

SOLICITATION/CONTRACT/ORDER FOR COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES

NOTE: OFFEROR TO COMPLETE BLOCKS 12, 17, 23, 24, AND 30.

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2. CONTRACT NUMBER		3. AWARD/EFFECTIVE DATE	4. ORDER NUMBER	5. SOLICITATION NUMBER 140A2326Q0158	
6. SOLICITATION ISSUE DATE 08/05/2026					
7. FOR SOLICITATION INFORMATION CALL: a. NAME Felicia Aspaas			b. TELEPHONE NUMBER (No collect calls) (480) 252-0702		8. OFFER DUE DATE/ LOCAL TIME 08/18/2026 1000 MD
9. ISSUED BY CODE A23 Indian Education Acquisition Office 1011 Indian School Rd. Suite 352A Albuquerque NM 87104			10. THIS ACQUISITION IS ☒ UNRESTRICTED OR ☐ SET ASIDE: % FOR: ☐ SMALL BUSINESS ☐ HUBZONE SMALL BUSINESS ☐ SERVICE-DISABLED ☐ VETERAN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS (SDVOSB) ☐ WOMEN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS (WOSB) ☐ ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED ☐ WOMEN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS (EDWOSB) ☐ 8(A) NORTH AMERICAN INDUSTRY CLASSIFICATION STANDARD (NAICS): 611710 SIZE STANDARD: \$24		
11. DELIVERY FOR FREE ON BOARD (FOB) DESTINATION UNLESS BLOCK IS MARKED ☒ SEE SCHEDULE		12. DISCOUNT TERMS		13a. THIS CONTRACT IS A ☐ RATED ORDER UNDER THE DEFENSE PRIORITIES AND ALLOCATIONS SYSTEM - DPAS (15 CFR 700)	
13b. RATING		14. METHOD OF SOLICITATION REQUEST ☒ FOR QUOTE (RFQ) ☐ INVITATION FOR BID (IFB) ☐ FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)			
15. DELIVER TO CODE A23 See Schedule			16. ADMINISTERED BY CODE A23 See Schedule		
17a. CONTRACTOR/ OFFEROR CODE A23 FACILITY CODE A23			18a. PAYMENT WILL BE MADE BY CODE A23		
TELEPHONE NUMBER			17b. CHECK IF REMITTANCE IS DIFFERENT AND PUT SUCH ADDRESS IN OFFER ☐		
18b. SUBMIT INVOICES TO ADDRESS SHOWN IN BLOCK 18a UNLESS BLOCK BELOW IS CHECKED ☐ SEE ADDENDUM					
19. ITEM NO.	20. SCHEDULE OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES		21. QUANTITY	22. UNIT	23. UNIT PRICE
	ADMINISTERED BY: Indian Education Acquisition Office 1011 Indian School Rd. Suite 352A Albuquerque NM 87104 US The Contractor shall provide Alternate Continued... <i>(Use Reverse and/or Attach Additional Sheets as Necessary)</i>				
25. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA				26. TOTAL AWARD AMOUNT (For Government Use Only)	
☒ 27a. SOLICITATION INCORPORATES BY REFERENCE (FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION) FAR 52.212-1, 52.212-4. ADDENDA FAR 52.212-3 AND 52.212-5 ARE ATTACHED. ☒ ARE ☐ ARE NOT ATTACHED ☐ 27b. CONTRACT/PURCHASE ORDER INCORPORATES BY REFERENCE FAR 52.212-4. FAR 52.212-5 IS ATTACHED. ADDENDA ☐ ARE ☐ ARE NOT ATTACHED					
☒ 28. CONTRACTOR IS REQUIRED TO SIGN THIS DOCUMENT AND RETURN <u>1</u> COPIES TO ISSUING OFFICE. CONTRACTOR AGREES TO FURNISH AND DELIVER ALL ITEMS SET FORTH OR OTHERWISE IDENTIFIED ABOVE AND ON ANY ADDITIONAL SHEETS SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS SPECIFIED			☐ 29. AWARD OF CONTRACT: REFERENCE _____ OFFER DATED: _____. YOUR OFFER ON SOLICITATION (BLOCK 5), INCLUDING ANY ADDITIONS OR CHANGES WHICH ARE SET FORTH HEREIN, IS ACCEPTED AS TO ITEMS:		
30a. SIGNATURE OF OFFEROR/CONTRACTOR			31a. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER)		
30b. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (Type or print)		30c. DATE SIGNED	31b. NAME OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or print)		31c. DATE SIGNED

19. ITEM NO.	20. SCHEDULE OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES	21. QUANTITY	22. UNIT	23. UNIT PRICE	24. AMOUNT
	Assessment for Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) Bureau Operated Schools (BOS). Contractor is to follow and submit quote in accordance to Section E Solicitation Provisions to FAR 52.212-1 Instructions to Offerors Commercial Items. See attached pages for additional information, terms and conditions.				
00010	Base: Alternate Assessment, CAO				
00020	Base: Alternate Travel, CAO				
00030	Base: **Optional Test Item Customization				
00040	Base: **Optional Assessment, CAO				
00050	Base: **Optional Travel, CAO				
00110	OY1: Alternate Assessment, CAO Continued...				

32a. QUANTITY IN COLUMN 21 HAS BEEN

☐ RECEIVED☐ INSPECTED☐ ACCEPTED, AND CONFORMS TO THE CONTRACT, EXCEPT AS NOTED: _____32b. SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED GOVERNMENT
REPRESENTATIVE

32c. DATE

32d. PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED GOVERNMENT
REPRESENTATIVE

32e. MAILING ADDRESS OF AUTHORIZED GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE

32f. TELEPHONE NUMBER OF AUTHORIZED GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE

32g. EMAIL OF AUTHORIZED GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE

33. SHIP NUMBER

34. VOUCHER NUMBER

35. AMOUNT VERIFIED
CORRECT FOR

36. PAYMENT

37. CHECK NUMBER

☐ PARTIAL ☐ FINAL☐ COMPLETE ☐ PARTIAL ☐ FINAL

STOCK RECORD (S/R)

38. S/R ACCOUNT NUMBER

39. S/R VOUCHER NUMBER

40. PAID BY

41a. I CERTIFY THIS ACCOUNT IS CORRECT AND PROPER FOR PAYMENT

41b. SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF CERTIFYING OFFICER

41c. DATE

42a. RECEIVED BY (Print)

42b. RECEIVED AT (Location)

42c. DATE RECEIVED (MM/DD/YYYY)

42d. TOTAL CONTAINERS

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	(Option Line Item) Anticipated Exercise Date				
00120	OY1: Alternate Travel, CAO (Option Line Item) Anticipated Exercise Date				
00130	OY1: **Optional Test Item Customization (Option Line Item) Anticipated Exercise Date				
00140	OY1: **Optional Assessment, CAO (Option Line Item) Anticipated Exercise Date				
00150	OY1: **Optional Travel, CAO (Option Line Item) Anticipated Exercise Date				
00210	OY2: Alternate Assessment, CAO (Option Line Item) Anticipated Exercise Date				
00220	OY2: Alternate Travel, CAO (Option Line Item) Anticipated Exercise Date 0				
00230	OY2: **Optional Test Item Customization (Option Line Item) Anticipated Exercise Date 0				
00240	OY2: **Optional Assessment, CAO (Option Line Item) Anticipated Exercise Date 0				
00250	OY2: **Optional Travel, CAO (Option Line Item) Anticipated Exercise Date				
00310	OY3: Alternate Assessment, CAO (Option Line Item) Anticipated Exercise Date				
00320	OY3: Alternate Travel, CAO (Option Line Item) Anticipated Exercise Date 0				
00330	OY3: **Optional Test Item Customization Continued...				

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	(Option Line Item) Anticipated Exercise Date				
00340	OY3: **Optional Assessment, CA0 (Option Line Item) Anticipated Exercise Date 0				
00350	OY3: **Optional Travel, CA0 (Option Line Item) Anticipated Exercise Date				
00410	OY4: Alternate Assessment, CA0 (Option Line Item) Anticipated Exercise Date				
00420	OY4: Alternate Travel, CA0 (Option Line Item) Anticipated Exercise Date 0				
00430	OY4: **Optional Test Item Customization (Option Line Item) Anticipated Exercise Date				
00440	OY4: **Optional Assessment, CA0 (Option Line Item) Anticipated Exercise Date 0				
00450	OY4: **Optional Travel, CA0 (Option Line Item) Anticipated Exercise Date				

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SECTION B – CONTINUATION

This is a combined synopsis/solicitation for commercial products or commercial services prepared in accordance with Revolutionary FAR Overhaul (RFO) part 12. This announcement constitutes the only solicitation. Offers are being requested and separate written solicitation will not be issued.

