Cumberland County Schools. In cases where parties, other than the Vendor ship materials against the order, the shipper must be instructed to show the purchase order number on all packages and shipping manifest to ensure proper identification and payment of invoices. A complete packing list must accompany each shipment.

## GENERAL CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. **Availability of Funds:** Any and all payments to the contractor are dependent upon and subject to the availability of funds to the agency for the purpose set forth in this agreement.
2. **Taxes:** Cumberland County Schools is NOT exempt from N.C. sales tax. Any applicable taxes shall be invoiced as a separate item. By execution of the bid document the vendor certifies that it and all of its affiliates, (if it has affiliates); collect the appropriate taxes.
3. **Situs:** The place of this contract, its situs and forum, shall be North Carolina, where all matters, whether sounding in contract or tort, relating to its validity, construction, interpretation and enforcement shall be determined.
4. **Governing Laws:** This contract is made under and shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of North Carolina.
5. **Inspection at Contractor's Site:** Cumberland County Schools (CCS) reserves the right to inspect, at a reasonable time, the equipment/item, plant or other facilities of a prospective contractor prior to contract award, and during the contract term as necessary for CCS' determination that such equipment/item, plants or other facilities conform with the specifications/requirements and are adequate and suitable for the proper and effective performance of the contract.
6. **Payment Terms:** Payment terms are Net 30 days after receipt of correct invoice or acceptance of goods, whichever is later.
7. **Affirmative Action:** The contractor will take affirmative action in complying with all Federal and State requirements concerning fair employment and employment of people with disabilities, and concerning the treatment of all employees without regard to discrimination by reason of race, color, religion, sex national origin or disability.
8. **Condition and Packaging:** Unless otherwise provided by special terms and conditions or specifications, it is understood and agreed that any item offered or shipped has not been sold or used for any purpose and shall be in first class condition. All containers/packaging shall be suitable for handling, storage or shipment.
9. **Standards:** All manufactured items and/or fabricated assemblies subject to operation under pressure, operation by connection to an electric source, or operation involving a connection to a manufactured, natural or LP gas source shall be constructed and approved in a manner acceptable to the appropriate state inspector which customarily requires the label or re-examination listing or identification marking of the appropriate safety standard organization; such as the American Society of Mechanical Engineers for pressure vessels; the Underwriters Laboratories and/or National Electrical Manufacturers' Association for electrically operated assemblies; or the American Gas Association for gas operated assemblies, where such approvals of listings have been established for the type of device offered and furnished. Further, all items furnished shall meet all requirements of the Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA), and state and federal requirements relating to clean air and water pollution.
10. **Patent:** The contractor shall hold and save the CCS, its officers, agents and employees, harmless from liability of any kind, including costs and expenses, on account of any copyrighted material, patented or unpatented invention, articles, device or appliance manufactured or used in the performance of this contract, including use by the government.

11. **Assignment**: No assignment of the contractor's obligation nor the contractor's right to receive payment hereunder shall be permitted. However, upon written request approved by the issuing purchasing authority and solely as a convenience to the contractor, CCS may:
  - a. Forward the contractor's payment check directly to any person or entity designated by the contractor and
  - b. Include any person or entity designated by contractor as a joint payee on the contractor's payment check.

In no event shall such approval and action obligate the Cumberland County Board of Education / Cumberland County Schools to anyone other than the contractor and the contractor shall remain responsible for fulfillment of all contract obligations.

12. **Iran Divestment Act and Divestment from Companies Boycotting Israel**: No contract may be entered into with a restricted company as listed by the State Treasurer in accordance with N.C.G.S. Chapter 147, Articles 6E or 6G, except as permitted by those laws. By entering into this contract ("Contract") and providing materials, equipment or services described in the Contract (the "Work"), Contractor acknowledges and represents that it is not a restricted company as defined in N.C.G.S. Chapter 147, Articles 6E or 6G.
13. **Lunsford Act**: Contractor acknowledges that N.C.G.S. 14-208.18 prohibits anyone required to register as a sex offender from knowingly being present upon the premises of any school, and Contractor shall insure that neither Contractor, its subcontractors, nor its suppliers shall allow any person registered as a sex offender to come on or about the premises of any subject school in any manner or for any reason related to the Work or the Contract.
14. **E-verify**: Contractor shall comply with the requirements of Article 2 of Chapter 64 of the General Statutes. Further, if Contractor utilizes a subcontractor, Contractor shall require the subcontractor to comply with the requirements of Article 2 of Chapter 64 of the General Statutes.
15. **Policy Compliance**: Contractor, its subcontractors and suppliers, shall comply with all Board policies relating to visitors in the schools while engaged in the Work.
16. **E-Procurement Fees: (Applies to all goods contracts that include e-procurement and are identified as such in the body of the solicitation document)**: The successful bidder(s) shall pay a transaction fee of 1.75% (.0175) on the total dollar amount (excluding sales taxes) of each purchase order issued through the North Carolina E-Procurement service.