

REQUEST FOR BID TO CONTRACT SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES MERIDIAN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 101

INTENT

This invitation is for the purpose of entering into a contract with a Pupil Transportation Services Company, hereinafter referred to as the "Contractor", for furnishing transportation services for Meridian Community Unit School District 101 hereinafter referred to as the "District". Statements, items and criteria set forth herein are minimal standards to be provided in bid submissions and contractual arrangements.

The submission of a bid by a contractor will be construed as an indication that he is fully informed as to the extent and character of the service required and can offer the services satisfactorily in compliance with the specifications.

BID SUBMISSIONS, AWARD AND FORM

Sealed bids are to be submitted on or before **April 1, 2011, at 12:00 Noon** at the Administrative Offices, Meridian Community Unit Schools, 208 Valley Road, Mounds, Illinois 62964, at which time the bids will be opened publicly. **Bidders must submit two (2) copies of each of the bids on the forms provided with these specifications.** All bids submitted must be valid for a minimum period of sixty (60) days after the date set for the bid opening.

The Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, or parts thereof, to accept alternate bids in lieu of base bid proposals, and to waive technicalities, irregularities or defects in any proposal. All bids shall be deemed final, conclusive and irrevocable, and no bid shall be subject to correction or amendment for any error or miscalculation. A bidder may withdraw a bid at any time prior to the time specified in the Bid Document as the closing time for the receipt of proposals. However, no bidder shall withdraw or cancel a bid for a period of [sixty (60) or ninety (90)] calendar days after the closing time for the receipt of bids, nor shall the successful bidder withdraw or cancel or modify a bid after having been notified by the District that said bid has been accepted by the Board. Any bidder that withdraws, amends, or cancels a bid within said [sixty (60) or ninety (90)] calendar day period shall forfeit the bid deposit/bid bond.

Award of Contract will be made by District on the basis of the bid which, in the District's sole and absolute judgment, will best serve the interests of the District. The contract will be awarded, if at all, to the lowest responsible bidder meeting specifications as determined by the Superintendent and Board of Education of the District. While the financial responsibility of the Contractor is a significant concern, the District is equally concerned with the proven ability of the Contractor to satisfactorily perform his contract so that the service will be provided in accordance with proposed contract documents. The actual dollar cost of the proposal submitted by each bidder may NOT be the sole criterion for determining the best bid. Other important terms to be considered are terms of delivery, quality, and serviceability.

Bids must be contained in a sealed envelope, with the name and address of the bidder on the outside of the envelope. The envelope must be marked:

"Sealed Bid-Transportation Services" Attention:
Mr. Terry Moreland, Superintendent

Any bids received after the date and time specified will be returned to the Contractor. The bidder assumes the risk of any delay in the handling and delivering of mail. All costs for preparing and submitting bids are entirely the responsibility of the Contractor and will not be chargeable in any manner to the District.

The base bid must be submitted on the Base Bid Forms or legible reproductions thereof, and the prices shall be based on the costs to operate the entire transportation system for the District. Any explanation or statement which the Contractor wishes to make must be placed in the same envelope with the base bid but shall be written separately and independently of the base bid and attached thereto. Unless the Contractor so indicates, it is understood that the Contractor has bid in strict accordance with the specification requirements. The fuel costs shall be included in the base bid, to be paid entirely by the Contractor (no cap shall be set on fuel costs).

TERMS, RENEWAL AND TERMINATION

This three year contract effective July 1, 2011, shall be in effect for the school years 2011-12, 2012-13, 2013-14 with two (2) options to renew, each for one additional year exercisable at the discretion of the District for the school years 2014-15 and 2015-16 with the stipulation that the option for the 2014-15 be exercised no later than March 1, 2014 and the option for the year 2015-16 be exercised no later than March 1, 2015. The Contractor cannot assign this contract or any renewal hereof to any other entity unless it receives prior written consent of the District.