This is a *request for quote (RFQ)* in accordance with FAR part 12, Acquisition of Commercial Products and Commercial Services.

NAICS: 611710 Educational Support Service

SB Size Standard: \$24.0 M

Place of Performance: Bureau of Indian Education

Set Aside: Unrestricted

FAC Number: 2026-01

NOTE: Prospective contractors please see section E and review 52.212-1 (Instructions to Offerors) and Evaluation – Comparative Evaluation in their entirety prior to submitting your quote.

1. CONTRACT TYPE

The Department of the Interior (DOI), Bureau of Indian Education (BIE), Division of Acquisitions anticipates awarding a single ***“Firm Fixed Price” with cost reimbursable Travel CLIN*** type purchase order as a result of this opportunity.

2. PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE (POP)

Base of 1 year, with four 1-year options

Contract performance shall be for a base year and four (4) one (1) year option for renewal commencing from date of the award of the contract. Option year renewals shall be by a written modification to the contract and approved by the Contracting Officer.

Option renewals will be on the basis of the existing requirement of the Government, performance of satisfactory service provided during the base year, and contingent upon availability of funds for the appropriate fiscal year.

3. PRICING SUMMARY

In accordance with FAR 52.212-4(k) Taxes, the contract price includes all applicable Federal, State, and local taxes and duties.

The service rate identified is an all-inclusive service fee. All-inclusive is defined as all costs/expenses to include but is not limited to labor, service, supplies, materials, Federal/Local/State tax, travel, and all other fees necessary to complete the work.

Travel CLINs are Cost Reimbursable line items and exercise upon approval. Rate is in accordance with the Federal Travel Regulations (FTR).

-Virtual Rate; provide a quote/rate as an All-inclusive training in accordance to the FTR.

-Onsite Rate; quote will be requested upon approval with additional travel details.

Below pricing schedule will be completed based on completed Excel Pricing Schedule.

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NO.	Description	Total
10	Base Year: Alternate Assessment Service, CAO	\$
20	OY1 Alternate Assessment Service, CAO	\$
30	OY2 Alternate Assessment Service, CAO	\$
40	OY3 Alternate Assessment Service, CAO	\$
50	OY4 Alternate Assessment Service, CAO	\$
	Total:	\$

4. POINTS OF CONTACT (POC)

Contracting Officer (CO) Felicia Aspaas U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Indian Education Division of Acquisitions 1011 Indian School Rd NW Albuquerque, NM 87104 Phone: (480) 252-0702 Email: Felicia.aspaas@bie.edu	Contract Specialist (CS) Felicia Aspaas U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Indian Education Division of Acquisitions 1011 Indian School Rd NW Albuquerque, NM 87104 Phone: (480) 252-0702 Email: Felicia.Aspaas@bie.edu
Contracting Officer Representative (COR) To be added after award	Contractor Point of Contact Name Phone Email Etc

5. INVOICING INSTRUCTIONS

Electronic Invoicing and Payment Requirements - Invoice Processing Platform (IPP) (February 2021)

Payment requests shall be submitted electronically through the U.S. Department of the Treasury's Internet Payment Platform System (IPP). The IPP website address is: <https://www.ipp.gov>

"Payment request" means any request for contract financing payment or invoice payment by the Contractor. To constitute a proper invoice, the payment request must comply with the requirements identified in the applicable Prompt Payment clause included in the contract, or the clause 52.212-4 Contract Terms and Conditions - Commercial Items included in commercial item contracts.

At a minimum a proper invoice shall include:

- Name and address of the Contractor;
- Invoice date and number;
- BIE Contract number;
- Description, quantity, unit of measure, unit price and extended price of the items delivered.
- Shipping number and date of shipment, including the bill of lading number and weight of shipment if shipped on Government bill of lading.
- Terms of any discount for prompt payment offered;
- Name and address of official to whom payment is to be sent;
- Name, title, e-mail and phone number of person to notify in event of defective invoice; and
- Taxpayer Identification Number.

Additional Invoice Requirements:

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- a. The Contractor shall attach an itemized invoice to each IPP payment request.
- b. Do NOT attach progress reports to the IPP payment request. Written Progress Reports which validate the specific work performed shall be submitted directly to the designated school representative.
- c. Invoices shall NOT contain Personal Identifiable Information (PII). PII includes specific information such as but is not limited to student names, dates of birth, etc.
- d. Improper invoice may result in an invoice rejection. The Contractor shall promptly correct invoices upon notice.

The Contractor must use the IPP website to register access and use IPP for submitting requests for payment. The Contractor Government Business Point of Contact (as listed in SAM) will receive enrollment instructions via email from the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston (FRBB) within 3 - 5 business days of the contract award date. If the company SAM registration Point of Contact information is not current or correct, the designated company representative may not receive the email notice. Contractor assistance with enrollment or technical support can be obtained by contacting the IPP Production Helpdesk via email IPPCustomerSupport@fiscal.treasury.gov or phone (866) 973-3131.

6. CONTRACTOR KEY PERSONNEL:

- (a) The Contractor agrees to assign those persons who are necessary to fulfill the requirements of the purchase order as key personnel. No substitutions shall be made except in accordance with this clause.
- (b) All key personnel assigned to work under this contract shall be United States citizens.
- (c) Indian Preference (IP) recruitment and hiring practices apply. Indian is defined as a Native American / Alaska Native individual who is enrolled in a federally recognized Native American Indian tribe of the United States, or eligible direct descendant of an enrolled tribal member. The Contractor shall make every effort to locate and hire qualified and reliable IP applicants, when able. IP includes all subcontracting arrangements, when possible and reasonable.
- (d) Key personnel shall possess the necessary knowledge, skills, and ability to perform the work being requested. This includes physical requirements such as but not limited to prolonged walking, standing, sitting, running, working outside under various weather conditions and time frames.
- (e) Key personnel shall have completed and passed the security clearance process prior to commencement of work. The contractor shall not assign any staff to report onsite for work until clearance has been granted. Contractor shall be found in breach of contract which shall be grounds contract termination if unauthorized staff are found onsite without approved security clearances.
- (f) Key personnel considered essential ("key personnel") to the work performed under this contract shall be mutually agreed upon by the contractor and the Government and will be specified in the purchase order. During the first 120 calendar days of the contract, the Contractor shall make no substitutions of key personnel from the evaluation package unless the substitution is necessitated by illness, death, or termination of employment. Prior to removing, replacing, or diverting any of the specified individuals, the contractor shall promptly notify the Contracting Officer (CO) and provide the information required below:
 - (1) All proposed substitutions shall be submitted to the CO for approval at least 15 calendar days in advance of the proposed effective date (unless substitution is necessitated by sudden illness, death, or termination of employment in which case notice shall be within five (5) calendar days of the effective date) and must provide the information as stated herein.
 - (2) All requests for substitutions shall be in writing unless otherwise agreed to by the CO and shall include a complete resume for the proposed substitute and any other information required by the CO to permit effective evaluation of the proposed substitutions' qualifications.
 - (3) Requests for substitution of "key personnel" above must also provide a detailed explanation of the circumstances necessitating it and sufficient information for the CO to evaluate the impact of the substitution on purchase order performance.

The following individuals are considered to be essential to the work being performed under this purchase order:

NAME

POSITION

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[To be submitted as part of the quote and filled in upon award]

7. CONTRACTOR IDENTIFICATION

Each contract employee shall identify themselves as a Contractor under this contract both orally and in writing. All Contractor emails (to include the emails from the Government account) and all other written correspondences, shall state the following in their signature line:

- The name of the company that they are employed by.
- Clearly identify themselves as a contract employee by stating “Government Contractor.”
- The above identification requirement also applies to the following:
 - Voicemails
 - Placards
 - Office Name Plates
- Any material produced under this contract, if a name of a Contractor is provided within. Under no circumstance shall the Contractor state or imply that they are acting on behalf of the Government.

