## RFP 24-0405 Buyback Questions and Responses. Final

Thank you all for your questions – Some of you have summited bids already which have NOT been opened. If any information here impacts your submission, you are welcome to remit an amended proposal or withdraw one that may have been submitted. Everything must be received on or before the opening time and date.

- Do any of these have asset tags on them? Yes, they all do. They also contain a 1"x3" folder label with a student ID
- Do any of these devices have engraving on them? If so, could you provide a photo of the engraving? No engravings or printed logo's. Kid's stickers: in some cases
- When would these devices be available for pickup? After a vendor is selected and the funds are received. (Approx. mid-May)
- What date are you deciding so I may ensure the signature deadline aligns with that date? Within 2 business days of the closing date.
- When were these devices last in use? 6 months ago when they were updated with the latest OS.
- Do you have any sample photos to share? Preferably with a range of good, normal, and worst conditions. **The iPads are all in good shape. Some of the laptops have bruised and slightly bent corners. The laptops are in fair to good condition. They had plastic shell cases on them and were carried in padded cases. Grading them is subjective. Cracked screens in addition to devices heavy top/bottom shell damage have been culled. The iPads** <u>were in Logitech Rugged cases with</u> **keyboards and either stored in a cabinet**(Grades pk-5) or carried in a padded case (Grades 6-8).
- Am I allowed to submit our bid to you via email with the subject line: RFP 24-0405? Please submit a sealed bid by US mail or carrier
  - Talbot County Education Center
  - 12 Magnolia St.
  - Easton MD 21601.
  - Attn: Steve Wilson RFP-24-0405 Decommissioned Device Buyback
- We need to know the exact CPU / Memory and HDD configuration for the apple laptops. 2013 -2015 MacBook Air 5-pack (11-inch/1.6GHz i5/4GB/128GB flash storage/Intel HD Graphics 6000). The (7) 2012 MBA's have 64GB Drives
- Is there any logo printed or engraved on the LID? There are no engravings or printed logo's. There are small inventory tags and some have stickers placed there by students.
- Can you please send me the bid tabulation from the last bid for this type of material. The previous disposal of devices was in smaller lots and were 7-8 years old. This was done in exchange for removing scores of CRT TVs and monitors in addition to non-working printers. No money exchanged hands.
- When will the devices be ready for pickup and are/will they be in a central location? Mid-May is my target date after the funds are transferred and they are at a central location, address above.
- I understand that this is a mail-in format, but would you and your district be open to a quoted offer being emailed? Our state auditors have advised against email bid responses. Not everyone I sent RFP's to is registered with eMaryland marketplace (EMMA) which has a timed digital lockbox for bid submittals
- Are you opposed to a graded (A-F) offer structure, or prefer the "As-Is" lump sum format when it comes to pricing? Grading is a subjective practice, We have allowed time for inspections. Just give me your best price.
- What are the RAM/HD Minis? Mac Mini s are late 2014 8GB or more and 256GB 2.6 GHz
- Storage on the iPad? The iPads were the base model 64 GB Used mostly with online resources,
- Mac Mini configurations
  - Apple Mac mini (Mid 2011) 2.5GHZ / 4GB RAM / 500GB HDD
  - Apple Mac mini (Late 2012) 2.5 GHZ / 4GB RAM / 500GB HDD

## • Apple Mac mini (Late 2014) 2.6GHZ / 8GB RAM / 1TB HDD

- I want to make sure I am interpreting this correctly before submitting a proposal. We are to submit a proposal with a guaranteed amount to be paid on or before pickup date. Then, if after the audit is complete on the equipment and it is in better condition than expected there is room for improvement on that number? We plan to select the highest bid with limited or no contingencies. The payment method needs to be secure: ACH or wire transfer is preferred.
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- I want to submit a bid but there is no form to fill out. Could you kindly send the it over.
  - A letter with the amount being offered for the entire inventory will suffice.