The District may, upon written notice to the Contractor, terminate this Contract in the event that the Contractor, its agent or employees, at any time fail:

- A. To comply with any condition of this Contract
- B. To operate ninety-five (95%) percent of all routes on schedule
- C. To furnish all of the equipment and drivers required by this Contract

The District shall give notice to Contractor of such failure by delivery of written notice to Contractor's Notice address. In the event the Contractor does not remedy such failure within five (5) business days from the receipt of notice by it, then at the option of the District, this Contract may be cancelled in whole or in part by delivery to the Contractor of written notice of such election.

In the event of cancellation, the Contractor shall remain liable to the District for any cost for student transportation in excess of the cost that would have come due as payment to the Contractor had the Contractor's Contract not been cancelled. Such liability shall continue to be assessed and calculated through the end of the contractual period, and the Contractor's liability for payment of said costs will survive termination, cancellation, or expiration of this Contract.

Payment for such liability may, at the option of the District, be made from the Performance Bond and/or from any other source of Contractor's funds that the District may elect to attach or otherwise encumber.

This Contract may also be terminated prior to its expiration under any of the following circumstances:

- A. In the event the Contractor shall breach or be in default under the insurance provisions of this Contract, the District may terminate this Contract immediately without affording the Contractor an opportunity to cure the breach or default. Written notice of termination shall be provided to Contractor's Notice address.
- B. In the event the Contractor shall have (1) filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy or made an assignment for the benefit of creditors; (2) consented to the appointment of a receiver or trustee of all or part of its property; (3) an involuntary petition in bankruptcy shall have been filed in regard to Contractor and the petition shall not have been dismissed within ten (10) days of such filing, the Contract shall automatically terminate.
- C. Should Contractor abandon or neglect the service, or if at any time the District is convinced that the service is unreasonable or that the conditions of this Contract are being violated, executed carelessly, or in bad faith, the District may notify the Contractor in writing, then, and in that case, the Contractor shall discontinue all work under this Contract and the District shall have full authority to make arrangements for the reassignment of duties and obligations arising under this Contract.

Should the District find the Contractor in non-compliance with the relevant provisions of this Contract, on a run or series of runs, the Contractor shall forfeit the right to collect payment for all such deficient service. And, further, the District may elect to assign the route or routes to another party or entity of the District's selection.

Should the Contractor abandon or neglect the service, or if at any time the District is convinced that the service is unreasonable or that the conditions of the Contract are being willfully violated, executed carelessly, or in bad faith, the District shall notify the Contractor in writing, and if the Contractor does not remedy the problem(s) within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of the notice, then, and in that case, the Contractor shall, upon written notification of the District, discontinue all work under the contract five (5) days after the date of such written notice and the District shall have full authority, at its option, to terminate the Transportation Service Contract.

The District shall not be responsible for any losses resulting if the fulfillment of the terms of the Contract shall be delayed or prevented by wars, acts of public enemies, strikes, fires, floods, acts of God, or any other acts which could not have been prevented by the exercise of due diligence.

The Contractor shall at all times throughout the term of this Contract and any extensions thereof, observe and comply with, and ensure that all transportation services, vehicles, and personnel comply with each and every law, rule, regulation, and statute of the Federal Government, State of Illinois, Illinois State Board of Education, District, Regional Superintendent, and each local municipality in which the vehicles will be operated. The following laws must be complied with, but are identified for reference only, and in no way is this list all inclusive:

- A. Illinois Human Rights Act
- B. Equal Opportunity Act
- C. Illinois Criminal Code
- D. Americans with Disabilities Act
- E. The School Code of the State of Illinois
- F. The Illinois Motor Vehicle Code
- G. Rules promulgated by the U.S. and Illinois Departments of Transportation
- H. The Occupational Safety and Health Act and the standards and regulations issued there under
- I. The Consumer Product Safety Act

The Contractor, in performing this Contract, shall not discriminate against any worker, employee, or applicant, or any member of the public because of race, creed, color, sex, or national origin, or any additional reason prohibited by law, or otherwise commit any unfair employment practices.