8. TIME FRAMES AND DELIVERABLES

Background investigations are required in connection with this project. The documentation required to initiate any background investigations required shall be completed and submitted to the BIE within 10 days of the contract award. The Government may take up to 40 days to adjudicate background investigations. This 40-day timeframe has been included in calculations of the period of performance. The Government will grant one day of time extension to the period of performance for each day of delay in adjudication of the background investigation beyond the anticipated 40 days ONLY for investigations where documentation was submitted within 10 days of contract award. For all documentation submitted after the 10-day window, regardless of reason for late submission, the contractor will be solely responsible for all delays related to background investigations. For example, contractor personnel whose background investigations are negatively adjudicated may require the contractor to submit documentation for replacement personnel or routine personnel changes that occur during contract execution may require additional background investigations. It is solely the contractor’s responsibility to submit documentation for background investigations in a time frame that allows for completion within the contract period of performance.

9. SECURITY & INVESTIGATION

Security (information technology, systems, and facility) requirements are enforced. The Contractor and all subcontractors shall remain in compliance with federal policy, regulations, procedures, and laws.

Information Security:

The contractor and all subcontractors shall ensure at all times the safety and protection of personal identifiable information (PII) by using secure networks, VPN portals, and equipment which is security protected. The contractor shall not save any records which contain PII on personal equipment or servers. All records shall be properly archived and disposed of in accordance with federal records management policy and regulation. The Contractor shall be willing to complete all required training provided by the Government such as but not limited to: Annual Information Technology security training.

10. CONFIDENTIALITY

All information obtained as a result of the resultant contract shall be regarded as sensitive information by the Contractor and not to be disclosed to anyone outside the Contractor’s organization without the written permission of the Contracting Officer.

11. PERMITS AND LICENSES

The Contractor shall be responsible for obtaining any necessary licenses and permits, and for complying with any Federal, State, and municipal laws, codes, and regulations applicable to the performance of the work.

12. POLICIES AND GUIDANCE

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All work performed by the Contractor must adhere to the policies and guidance in the following manuals, see attachments.

The Government reserves the right to add to, change and or remove any of the policies listed.

13. SAFETY & HEALTH

The Contractor shall comply with all installation safety regulations when on site. Such regulations include, but are not limited to, general safety, fire prevention, and waste disposal. Copies of policy, procedure, and regulations are on file in the activity safety office or may be obtained through the COR.

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE): The Contractor shall be responsible for providing their personnel with adequate training for all potential hazards that their personnel may encounter while performing services in a school setting to ensure safety. Contractor personnel shall utilize PPE as appropriate in a school setting and as required by policy, OSHA, and other regulating bodies. The Contractor shall ensure that assigned staff have been trained on proper use of PPE to ensure that staff know when it is necessary; what kind is necessary; how to properly put it on, adjust, and take it off; limitations of equipment; proper care, maintenance, useful life, and safe disposal of equipment.

Immunizations: Contractors shall be current and willing to provide evidence of the following immunizations.

- MMR Immunization (measles, mumps, and rubella)
 - Individuals born on or after 1957 can be considered immune and shall provide documentation of physician-diagnosed measles, laboratory evidence of measles immunity, or adequate immunization with two doses of live measles vaccine on or after their first birthday.
 - Individuals born prior to 1957 need not be considered susceptible; measles vaccine or proof of immunity is therefore not required.
- Tdap-Tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis or, current Td booster.
- Polio
- Annual TB (tuberculosis) test results as negative

Illness: At no time shall a Contractor enter school property when sick and/or experiencing symptoms of infectious disease or illness such as nausea, vomiting, fever, chills, coughing, etc. Please consult with the Contracting Officer Representative to discuss symptoms, as necessary.

14. GOVERNMENT FURNISHED PROPERTY / EQUIPMENT

The Contractor is responsible for possessing all equipment and supplies necessary to complete the work.

The Government will provide an identification badge to any on-site visitor. Contractor shall ensure its employees comply with security policies regarding the identification badges. The employee shall surrender identification badges to the security officer at the end of contract or on-site visit. The Contractor shall possess and provide a valid and current photo ID issued by the state DMV, upon request.

The Government shall not be liable for theft, damage to, and/or loss of contractor personal items, property, or equipment.

15. USE OF GOVERNMENT COMPUTER SYSTEM

All personnel accessing the Government computer systems can expect their computer activities to be monitored. There should be no reasonable expectation of privacy in the use of any Department of the Interior system. The following notice is posted and provided to each individual upon entry into the IA computer system:

“THIS IS A NOTICE OF MONITORING OF DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR INFORMATION SYSTEMS. This system and all related equipment may be used only for official US Government business and limited personal use authorized in the Department of the Interior Policy on Limited Personal Use of Government Office Equipment. Notwithstanding this or any other policy guidance, this system may not be connected to the Internet, in any way, unless authorized by the Office of the Secretary. Unauthorized use of this computer system will subject you to disciplinary action or other penalties. Use of this system constitutes consent to monitoring for this purpose.”

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Property Rights – IA will own the intellectual property rights to any software developed on its behalf and will retain the right to use, modify, reproduce, perform, display, release, or disclose the data in whole or in part for any purpose, or to have or authorize others to do so. Generally, FAR 52.227-14 Rights in Data-General (May 2014), and its alternates will be used in the contract. However, deviation from this policy may be necessary as circumstances warrant. IA data may not be removed from premises without COR written authorization.

The Contractor shall not be allowed to keep any IA Trust Data or copies of Trust Data, reports (draft or final copies). At the time of completion of the project, the Contractor will return electronic and hard copy data and documents which the Contractor created under this Service Contract.

16. DISSEMINATION OF CONTRACT PERFORMANCE INFORMATION

The Contractor must not publish, permit to be published, or distribute for public consumption, any information, oral or written, concerning the results or conclusions made pursuant to the performance of this contract, without the prior written consent of the Contracting Officer. Any material proposed to be published or distributed must be submitted to the Contracting Officer for approval.

17. MANDATORY REQUIREMENT FOR CONTRACTOR RETURN OF ALL DOI-OWNED AND LEASED COMPUTING AND INFORMATION STORAGE EQUIPMENT

- (a) Within sixty (60) days after the end of the contract performance period or after the contract is suspended or terminated by DOI or by the Contractor for any reason; or within a time period approved by DOI, the Contractor must return all DOI-owned and leased computing and information storage equipment.
- (b) Within seventy-five (75) days after the end of the contract performance period or after the contract is suspended or terminated by DOI or the Contractor for any reason, the Contractor must provide DOI with Certification of Verified Return of all DOI-Owned and Leased Computing and Information Storage Equipment. This certification must be provided by a third-party firm approved by DOI in advance. All costs and resource allocations required for this third-party service must be the sole responsibility of the Contractor.

18. DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION

Information made available to the Contractor by the Government for the performance or administration of this effort shall be used only for those purposes and shall not be used in any other way without the written agreement of the Contracting Officer

If the Contractor is uncertain about the availability or proposed use of information provided for the performance or administration, the Contractor shall consult with the COR regarding use of that information for other purposes.

The Contractor agrees to assume responsibility for protecting the confidentiality of Government records, which are not public information. Each offeror or employee of the Contractor to whom information may be made available or disclosed shall be notified in writing by the Contractor that such information may be disclosed only for a purpose and to the extent authorized herein. The Contractor assumes responsibility for maintaining knowledge of and compliance with all Federal, state, and local laws, policies, and procedures regarding data confidentiality and privacy, such as the Federal Education Rights to Privacy Act.

All Contractor employees shall sign and submit a copy of the Non-Disclosure Agreement. The Non-Disclosure agreement that will be required to be signed will be provided after award.

The details of any security safeguards that the Contractor may design or develop under this contract are the property of the Government and shall not be published or disclosed in any manner without the Contracting Officer's written consent. Likewise, the details of any security safeguards that may be revealed to the Contractor by the Government in the course of performances under this contract shall not be published or disclosed in any manner without the Contracting Officer's written consent. Any information made available in any format shall be used only for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this contract. Information contained in such materials shall not be divulged or made known in any manner to any person except as may be necessary in the performance of this contract. Disclosure to anyone other than an authorized officer or employee of the Contractor shall require written approval of the Contracting Officer.

Any information with personal identifiers shall be accounted for upon receipt and properly stored before, during and after processing. In addition, all related output shall be given the same level of protection as required for source materials.

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The Contractor shall be held liable for any and all damages resulting from any inappropriate disclosure of information/data by its employees or via any system used by the Contractor. Should the Contractor become aware of the need for additional safeguards, the Contractor must immediately notify the COR.

