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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

**The following are questions and responses regarding
RFQ No 6104.1 Before and After School Childcare for Montgomery County Public Schools**

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| Question 1 | Do current providers have to fill out the RFQ? |
| Answer 1 | <i>If you want to participate in the subsequent RFPs for specific schools, then you must participate in this RFQ to become qualified and eligible for consideration.</i> |
| Question 2 | Is there a list of the schools for the RFP? |
| Answer 2 | <i>The list of schools will be provided when the RFP is issued.</i> |
| Question 3 | Do we need to sign the Facility Usage Agreement? Or just provide “deviations” if we have any? |
| Answer 3 | <i>The Facility Usage Agreement (Attachment A) was provided for information purposes as part of this RFQ. It will become a requirement of the subsequent RFP.</i> |
| Question 4 | Is there a particular area of focus around content being offered during the before and after school hours? We are an art education focused organization and curious if the student population has a strong interest in performing and creative arts. |
| Answer 4 | <i>The list of schools will be provided when the RFP is issued, which will include school specific Parent Survey Results.</i> |
| Question 5 | Is there a particular demographic or population being targeted for services? |
| Answer 5 | <i>The list of schools will be provided when the RFP is issued. School specific profile information can be found in the following link https://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/school-profiles.</i> |
| Question 6 | Does the approved provider need to possess a childcare license to provide the requested services? |
| Answer 6 | <i>Yes</i> |
| Question 7 | Once approved, what is the payment schedule for services? Will a portion of the contract amount be awarded at the initial start of services? |
| Answer 7 | <i>Parents/guardians will pay for the program. The district does not pay for child care tuition.</i> |
| Question 8 | How soon after being awarded through the RFP process will we be expected to obtain a permit from CUPF? |
| Answer 8 | <i>The vendor must apply to CUPF directly for the permit. The district does not participate in the permitting process.</i> |

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| Question 9 | Is methods of transportation for dismissal required from provider or will it be provided by MCPS? Does it look favorably for vendors to provide means of transportation? |
| Answer 9 | <i>MCPS does not provide transportation for before and after school child care services. The list of schools will be provided when the RFP is issued, which will include school specific Parent Survey Results.</i> |
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| Question 10 | How long do programs run each day? |
| Answer 10 | <i>This is decided by the provider when they agree to terms with CUPF.</i> |
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| Question 11 | What ages are served? |
| Answer 11 | <i>Elementary school aged students</i> |
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| Question 12 | Do you currently have providers in your schools? If so, who are your current providers? |
| Answer 12 | <i>The list of schools will be provided when the RFP is issued, which will include school specific information.</i> |
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| Question 13 | Can we provide a truncated list of programs in Maryland that illustrates our reach? |
| Answer 13 | <i>Child care providers decide what information to provide.</i> |
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| Question 14 | Can you clarify what you mean by providing full-day services on school closure days? Are you referring to holiday breaks or additional closures? |
| Answer 14 | <i>MCPS school closure days refer to the following: holidays, MCPS systemwide closures days, planned non-instructional days, and inclement weather days.</i> |
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