During the entire term of the contract, the Contractor shall comply with every condition, term, recommendation, definition, instruction, rule and requirement of every nature of all statutes and regulations of the State of Illinois affecting or regulating the transportation of school children, including but not limited to the Motor Vehicle Code, The School Code, and the rules promulgated by the Illinois Office of Education and Department of Transportation including but not limited to ISBE Bulletin A-No. 171 and any revision of Bulletin A-No. 171

The terms and conditions of the contract will be considered to be no longer in force if declared illegal by the State of Illinois or by the court having jurisdiction over the contract. The Contractor will have no recourse against the District if the contract is declared illegal as stated above.

The Contract shall be deemed to be made in and shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Illinois. All references in this document to the "State" shall mean the State of Illinois.

QUALIFYING AS A TRANSPORTATION SERVICE CONTRACTOR

- A. The individual firm, partnership or corporation (parent or subsidiary company) making a bid shall provide written evidence that it has been in continued existence in school transportation services for a period of the last five (5) years. A Bidder's resume, designating the nature and scope of its operations, its years of operation, selected clientele list, and any additional information deemed appropriate for inclusion by the bidder.
- B. A list identifying a minimum of five (5) school districts or similar customers for whom the Contractor is currently providing services of the nature sought herein. Said list must include the District name, contact name, address, phone number, and a brief description of the services provided and length of services.
- C. The Contractor shall provide a list of contracts that the firm has defaulted on in the past seven (7) years.
- D. Names, qualifications, education, and experience of the Contractor's personnel who will be assigned to support the District's transportation program.
- E. Company organization chart and annual report for the last year.
- F. A narrative containing the bidder's experience in providing quality services of the nature sought herein. The bidder shall discuss and demonstrate its dedication, commitment, and resources designed to provide services including, but not limited to the following:
 - a. Evidence of satisfactory performance and operation for other institutions.
 - b. Experience in providing such services for schools.
 - c. Employee motivational programs.
 - d. Training and in-service development education.
 - e. Written standards, procedures, policies, schedules, and records.
 - f. Technical and specialized support personnel (e.g. labor relations representative, human resource personnel, and training specialists).
- G. Information relating to the average fleet age of the vehicles proposed to be used by the bidder, together with bidder's certification of compliance with the minimum "Equipment" requirements set forth in the Contract and/or bidder's request for waiver there from.
- H. Hiring policies used in the selection and training of personnel to be used in fulfilling the requirements of the District's Contract. Contractor shall also supply to the District a statement or copy of the policies concerning drug and alcohol use and testing. Further, the Contractor shall provide written assurances that it will, to the extent possible, use those employees that are familiar with the District's routes, students, customs, and policies.
- I. All other pertinent information demonstrating the bidder's capability to successfully perform and provide the requested services in an educational environment similar to that of the District.
- J. In the event subcontractors are to be employed, provide a written narrative describing the rationale used for utilizing those resources for the purpose of the Contract.

- K. The Contractor shall, before submitting his bid, carefully examine the Bid and Specifications. He shall familiarize himself with all the local conditions affecting the Contract.
- L. The Contractor must submit his bid on the enclosed forms.
- M. The successful Contractor must agree to execute the Contract. By submitting a bid, a contractor expressly agrees to comply with all terms and conditions contained in the Contract and the additional Bid Documents. Requirements and provisions set forth in these Specifications, the Contract, and other Bid Documents are expressly deemed to be supplemental and of and to each other, and no provision set forth in any of said documents may be interpreted in a manner whereby they limit or restrict, in any manner or to any degree, the terms, provisions, or requirements of any other such document.
- N. All Contractors shall provide a bid bond, certified, or cashier's check in the amount of five (5) percent of the total amount of the bid (estimate to provide transportation for one year). This bid bond shall be presented to the District with the bid or at the time of public bid opening as specified in this document. The bid bond or check of the Contractor with the winning bid will be returned with the copy of the signed contract. If a contractor withdraws a bid within the thirty (30) days after the date set for bid opening, the Contractor shall forfeit the bid bond. All remaining bid bonds shall be returned to the Contractor after the Contract has been awarded by the Board of Education.
- O. The Board of Education reserves the right to require, from the successful Contractor, a performance bond covering each year of the contract equal to twenty percent (20%) of the total amount of the bid (estimate to provide transportation for each year). The cost of this performance bond is not being included in the base bid.
- P. By submitting a signed proposal for this contract, the Contractor certifies that he is not barred from bidding on the Contract as a result of a conviction for either bid rigging or bid rotating under Article 33E of the Criminal Code of 1961, pursuant to Illinois Public Act 85-1295 (Public Contracts).
- Q. By signing the bid form, the Contractor submitting a bid form certifies that his bid is made without any previous understanding, agreement or connection with any person, firm or corporation making a bid for the same project, and is in all respects fair, without outside control, collusion, fraud or otherwise illegal action.

OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

This solicitation and any resulting Contract shall be governed in all respects by the laws of the State of Illinois. Each bidder shall comply with all Federal, State, and local laws, regulations, rules and/or codes relating to its submission of its bid, the scope of work contemplated by the Contract, and with respect to the Contractor's performance of the obligations and duties arising under the Contract.

It is the responsibility of the bidder to ensure that any response is received at the place designated on or before the time designated herein. No bid received after the designated time shall be considered. The District is not responsible for delays in the delivery of mail by the U.S. Postal Service, private couriers, or the intra-school mail system. It is the sole responsibility of the bidder that the response reaches the District on time, at the place, and in the manner required herein, to avoid disqualifications.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

Scope

- A. Contractor shall during the period hereinafter set forth, provide and maintain the required number of school buses to transport conveniently and safely any and all students designated by the District to be served under the provisions of this contract. Such transportation shall be provided for each and every day that school is convened and in accordance with bus routes and schedules submitted by the Contractor to District and approved by District.

If the District has Summer School, the contractor shall supply transportation from the last day of school through July 31 which is to be considered part of the contract of the preceding school term. Any transportation in August will be considered part of the contract of the subsequent school term.

- B. The District reserves the right to revise or change any and all routes and the number of buses required thereunder to best suit its needs at any time before or during this contract. In addition, the Contractor shall, during the period of this agreement, provide transportation for all students or other personnel as may be required by District on field trips, excursions, athletic activities or any other purpose designated by District.


- C. The Contractor shall at all times observe and comply with laws, ordinances, regulations and codes of the Federal, State, County and local government agencies, which may in any manner affect the performance of the contract and, in particular, any such laws pertaining to safety.
- D. The Contractor shall administer a satisfactory safety program. Said program shall include, but not be limited to, regularly scheduled safety meetings for the Contractor's personnel. A District administrator may ride with any driver at any time during the duration of this contract for the purpose of observing their driving practices with respect to safety, mechanical operation, and conformance with applicable laws, rules and regulations, including adherence to published time schedules.
- E. In the interpretation of this agreement and relations between the Contractor and the District, the same shall be construed as being an independent agreement with the Contractor for furnishing of transportation only, and the Contractor shall not be held or deemed in any way to be an agent, employee or official of the District.

Compensation and Billing

In consideration for the services rendered, the District shall pay Contractor all sums due and owing and calculated in accordance with the rates provided in the Contractor's bid submission.

All of the charges contained in the bid submission are acknowledged by the parties hereto be inclusive of all costs to be borne by the District. The District shall pay no costs or charges in addition to the amounts submitted on the bid submission. Contractor, at its sole and exclusive cost and expense, will be responsible for all expenses relating to the purchase, ownership, acquisition, use, and maintenance of all vehicles required to be provided by the successful bidder, all fuel and additional costs relating thereto, driver and other labor costs including costs relating to the employment of all employees necessary to provide complete pupil transportation services to the district, and any and all additional costs that may be incurred by Contractor in performance of this Contract.