19. NON-PERSONAL SERVICES AND INHERENTLY GOVERNMENTAL FUNCTIONS

Pursuant to FAR 37.1, no personal services shall be performed under this PWS. All work requirements shall flow only from the COR to the Contractor Program Manager. No Contractor employee will be directly supervised by the Government. All individual employee assignments, and daily work direction, shall be given by the applicable Contractor supervisor. If the Contractor believes any Government action or communication has been given that would create a personal services relationship between the Government and any Contractor employee, the Contractor shall promptly notify the Contracting Officer of this communication or action.

Pursuant to FAR 7.5, the Contractor shall not perform any inherently governmental actions under this PWS. No Contractor employee shall hold him or herself out to be a Government employee, agent, or representative. No Contractor employee shall state orally or in writing at any time that he or she is acting on behalf of the Government. In all communications with third parties in connection with this PWS, Contractor employees shall identify themselves as Contractor employees and specify the name of the company for which they work. In all communications with other Government Contractors in connection with this PWS, the Contractor employee shall state that they have no authority to in any way change this PWS and that if the other Contractor believes this communication to be a direction to change their contract, they should notify the Contracting Officer for that contract and not carry out the direction until a clarification has been issued by the Contracting Officer.

The Contractor shall insure that all of its employees working on this PWS are informed of the substance of this article. Nothing in this article shall limit the Government's rights in any way under the other provisions of this PWS, including those related to the Government's right to inspect and accept the services to be performed under this PWS. The substance of this article shall be included in all subcontracts at any tier.

20. Personal Conflicts of Interest and Procurement Integrity

The Contractor shall ensure that all personnel assigned to the contract sign permanent nondisclosure agreements and procurement integrity certifications as required by the Contracting Officer. All personnel assigned any resulting task(s) shall immediately notify the Contracting Officer in writing of any potential conflicts of interest that may be perceived through their performance on the resulting task(s). The Contracting Officer will determine if the particular individual or group of individuals will be excluded from any task(s). In the event such a determination is made, the Contracting Officer will provide immediate oral notification (followed by written notification within five calendar days thereafter) of the individuals and the situation that precludes their performance under the resulting task(s). The Contractor shall immediately (within five calendar days after receipt of oral notification) remove the individual(s) from the task(s) and identify their replacement. Potential organization conflicts of interest issues shall be carefully scrutinized and dealt with in accordance with FAR 9.5 "Organizational and Consultant conflicts of Interest".

21. FOOD, LODGING, EXPENSES

The Contractor shall be responsible for its own food, lodging, and other personal expenses.

22. RIGHTS TO DATA

(a) Any Government information made available or to which access is provided and which is marked or should be marked "For Official Use Only" or "FOUO" shall be used only for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this contract and shall not be divulged or made known in any manner to any person except as may be necessary in the performance of the contract. Disclosure to anyone other than an officer or employees of the Contractor or Subcontractor at any tier shall require prior written approval of the Contracting Officer. Requests to make such disclosure should be addressed to the Contracting Officer.

(b) Contractors are reminded that information furnished under this solicitation may be subject to disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). Therefore, all items that are confidential to business, or contain trade secrets, proprietary information, or personnel information must be clearly marked. Marking of items will not necessarily preclude disclosure when the U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM or the Government) determines disclosure is warranted by FOIA. However, if such items are not marked, all information contained within the submitted documents will be deemed to be releasable.

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(c) Any information made available to the Contractor by the Government must be used only for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this contract and must not be divulged or made known in any manner to any person except as may be necessary in the performance of the contract.

(d) In performance of this contract, the Contractor assumes responsibility for protection of the confidentiality of Government records and must ensure that all work performed by its subcontractors shall be under the supervision of the Contractor or the Contractor's responsible employees.

(e) Each officer or employee of the Contractor or any of its subcontractors to whom any Government record may be made available or disclosed must be notified in writing by the Contractor that information disclosed to such officer or employee can be used only for a purpose and to the extent authorized herein, and that further disclosure of any such information, by any means, for a purpose or to an extent unauthorized herein, may subject the offender to criminal sanctions imposed by 19 U.S.C. 641. That section provides, in pertinent part, that whoever knowingly converts to their use or the use of another, or without authority, sells, conveys, or disposes of any record of the United States or whoever receives the same with intent to convert it to their use or gain, knowing it to have been converted, shall be guilty of a crime punishable by a fine of up to \$10,000, or imprisoned up to ten years, or both.

24. CONTRACT CLOSEOUT

The contract closeout process shall begin as soon as possible after the contract is physically completed. This means that the contractor has delivered the required supplies/services and the Government has inspected and accepted them. At the outset of this process, the Contractor and Government shall review the contract funds status of any excess funds the Government might de-obligate.

Partial Closeout: Upon expiration of a contract line-item number (CLIN) the Contractor and Government shall perform partial closeout to de-obligate excess funds, as applicable. The Government will execute a bilateral modification and present it to the Contractor for signature. The Contractor shall review and process the modification in a timely manner. In the event of a discrepancy, the Contractor shall promptly notify and work with the Government to quickly resolve the discrepancy to allow for closeout.

Final Closeout: Upon expiration of the contract, base year and each exercised option, the Contractor and Government shall commence with final contract closeout. The Government will execute a bilateral modification to de-obligate excess funds and present to the Contractor for signature. The Contractor shall review and process the modification in a timely manner. In the event of a discrepancy, the Contractor shall promptly notify and work with the Government to quickly resolve the discrepancy to allow for closeout.

CPARS: This contract is subject to Contractor performance assessment reporting. The Contractor shall ensure that full cooperation is being provided to allow for timely completion if past performance evaluations.

Payment and Claims: To allow for closeout, the Contractor shall submit all invoices and claims in a timely manner during contract performance as well as submit a final invoice upon completion of the base year and each exercised option year. The Contractor shall actively monitor invoices or claims submitted to the Government to ensure all payments due were received.

25. CONTRACTING OFFICER REPRESENTATIVE

Monitoring of Contractor's performance shall be demonstrated through administrative and physical reviews. The Contracting Officer Representative (COR) will be responsible for verifying contract compliance and shall designate appropriate personnel to monitor services. The role of program and technical personnel in monitoring the contract is to assist and advise the Contracting Officer, and act as the COR when so designated by the Contracting Officer.

COR duties include the following activities:

- Serve as the primary liaison between the contractor and the Contracting Officer.
- Ensure consistency among multiple CORs under a single contract when providing guidance to the contractor and evaluating the contractor's performance.
- Maintain a complete working file for the assigned contractual instrument.
- Monitor and evaluate the contractor's performance and make timely reports of your findings to the Contracting Officer.
- Complete interim and final evaluations of the contractor's performance through CPARS.
- Provide the Contracting Officer with copies of all written correspondence (including electronic communications) with the contractor.

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- Inform the Contracting Officer of substantive oral communications (e.g., telephone conversations) with the contractor and provide notes and/or summaries of them as requested.
- Inspect and evaluate products (including reports and drafts) and services delivered by the contractor, and make recommendations to the Contracting Officer regarding their acceptability.
- Review and approve/reject contractor's invoices.
- Monitor the contractor's use of key personnel and notify the Contracting Officer of any changes in key personnel proposed by the contractor.
- Review the qualifications of proposed subcontractors and the appropriateness of subcontracting work and make recommendations to the Contracting Officer regarding consent to the placement of subcontracts.
- Provide the contractor with, monitor the use of, and report on Government-furnished property.
- Provide technical guidance to the contractor.
- Promptly notify the Contracting Officer immediately of any:
 - o Actual or potential contractor performance problems.
 - o Action or inaction by BIE personnel that may affect the contractor's ability to perform; and
 - o Inappropriate action on the part of BIE personnel with regard to the contract (e.g., any action that creates a conflict of interest on the part of the contractor or causes the contractor to perform inherently governmental functions). The COR should concurrently notify the program office of any such action.
- As requested by the Contracting Officer, provide him/her with technical assistance on contract-related matters (e.g., disputes, settlements, litigation, patent and copyright issues, final payment during closeout, etc.).
- Provide timely reports on contractor performance to the Contracting Officer and other interested parties; and
- Ensure proper distribution of final products and other information resulting from the contract.
- Initiate and complete interim and final past performance evaluations in CPARS.

The COR is not authorized to take any action that requires a Contracting Officer's warrant, including:

- Changing any of the contract terms and conditions.
- Directing the contractor to perform work or make deliveries not specifically required under the contract.
- Waiving or relaxing, in any way, the Government's rights with regard to the Contractor's compliance with the specifications, price, delivery or any other terms or conditions of the contract; and
- Making any commitments or approving any actions that would create any financial obligation on the part of the Government.