Equipment

- A. Contractor shall keep all equipment used in the transportation of students in strict accordance with the State of Illinois Minimum Standards for School Buses. Such equipment shall be maintained in good mechanical order at all times to pass the State School Bus Inspection. The Contractor shall retain the title to all equipment used to fulfill this Contract. All equipment used to fulfill this Contract shall be available for inspection by District Officials on or before August 3, 2011.
- B. Buses shall be kept clean and sanitary condition and open to examination by the District and the Board of Education at all times.
-  C. Contractor shall keep enough stand-by equipment available to assure that it can provide uninterrupted service in the event of mechanical breakdowns and to take care of field trips. the Contractor will be required to provide a minimum of two (2) stand-by buses. Stand-by buses shall meet the same standards as regular route buses.
- D. The successful bidder must have a communication system, either a two-way FM radio system or other system approved by District officials, installed on all buses.
- E. At the commencement of services to be furnished under the Contract, the Contractor shall furnish and make available to the District the necessary number of school buses to be used for basic service. This will include lifts and air-conditioning for special needs students. Contractor must specify the model year, sizes, chassis and body of buses available for service under the Contract. No bus used for basic service shall be more than eight (8) model years old during the term of the Contract, and at no time will the average of basic service buses be greater than over five (5) years. All buses must have automatic transmission.
- F. The Contractor shall pay for all inspection fees and licenses required for the operation of school buses and shall pay all taxes imposed by reason of ownership of transportation equipment or the operation of its transportation services. The Contractor shall at all times maintain maintenance, permitting, and licensing records in connection with its services provided under the Contract and make such records available for inspection and copying by the District or its designated agents upon request. All school buses shall be subject to inspection at all times by law enforcement agencies, District officials, or by any person so designated by the District to inspect same for the prescribed design and construction, required equipment, mechanical condition or suitability for operation for conditions of overloading or other improper operation. Any vehicles not meeting applicable requirements shall be immobilized until such requirements have been met.

- G. Bus interiors shall be swept on a daily basis and kept clean. The exterior of buses shall be kept clean to ensure visibility out of all windows and that the markings on the bus are visible. The Contractor shall wash buses monthly, or more frequently if needed.

Employees

- A. The Contractor shall permit school buses to be operated only by trained and competent drivers who hold valid chauffeur's licenses issued by the State of Illinois and school bus driver's permits issued by the Regional Superintendent of Schools in Pulaski County.
- B. The employees of the Contractor are to be paid by the Contractor and are not to be considered employees of the District. Said employees are to be properly trained and qualified.
- C. The Contractor shall comply with all wage and hours of employment regulations of federal and state law.
- D. The Contractor shall pay all Contractor employees in accordance with the Fair Labor Standards Act and any other applicable statutes.
- E. Drivers will report all cases of student misbehavior on buses and will handle all disciplinary matters in strict accordance with District policy. In no case will a driver eject a student from a bus for misbehavior. If there is an extreme emergency endangering the safety of other students, District officials will be contacted immediately. Misconduct on the bus will be reported to the respective school principal who will take the necessary disciplinary action.
- F. The Contractor shall provide the District with a list of its personnel policies.
- G. The Contractor shall instruct its employees to abide by the policies, rule and regulations with respect to use of District premises as established by the District.
- H. All transportation service personnel assigned to the District shall be instructed in transportation safety procedures as outlined by the Illinois State Board of Education.
- I. For the purpose of this contract and interpretation thereof, it is agreed that the transportation of school children is an unusual and specialized function. It is the essence of this contract that the students be transported to and from school regularly, promptly, safely and without interruption or incident and that the interests of the children in such transportation shall take precedence over the interests of either the Contractor and its drivers or the School District. It shall be a primary obligation of the Contractor to operate its affairs so that the District will be assured of this continuous and reliable service. It is recognized that for the protection of the children, drivers and all other persons coming in contact with the children must be of stable personality and of the highest moral character. The District places upon the Contractor and the Contractor agrees to accept the full responsibility of assuring such qualities in personnel. The Contractor agrees that he will not allow any person to drive a school bus whose moral character is not of the highest level, or whose conduct might in any way expose any child to impropriety of word or conduct whatsoever, nor shall Contractor allow any person to drive a school bus who is not at the time in a condition of mental and emotional stability.
- J. All of the Contractor's personnel shall at all times be above reproach and the District reserves the right to discuss their conduct or performance with the Contractor and demand replacement, within a reasonable time period, if such is warranted as determined by District officials. In the event of the removal or suspension of any such employee, the Contractor shall immediately restructure its staff without disruption in service.
- K. The successful bidder shall furnish to the District before August 1, 2011, and before August 1 for each year of the contract, the following information relative to each driver who will be used in the implementation of the contract and be responsible for keeping current such information.
 - 1. Name of driver, include first name, middle initial and last name
 - 2. Driver's permit and license number
 - 3. Normal routing assignment
 - 4. Normal bus assignment
 - 5. Proof of an Illinois criminal background check
- L. The responsibility for hiring and discharging personnel in the respect to all of the foregoing shall rest entirely upon the Contractor, and the Contractor agrees that it shall enter into no agreement or arrangement with any employee, person, group or organization which will in any way interfere with the Contractor's ability to comply with this requirement. The Contractor further agrees that the District or its Superintendent shall have the right to request dismissal from the Contractor's employ whom in their opinion is not qualified to operate a school bus under this agreement. The District shall also have the right to designate specific drivers for specific routes and other work

assignments. In all matters regarding employees, the opinion of the District shall be final.

- M. Each employee shall be provided with a company approved uniform or other uniform, which shall include a shirt, but no tie. Enough uniforms shall be provided, at no cost, to each employee so they can be rotated for cleaning. The employees name shall be on the uniform.
- N. The Contractor shall fully comply with the requirements of the Illinois Human Rights Act, 775 ILCS 5/1101 et seq., including, but not limited to, the provision of sexual harassment policies and procedures pursuant to Section 2-105 of the Act. The Contractor further agrees to comply with all federal Equal Employment Opportunity Laws, including, but not limited to, the Americans with Disabilities Act, 42 U.S.c. Section 12101 et seq., and rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.
- O. The Contract shall submit all of its employees that provide service to the District to a criminal background check pursuant to Section 10-21.9 of the School Code, 105 ILCS 5/10-21.9.
- P. Contractor shall hold each driver responsible for:
 - a. Supervising the loading and unloading of his or her bus at every pick-up and delivery point.
 - b. Monitoring the behavior of students while on the bus.
 - c. Complying with all federal, state, and local traffic laws while operating buses under this Contract.
 - d. Carrying appropriate identification, at all times while on duty.
 - e. Carrying a time piece while on duty so that the driver can maintain established scheduled times.
 - f. Completing Daily Pre-Trip Inspection Sheets.
 - g. Providing a thorough review of the vehicle at the end of each run to make certain that no child has fallen asleep between seats, on the floor and/or is otherwise secreted or hiding in the vehicle.

Insurance

- A. Contractor agrees at its sole expense to procure and keep in force during the entire period of this agreement, comprehensive automobile liability with a contractual liability endorsement; public liability insurance and property damage liability insurance, in a company, with a minimum Best Rating of A, duly licensed and authorized to write such coverage in this State, protecting the School District, its Board of Education and the individuals thereof, in compliance with Chapter 122, Section 29-9 of The School Code, approved March 18 1961, as amended and the Contractor, drivers and other related personnel in a combined single limit sum of \$5,000,000 per accident for bodily injury and property damage.

The cost for coverage at these limits is to be included in the base bid. The District requires the cost of coverage limits of \$1 0,000,000.

- B. Before commencement of service, and annually thereafter no later than July 1, the Contractor shall provide the District with a certificate of insurance indicating the required coverage. Such insurance shall be provided by a company licensed by the Department of Insurance of Illinois, and rated with an "A10" or better in the current edition of Best's Key Rating Guide. Such insurance must specifically include a provision to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the District. All policies shall provide that no coverage shall be canceled except by 30-day written notice to Contractor and the District. Failure to maintain insurance at all times shall be a material default under this Contract and hereby terminates this Contract.
- C. The Contractor shall cause the School District, its employees, its Board of Education and individual members thereof to be made additional named insured on said policies.
- D. Contractor expressly agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the School District, its Board of Directors, officers and employees (hereinafter in this paragraph collectively called "School District") from all liability, losses, costs, damages and/or judgments for personal injuries, including death, to any person (including but not limited to third parties, employees of School District, employees of Contractor or any Sub-contractor and their dependents or personal representatives) or damage to property to any person arising by reason of any act or omission, negligent or otherwise, either by Contractor or by Sub-contractors or the employees or agents of either of them. Contractor further agrees to defend School District therefrom at Contractors own cost and expense, including attorneys' fees which School District may incur or be put to for the defense of any such claim.
- E. The Contractor shall carry Worker's Compensation insurance in the minimum limits as specified by law.