Applicable changes will require a modification to this contract prior to a change occurring.

26. CULTURAL BACKGROUND:

Some of the schools receiving services under this contract may speak a native language and/or reside on a Native American Indian Reservation. The Contractor is expected to demonstrate sensitivity to cross-cultural and language difference.

SECTION C – CONTRACT CLAUSES

1. FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (FAR) CLAUSES

52.252-2 Clauses Incorporated by Reference (Feb 1998)

This contract incorporates one or more clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. Also, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at this address:

FAR: [FAR Overhaul - FAR Part Deviation Guidance | Acquisition.GOV](#) or www.acquisition.gov.

DIAR: <https://www.acquisition.gov/diar/part-1452-solicitation-provisions-and-contract-clauses>

(End of clause)

CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE		
CLAUSE	Title	Date
52.203-6 with Alt I	Restrictions on Subcontractor Sales to the Government	Jun 2020

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52.203-17	Contractor Employee Whistleblower Rights	Nov-2023
52.203-19	Prohibition on Requiring Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements or Statements	Jan-2017
52.204-9	Personal Identity Verification of Contractor Personnel (DEVIATION)	Mar-2026
52.204-13	System for Award Management—Maintenance (DEVIATION)	Mar-2026
52.209-6	Protecting the Government’s Interest When Subcontracting with Contractors Debarred, Suspended, or Proposed for Debarment (DEVIATION)	May-2026
52.209-10	Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations (DEVIATION)	May-2026
52.212-4	Contract Terms And Conditions – Commercial Items (DEVIATION)	Mar-2026
52.219-4	Notice of Price Evaluation Preference for HUBZone Small Business Concerns (DEVIATION)	Jan-2026
52.222-3	Convict Labor (DEVIATION)	May-2026
52.222-35	Equal Opportunity for Veterans (DEVIATION)	May-2026
52.222-40	Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act (DEVIATION)	May 2026
52.222-41	Service Contract Labor Standards (DEVIATION)	May-2026
52.222-42	Statement of Equivalent Rates for Federal Hires (DEVIATION)	May-2026
52.222-43	Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Labor Standards-Price Adjustment (Multiple Year and Option Contracts) (DEVIATION)	May-2026
52.222-50	Combating Trafficking in Persons (DEVIATION)	May-2026
52.222-54	Employment Eligibility Verification (DEVIATION)	May-2026
52.222-62	Paid Sick Leave Under Executive Order 13706 (DEVIATION)	May-26
52.222-90	Addressing DEI Discrimination by Federal Contractors (DEVIATION)	May 2026
52.224-3	Privacy Training	Jan-2017
52.226-8	Encouraging Contractor Policies to Ban Text Messaging While Driving (DEVIATION)	Mar-2026
52.227-14	Rights in Data-General	May-2014
52.232-33	Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer—System for Award Management	Oct-2018
52.232-40	Providing Accelerated Payments to Small Business Subcontractors	Mar-2023
52.233-4	Applicable Law for Breach of Contract Claim	Oct-2004
52.240-91	Security Prohibitions and Exclusions (DEVIATION)	Mar-2026
52.240-93	Basic Safeguarding of Covered Contractor Information Systems (DEVIATION)	Mar-2026

Clauses Incorporated by full text

52.217-8 Option to Extend Services (Nov 1999)

The Government may require continued performance of any services within the limits and at the rates specified in the contract. These rates may be adjusted only as a result of revisions to prevailing labor rates provided by the Secretary of Labor. The option provision may be exercised more than once, but the total extension of performance hereunder shall not exceed 6 months. The Contracting Officer may exercise the option by written notice to the Contractor within 5 days prior to expiration of the contract.

(End of clause)

52.217-9 Option to Extend the Term of the Contract. (MAR 2000)

(a) The Government may extend the term of this contract by written notice to the Contractor within 30 days; provided that the Government gives the Contractor a preliminary written notice of its intent to extend at least 30 days before the contract expires. The preliminary notice does not commit the Government to an extension.

(b) If the Government exercises this option, the extended contract shall be considered to include this option clause.

(c) The total duration of this contract, including the exercise of any options under this clause, shall not exceed 5 years and 6 months.

(End of clause)

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52.224-1 Privacy Act Notification (APR 1984)

The Contractor shall ensure that all personnel assigned to the contract sign permanent nondisclosure agreements and procurement integrity certifications as required by the Contracting Officer. All personnel assigned any resulting task(s) shall immediately notify the Contracting Officer in writing of any potential conflicts of interest that may be perceived through their performance on the resulting task(s). The Contracting Officer will determine if the particular individual or group of individuals will be excluded from any task(s). In the event such a determination is made, the Contracting Officer will provide immediate oral notification (followed by written notification within five calendar days thereafter) of the individuals and the situation that precludes their performance under the resulting task(s). The Contractor shall immediately (within five calendar days after receipt of oral notification) remove the individual(s) from the task(s) and identify their replacement. Potential organization conflicts of interest issues shall be carefully scrutinized and dealt with in accordance with FAR 9.5 "Organizational and Consultant conflicts of Interest".

(End of clause)

52.232-18 Availability of Funds (Apr 1984)

Funds are not presently available for this contract. The Government's obligation under this contract is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds from which payment for contract purposes can be made. No legal liability on the part of the Government for any payment may arise until funds are made available to the Contracting Officer for this contract and until the Contractor receives notice of such availability, to be confirmed in writing by the Contracting Officer.

(End of clause)

52.232-19 Availability of Funds for the Next Fiscal Year (April 1984)

Funds are not presently available for performance under this contract beyond (TBD) . The Government's obligation for performance of this contract beyond that date is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds from which payment for contract purposes can be made. No legal liability on the part of the Government for any payment may arise for performance under this contract beyond (TBD) , until funds are made available to the Contracting Officer for performance and until the Contractor receives notice of availability, to be confirmed in writing by the Contracting Officer.

(End of clause)

52.233-3 Protest after Award. (Aug 1996)

(a) Upon receipt of a notice of protest (as defined in FAR 33.101) or a determination that a protest is likely (see FAR 33.102(d)), the Contracting Officer may, by written order to the Contractor, direct the Contractor to stop performance of the work called for by this contract. The order shall be specifically identified as a stop-work order issued under this clause. Upon receipt of the order, the Contractor shall immediately comply with its terms and take all reasonable steps to minimize the incurrence of costs allocable to the work covered by the order during the period of work stoppage. Upon receipt of the final decision in the protest, the Contracting Officer shall either-

(1) Cancel the stop-work order; or

(2) Terminate the work covered by the order as provided in the Default, or the Termination for Convenience of the Government, clause of this contract.

(b) If a stop-work order issued under this clause is canceled either before or after a final decision in the protest, the Contractor shall resume work. The Contracting Officer shall make an equitable adjustment in the delivery schedule or contract price, or both, and the contract shall be modified, in writing, accordingly, if-

(1) The stop-work order results in an increase in the time required for, or in the Contractor's cost properly allocable to, the performance of any part of this contract; and

(2) The Contractor asserts its right to an adjustment within 30 days after the end of the period of work stoppage; *provided*, that if the Contracting Officer decides the facts justify the action, the Contracting Officer may receive and act upon a proposal at any time before final payment under this contract.

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€ If a stop-work order is not canceled and the work covered by the order is terminated for the convenience of the Government, the Contracting Officer shall allow reasonable costs resulting from the stop-work order in arriving at the termination settlement.

(d) If a stop-work order is not canceled and the work covered by the order is terminated for default, the Contracting Officer shall allow, by equitable adjustment or otherwise, reasonable costs resulting from the stop-work order.

€ The Government's rights to terminate this contract at any time are not affected by action taken under this clause.

(f) If, as the result of the Contractor's intentional or negligent misstatement, misrepresentation, or miscertification, a protest related to this contract is sustained, and the Government pays costs, as provided in FAR 33.102(b)(2) or 33.104(h)(1), the Government may require the Contractor to reimburse the Government the amount of such costs. In addition to any other remedy available, and pursuant to the requirements of subpart 32.6, the Government may collect this debt by offsetting the amount against any payment due the Contractor under any contract between the Contractor and the Government.

(End of clause)

Alternate I (June 1985). As prescribed in 33.106 (b), substitute in paragraph (a)(2) the words "the Termination clause of this contract" for the words "the Default, or the Termination for Convenience of the Government clause of this contract." In paragraph (b) substitute the words "an equitable adjustment in the delivery schedule, the estimated cost, the fee, or a combination thereof, and in any other terms of the contract that may be affected" for the words "an equitable adjustment in the delivery schedule or contract price, or both."

2. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR ACQUISITION REGULATION (DIAR) CLAUSES

1452.201-70 Authorities and Delegations (Sep 2011)

(a) The Contracting Officer is the only individual authorized to enter into or terminate this contract, modify any term or condition of this contract, waive any requirement of this contract, or accept nonconforming work.

(b) The Contracting Officer will designate a Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) at time of award. The COR will be responsible for technical monitoring of the contractor's performance and deliveries. The COR will be appointed in writing, and a copy of the appointment will be furnished to the Contractor. Changes to this delegation will be made by written changes to the existing appointment or by issuance of a new appointment.

(c) The COR is not authorized to perform, formally or informally, any of the following actions:

(1) Promise, award, agree to award, or execute any contract, contract modification, or notice of intent that changes or may change this contract;

(2) Waive or agree to modification of the delivery schedule;

(3) Make any final decision on any contract matter subject to the Disputes Clause;

(4) Terminate, for any reason, the Contractor's right to proceed;

(5) Obligate in any way, the payment of money by the Government.

(d) The Contractor shall comply with the written or oral direction of the Contracting Officer or authorized representative(s) acting within the scope and authority of the appointment memorandum. The Contractor need not proceed with direction that it considers to have been issued without proper authority. The Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer in writing, with as much detail as possible, when the COR has taken an action or has issued direction (written or oral) that the Contractor considers to exceed the COR's appointment, within 3 days of the occurrence. Unless otherwise provided in this contract, the Contractor assumes all costs, risks, liabilities, and consequences of performing any work it is directed to perform that falls within any of the categories defined in paragraph (c) prior to receipt of the Contracting Officer's response issued under paragraph (e) of this clause.

(e) The Contracting Officer shall respond in writing within 30 days to any notice made under paragraph (d) of this clause. A failure of the parties to agree upon the nature of a direction, or upon the contract action to be taken with respect thereto, shall be subject to the provisions of the Disputes clause of this contract.

(f) The Contractor shall provide copies of all correspondence to the Contracting Officer and the COR.

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(g) Any action(s) taken by the Contractor, in response to any direction given by any person acting on behalf of the Government or any Government official other than the Contracting Officer or the COR acting within his or her appointment, shall be at the Contractor's risk.

(End of clause)

3. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR ACQUISITION REGULATION (DIAR) CLAUSES

1452.204-70 Release of Claims - Department of the Interior (JUL 1996)

After completion of work and prior to final payment, the Contractor shall furnish the Contracting Officer with a release of claims against the United States relating to this contract. The Release of Claims form (DI-137) shall be used for this purpose. The form provides for exception of specified claims from operation of the release.

(End of clause)

4. CUSTOM CLAUSES

Option for Test Item Customization

The Government may require additional Test Item Customization service for a single grade within the current period of performance, at the rate specified in the purchase order. This option may be exercised more than once. The Contracting Officer may exercise this option by providing written notice to the Contractor at least **30 days** before the end of the current period of performance and completed within the same period of performance in which the option is exercised.

Option for Interim Assessments

The Government may require additional Interim Assessment services within the current period of performance, at the rates specified in the purchase order. This option may be exercised more than once. The Contracting Officer may exercise this option by providing written notice to the Contractor at least **30 days** before the end of the current period of performance and complete within the same period of performance in which the option is exercised.

Contractor Performance Assessment Reporting System (December 2015)

- 1) FAR 42.1502 directs all Federal agencies to collect past performance information on contracts. The Department of the Interior (DOI) has implemented the Contractor Performance Assessment Reporting System (CPARS) to comply with this regulation. One or more past performance evaluations will be conducted in order to record your contract performance as required by FAR 42.15.
- 2) The past performance evaluation process is a totally paperless process using CPARS. CPARS is a web-based system that allows for electronic processing of the performance evaluation report. Once the report is processed, it is available in the Past Performance Information Retrieval System (PPIRS) for Government use in evaluating past performance as part of a source selection action.
- 3) We request that you furnish the Contracting Officer (CO) with the name, position title, phone number, and email address for each person designated to have access to your firm's past performance evaluation(s) for the contract no later than 30 days after award. Each person granted access will have the ability to provide comments in the Contractor portion of the report and state whether or not the Contractor agrees with the evaluation, before returning the report to the Assessing Official (AO). Information in the report must be protected as source selection sensitive information not releasable to the public.
- 4) When your Contractor Representative(s) are registered in CPARS, they will receive an automatically generated email with detailed login instructions. Further details, systems requirements, and training information for CPARS is available at <https://www.cpars.gov/>.

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- 5) Within 60 days after the end of a performance period, the AO will complete an interim or final past performance evaluation, and the report will be accessible at <https://www.cpars.gov/>.
 - a. Contractor Representatives may then provide comments in response to the evaluation, or return the evaluation without comment.
 - b. Your comments should focus on objective facts in the AO's narrative and should provide your views on the causes and ramifications of the assessed performance.
 - c. All information provided should be reviewed for accuracy prior to submission.
 - d. If you elect not to provide comments, please acknowledge receipt of the evaluation by indicating "No comment" in the space provided, and then selecting "Accept the Ratings and Close the Evaluation".
 - e. Your response is due within 60 calendar days after receipt of the CPAR. On day 15, the evaluation will become available in PPIRS-RC marked as "Pending" with or without comments and whether or not it has been closed.
 - f. If you do not sign and submit the CPAR within 60 days, it will automatically be returned to the Government and will be annotated: "The report was delivered/received by the contractor on (date). The contractor neither signed nor offered comment in response to this assessment."
- 6) The following guidelines apply concerning your use of the past performance evaluation:
 - a. Protect the evaluation as source selection information. After review, transmit the evaluation by completing and submitting the form through CPARS. If for some reason you are unable to view and/or submit the form through CPARS, contact the CO for instructions.
 - b. Strictly control access to the evaluation within your organization. Ensure the evaluation is never released to persons or entities outside of your control.
 - c. Prohibit the use of or reference to evaluation data for advertising, promotional material, pre-award surveys, responsibility determinations, production readiness reviews, or other similar purposes.
- 7) If you wish to discuss a past performance evaluation, you should request a meeting in writing to the CO no later than seven days following your receipt of the evaluation. The meeting will be held in person or via telephone or other means during your 60-day review period.
- 8) A copy of the completed past performance evaluation will be available in CPARS for your viewing and for Government use supporting source selection actions after it has been finalized.

(End of Clause)

BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION (Revised 04/01/2020)

In accordance with 25 U.S.C. § 3201 et seq. (Pub. L. 101-630), the *Indian Child Protection and Family Violence Prevention Act*; 34 U.S.C. § 20351, et seq. (Pub. L. 101-647), the *Crime Control Act of 1990*, as amended; and 441 Departmental Manual, *Personnel Security and Suitability Requirements*, all positions with duties and responsibilities involving regular contact with or control over Indian children are subject to a background investigation and determination of suitability for employment. Accordingly, all such positions require a favorable background screening by the Bureau of Indian Education (BIE), Personnel Security and Suitability Program and a favorable background investigation by the Defense Counterintelligence Service Agency (DCSA).

The documentation required to initiate a background investigation shall be completed for any Contractor employee that will be onsite during the contract's performance or have access to Personally Identifiable Information (PII). The complete submittal of the background investigation paperwork to the BIA/BIE will be accomplished within 14 days after contract award for service contracts or, for construction contracts, before a Notice to Proceed (NTP) is issued by the Contracting Officer. Pending the successful completion of a background investigation by the BIA/BIE and/or DCSA, the Contractor who has been granted a favorable screening (applicant and suitability) determination must, at all times, remain within sight and under the supervision of a Government employee (or other person designated by the Contracting Officer Representative (COR), who has successfully completed the background investigation.

If an unfavorable screening (applicant and suitability) determination is made, an employee shall not be allowed onsite. If the Contractor's employees are found onsite, without the proper authorization, the employee will face

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legal liability and the Contractor may have their contract terminated for default. Additionally, the individual and/or the company who proposed to employ this individual may be determined to be non-responsible if an unfavorable screening (applicant and suitability) determination is made and may be deemed ineligible for contract award. If an unfavorable final background investigation determination is made, the contract may be terminated and the employee in question shall not be authorized to provide service to the BIA/BIE if the services involve contact with or regular control over Indian children.

It is solely the COR's responsibility to initiate background checks for all Contractors and their employees in the BIE BEARCUBS system, which includes but is not limited to appropriate investigative forms and/or inquiries about their previous investigation; and, obtain a screening (applicant and suitability) determination, and subsequent final background investigation.

The Contracting Officer will consult with the COR when questions arise as to whether or not the scope of work of a contract requires background investigations for contractor personnel. If the Contracting Officer or COR believes the scope of work performed by contract personnel should not require a background investigation, the Personnel Security Officer will be contacted for concurrence and has the final authority to determine if background investigation(s) are required.

(End of Clause)

REPORTING MATTERS INVOLVING FRAUD, MISMANAGEMENT, WASTE AND ABUSE

Anyone who becomes aware of the existence or apparent existence of fraud, waste and abuse in DOI funded programs is encouraged to report such matters to the DOI Inspector General's Office in writing or on the Inspector General's Hotline. The toll-free number is 1-800-424-5081. All telephone calls will be handled confidentially. One may also fill out an online form at <http://www.doi.gov/oig/index.cfm>. Additionally, the IG may be contacted through its mailing address:

U.S. Department of the Interior
Office of Inspector General
1849 C Street NW - Mail Stop 4428
Washington, D.C. 20240

(End of Clause)

SECTION D – DOCUMENTS, EXHIBITS AND ATTACHMENTS

Attachment Number	Title	Notes
1	Scope of work	
2	Price Schedule	
3	DOI IT Baseline Compliance	
4	Security Objectives-Services Level Agreement	
5	PAM_OCIO Memo Acquisition of IT Cloud Services Policy	
6	Definitions	
7	Standards	
8	Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA)	

SECTION E – SOLICITATION PROVISIONS

1. FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (FAR) PROVISIONS

52.252-1 Solicitation Provisions Incorporated by Reference (Feb 1998)

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This solicitation incorporates one or more solicitation provisions by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. The offeror is cautioned that the listed provisions may include blocks that must be completed by the offeror and submitted with its quotation or offer. In lieu of submitting the full text of those provisions, the offeror may identify the provision by paragraph identifier and provide the appropriate information with its quotation or offer. Also, the full text of a solicitation provision may be accessed electronically at this address: www.acquisition.gov.

End of Provision

PROVISIONS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE		
CLAUSE	Title	Date
52.203-11	Certification and Disclosure Regarding Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions	Sep 2024
52.203-18	Prohibition on Contracting with Entities that Require Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements or Statements-Representation	Jan 2017
52.204-7	System for Award Management—Registration (DEVIATION)	Mar-2026
52.204-19	Incorporation by Reference of Representations and Certifications (DEVIATION)	Mar-2026
52.217-5	Evaluation of Options	Nov1999
52.225-25	Prohibition on Contracting with Entities Engaging in Certain Activities or Transactions Relating to Iran-Representation and Certifications	Jun 2020
52.229-11	Tax on Certain Foreign Procurements—Notice and Representation (DEVIATION)	Oct 2025
52.240-90	Security Prohibitions and Exclusions Representations and Certifications. (DEVIATION)	Mar 2026

52.209-2 Prohibition on Contracting With Inverted Domestic Corporations-Representation. (MAR 2026)

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this clause—

Inverted domestic corporation means a foreign incorporated entity that meets the definition of an inverted domestic corporation under 6 U.S.C. 395(b), applied in accordance with the rules and definitions of 6 U.S.C. 395(c).

Subsidiary means an entity in which more than 50 percent of the entity is owned—

- (1) Directly by a parent corporation; or
- (2) Through another subsidiary of a parent corporation.

(b) Government agencies are not permitted to use appropriated (or otherwise made available) funds for contracts with either an inverted domestic corporation, or a subsidiary of an inverted domestic corporation, unless the exception at 9.108-3(b) applies or the requirement is waived in accordance with the procedures at 9.108-5.

(c) *Representation.* The Offeror represents that-

- (1) It ☐ is, ☐ is not an inverted domestic corporation; and
- (2) It ☐ is, ☐ is not a subsidiary of an inverted domestic corporation.

(End of provision)

FAR 52.212-1 Instructions to Offerors – Commercial Products and Commercial Services (MAR 2026)

Continuation – Quote Preparation Instructions

1. Solicitation Response Instructions and Conditions:

Quotes submitted in response to Solicitation #140A2326Q0158 must be formatted in accordance with all directions and details stated herein. Failure to follow any of the directions previously stated or stated

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throughout this solicitation will deem the offer unacceptable, and as such, the offeror may be eliminated from competition.

Section 1	Page Limitation
Proposal Cover Page	1 Page
Table of Contents	1 Page
Acknowledgement Page	1 Page
Factor 1 – Experience	6 Pages
Factor 2 – Management and Technical Approach	15 Pages
Factor 3 – Pricing	1 Electronic Copy of Attachment 2 – Pricing Schedule (Excel) Additional 3 pages where offeror can provide additional information on pricing and applicable terms.

All sections within the quote shall be marked appropriately. Contractor's quote that exceed the stated limitations herein will not be evaluated past the stated limitations above. All pages shall be numbered under each section. The page numbering shall start over for each section, so that there is no question about whether each section has followed the stated limitations.

1.1. Quotation Cover Page to include the following:

- Company Name
- Period of Performance
- Contractor's Address
- Company Tax ID Number
- SAM Unique Entity ID
- CAGE Number
- Point-of-contact information
- Solicitation number to which the proposal applies
- NAICS Code under which this opportunity is being solicited

1.2 Acknowledgement page shall include the following:

- Statement of Acknowledgement that the Offeror has received and reviewed all the documents (including the base solicitation and all amendments, appendices, attachments and all other documents for this opportunity) that were available on SAM.gov.
- Statement of Acknowledgement that the offeror understands and guarantees their proposal, whether it be the original, or revised after formal negotiations take place, for a period of 90 days of receipt by the government of their final offer.
- The name and contact information of an individual who is the authorized POC for all correspondences, for pre-award communications.
- A signature from an authorized individual, which must include the individual's name, title, signature and date.

1.3. Response Preparation Costs:

The Government shall not be liable for any costs incurred by the offeror for the preparation and submission of the Proposal in response to this opportunity.

1.4. Late Responses:

An offeror who misses the deadline for the submission of the proposal will not be accepted, nor will it be evaluated unless authorized by law.

1.5. Page Set-up:

The proposal must be set-up in accordance with the following standards:

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- Size of Paper - Standard Letter Size Paper shall be used (8.5" x 11")
- Spacing - Single Spaced
- Margins - 1-inch margins around the entire paper
- Font - Times New Roman
- Font Size - 12 point

Tables may use font 11.

1.6. Contents of Each Section:

The required contents for each section are as follows:

Section 1 – Non-Cost/Price Factors

Non-price Information: To permit a thorough and effective evaluation, the proposal should be precise and complete. Inclusion of any important considerations not covered by this request is encouraged. The non-price proposal should provide as much detail as needed to reflect a clear understanding of the nature of the work being undertaken, the obstacles that can be anticipated, and the solutions needed to achieve BIE's objectives. Statements to the effect that the Offeror understands and will comply with the Scope of Work in whole or in part, phrases such as "standard procedures will be used" or "well-known techniques will be utilized," and generalities of textbook theories and techniques will not constitute compliance with the requirements concerning the content of the technical proposal. It is essential that the Offeror presents their proposal information in sufficient detail to permit the BIE to make an evaluation of the technical proposal without further information being required from the Offeror.

Factor 1 – Experience

Offerors should include their experience in providing Software as a Service and/or platform services to a large, diverse organization comprising over 180 schools in 23 states. Additionally, the offeror shall have demonstrated experience in complex data migration between systems/platforms. Offeror should have demonstrated ability to effectively deliver systems training to a variety of end users ranging from novice to expert in technology application.

Additionally, all experiences should provide specific examples highlighting any work completed within Indigenous communities and/or schools with high populations of Indigenous students. The offeror shall also demonstrate a thorough understanding of the requirements of the scope of work and how their experience will lead to future success under this requirement including any creative suggestions for additional areas of focus not included in the scope of work that would enhance the overall scope of the contract.

Factor 2 – Management and Technical Approach

The offeror shall include information on the management and technical approach of the company as it relates to this requirement, to include information on order management, processing requirements, quality control techniques and overall management approach of the contract to ensure timelines and deadlines are met under contract.

The offeror shall address its understanding of the work, including a thoroughness shown in understanding the objectives of the SOW, specific tasks under each component activity, and planned execution of the project.

The offeror's proposal must demonstrate a thorough understanding and proven expertise performing similar activities of the same size and scope. Also, for consideration, are the offeror's understanding and compliance with relevant statutes and regulations in meeting RFP requirements.

Factor 3 – Pricing

Summary Statement

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The offeror may submit a statement which summarizes their total quoted price. This statement may go into detail on any explanations that the offeror wishes to provide on their quoted price overall or for specific items.

Pricing Technical Evaluation Instructions (Additional Instructions for Offerors)

To support a complete and accurate Firm-Fixed-Price (FFP) with a cost reimbursable travel CLIN evaluation, offerors shall submit a complete pricing package that includes

- (1) the Government-provided Pricing Schedule,
- (2) a written price development description, and
- (3) a detailed Excel spreadsheet showing all pricing calculations.

The totals in all three documents must match. Any inconsistencies may result in the price being evaluated as incomplete.

Service CLIN (FFP) – Provide measurable quantities (description of all deliverables, assessments, work units, hours, sessions, etc.), unit rates, and subtotals. The purpose of this requirement is to allow the Government to understand how the FFP rate was calculated, ensure accuracy, and evaluate for unbalanced pricing.

Travel CLIN (Cost Reimbursable) – Provide basis of estimate in both the written description and Excel spreadsheet (estimated trips, destinations (in person training are usually hosted in Albuquerque, NM), trip duration, rate assumptions consistence with the Federal Travel Regulation (FTR). While the Travel CLIN is Cost Reimbursable, the Government requires insight into how the proposed amount was derived to evaluate reasonableness.

2. Questions:

All questions must be submitted in accordance with the following:

- Type of Transmission: Email
- To Whom: Felicia.aspaas@bie.edu
- By When: August 11, 2026; 10:00am Mountain Daylight Time (MD)
- Email Subject: “140A2326Q0158 – Questions - Company Name”
- Email Format: Each Question Must be Numbered Individually (1, 2, etc.) and be in a Microsoft Word document referencing the solicitation or SOW page and section

Any questions received after this date will not be answered or addressed, unless the Contracting Officer determines that the concern brought forth is substantial and requires attention.

All questions asked by the due date stated above will be answered in the form of an amendment to the solicitation.

3. Quote Submission Details:

All proposals must be submitted in accordance with the following:

- Acceptable Methods of Delivery: Email
- To Whom: Felicia.aspaas@bie.edu
- By When: August 18, 2026; 10:00am Mountain Daylight Time (MD)
- Email Subject: “140A2326Q0158 – Quote – Company Name, Email 1 of X” if multiple emails are required due to size limitations. A reply will be sent back confirming receipt within 1 business day.

Evaluation – Comparative Evaluation

(a) Offers will be evaluated in accordance with RFO Part 12 and will include comparative evaluations. The Government will award a firm fixed price with cost reimbursable Travel CLIN purchase order (PO) resulting from

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this solicitation to the responsible quote whose quote conforming to the solicitation will be the most advantageous to the Government, price and other factors considered. The Government reserves the right to award to other than the lowest proposed price or the highest rated non-price offer. The following factors shall be used to evaluate quotes:

Factor 1 – Experience

Basis of Evaluation: The Government will evaluate the offeror on their overall experience in this line of work, specifically in the experience and capabilities that are related to this requirement. The government will consider their depth and breadth of experience to include any work completed within Indigenous communities and/or schools with high populations of Indigenous students. The Government will also evaluate the contractor's demonstrated understanding of the requirement to include main tasks identified within the SOW. The Government must be confident that the incumbents' previous experience will lead to future success.

Factor 2 – Management and Technical Approach

Basis of Evaluation: The Government will evaluate the offeror on their management and technical approach. The Government will evaluate the proposal's overall management as it pertains to the requirements identified in the SOW to ensure the offeror's capability, quality control techniques and overall management approach of the contract guarantees timelines and deadlines are met under the contract. The Government will further evaluate the offeror's overall understanding of the work, including thoroughness shown in understanding the SOW, specific tasks, populations served, and planned implementation and execution of the project.

Factor 3 – Pricing

Basis of Evaluation: The Government will evaluate price for completeness, reasonableness, and balance. The Government anticipates that through adequate competition, price reasonableness will be determined. The Total Evaluated Price will be the total quoted price corresponding to the SOW. The Government may consider unbalanced pricing to be unreasonable; quoters are encouraged to incorporate a reasonable escalation rate year-over-year.

(b) Acceptable offers will be compared against each other to determine which offer provides the best value for the Government. The government reserves the right to consider a response that offers more than the minimum and select that response if it provides a benefit to the government. The government has the discretion to accept other than the lowest priced offeror that provides those additional benefits.

(c) The Government shall provide a written notice of award and a Purchase Order, mailed or otherwise furnished to the successful vendor within the effective time of the quote. The awardee's signature on the Purchase Order or substantial of performance of the Purchase Order shall result in a binding contract.

(End of Provision)

2. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR ACQUISITION REGULATION (DIAR) PROVISIONS

1452.215-71 Use and Disclosure of Proposal Information - Department of the Interior (APR 1984)

(a) Definitions. For the purposes of this provision and the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552), the following terms shall have the meaning set forth below:

(1) "Trade Secret" means an unpatented, secret, commercially valuable plan, appliance, formula, or process, which is used for making, preparing, compounding, treating or processing articles or materials which are trade commodities.

(2) "Confidential commercial or financial information" means any business information (other than trade secrets) which is exempt from the mandatory disclosure requirement of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552. Exemptions from mandatory disclosure which may be applicable to business information contained in proposals include exemption (4), which covers "commercial and financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential," and exemption (9), which covers "geological and geophysical information, including maps, concerning wells."

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(b) If the offeror, or its subcontractor(s), believes that the proposal contains trade secrets or confidential commercial or financial information exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, (5 U.S.C. 552), the cover page of each copy of the proposal shall be marked with the following legend:

“The information specifically identified on pages _____ of this proposal constitutes trade secrets or confidential commercial and financial information which the offeror believes to be exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act. The offeror requests that this information not be disclosed to the public, except as may be required by law. The offeror also requests that this information not be used in whole or part by the government for any purpose other than to evaluate the proposal, except that if a contract is awarded to the offeror as a result of or in connection with the submission of the proposal, the Government shall have the right to use the information to the extent provided in the contract.”

(c) The offeror shall also specifically identify trade secret information and confidential commercial and financial information on the pages of the proposal on which it appears and shall mark each such page with the following legend:

“This page contains trade secrets or confidential commercial and financial information which the offeror believes to be exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act and which is subject to the legend contained on the cover page of this proposal.”

(d) Information in a proposal identified by an offeror as trade secret information or confidential commercial and financial information shall be used by the Government only for the purpose of evaluating the proposal, except that (i) if a contract is awarded to the offeror as a result of or in connection with submission of the proposal, the Government shall have the right to use the information as provided in the contract, and (ii) if the same information is obtained from another source without restriction it may be used without restriction.

(e) If a request under the Freedom of Information Act seeks access to information in a proposal identified as trade secret information or confidential commercial and financial information, full consideration will be given to the offeror's view that the information constitutes trade secrets or confidential commercial or financial information. The offeror will also be promptly notified of the request and given an opportunity to provide additional evidence and argument in support of its position, unless administratively unfeasible to do so. If it is determined that information claimed by the offeror to be trade secret information or confidential commercial or financial information is not exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, the offeror will be notified of this determination prior to disclosure of the information.

(f) The Government assumes no liability for the disclosure or use of information contained in a proposal if not marked in accordance with paragraphs (b) and (c) of this provision. If a request under the Freedom of Information Act is made for information in a proposal not marked in accordance with paragraphs (b) and (c) of this provision, the offeror concerned shall be promptly notified of the request and given an opportunity to provide its position to the Government. However, failure of an offeror to mark information contained in a proposal as trade secret information or confidential commercial or financial information will be treated by the Government as evidence that the information is not exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, absent a showing that the failure to mark was due to unusual or extenuating circumstances, such as a showing that the offeror had intended to mark, but that markings were omitted from the offeror's proposal due to clerical error.

(End of provision)

DIARS 1452.233-2 Service of Protest Department of the Interior. (Jul 1996)

A copy of the protest served on the Contracting Officer shall be simultaneously furnished by the protester to the Department of the Interior Assistant Solicitor, Acquisitions and Intellectual Property, 1849 C Street, NW, Room 6511, Washington, DC 20240.”

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(End of provision)