Miscellaneous

- A. The Contractor shall purchase with its name all fuel used for the operation of the buses.
- B. The Contractor shall bill the school district by the tenth day of the month for days driven during the preceding month.
- C. The District shall have the right, upon reasonable notice to the Contractor, to inspect the books and records maintained by the Contractor with the respect to the services provided under this contract.
- D. Force Majeure-In the event the Contractor is unable to provide the transportation services herein specified because of an act of God, civil disturbance, fire, inclement weather, impassable roads, riot, war, picketing, strike, labor dispute, governmental action or any condition or cause beyond the Contractor's control, the District shall excuse the Contractor from performance under this Agreement during the period that the Contractor is unable to perform. The District shall have the right to take over the operation of the Contractor's buses if the Contractor is prevented from operating for the reasons described above, and may operate such buses with school employees as the District may deem appropriate or the District may obtain services elsewhere until the Contractor is able to resume its regular operations. Provided, however, if the period during which the Contractor is unable to perform exceeds thirty (30) days, the District may terminate this agreement or may exercise its rights described above in this paragraph. The District shall pay to the Contractor for the use of such buses the compensation which would be due in accordance with this agreement had the Contractor operated the buses, less all expenses and costs incurred by the District in securing services elsewhere.
- E. The Contract shall be written so the Contractor and the District may extend or otherwise modify the terms of this contract in whole or in part as circumstances may justify by mutual written agreement executed by the duly authorized representatives of the parties.

Meridian Community Unit School District 101
Transportation Bid Form

DUE NO LATER THAN APRIL 1, 2011, AT 12:00 P.M.

SCHOOL YEARS: 2011-12, 2012-13, 2013-14

Basic Service

Regular Routes	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14
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36 Passenger

54 Passenger

66 Passenger

72 Passenger

84 Passenger

Additional Services

Activity/Route – Cost per Day

Vocational/Route – Cost per Day

Special Ed/Williamson County – Cost per Day

Special Ed/Grand Chain – Cost per Day

Extra Curricular

Minimum Charge/Trip

Minimum Charge/Hour

Minimum Cost/Mile

Performance Bond: Not Included in the base bid.

Attach Bid Bond (5% of Total Basic Services Bid). Bond will be returned to unsuccessful bidders. Successful bidder may be required to provide performance bond.

Firm Submitting Bid: _____

Date: _____

Signature of Representative: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

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2 p.m. Run (PreK-2nd Grade) – Cost per Day

Additional Services

Activity/Route – Cost per Day

Vocational/Route – Cost per Day

Special Ed/Williamson County – Cost per Day

Special Ed/Grand Chain – Cost per Day

Extra Curricular

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Minimum Cost/Mile

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Illinois Central School Bus

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Basic Service

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54 Passenger	\$148.11	\$151.07	\$154.09
66 Passenger	\$148.11	\$151.07	\$154.09
72 Passenger	\$148.11	\$151.07	\$154.09
84 Passenger	\$176.83	\$180.36	\$183.97
2 p.m. Run (PreK-2 nd Grade) – Cost per Day	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Additional Services

Activity/Route – Cost per Day	\$42.00	\$42.84	\$43.69
Vocational/Route – Cost per Day	\$40.00	\$40.80	\$41.62
Special Ed/Williamson County – Cost per Day	\$148.11	\$151.07	\$154.09
Special Ed/Grand Chain – Cost per Day	\$52.00	\$53.04	\$54.10

Extra Curricular

Minimum Charge/Trip	\$48.00	\$48.96	\$49.94
Minimum Charge/Hour	\$16.00	\$16.32	\$16.65
Minimum Cost/Mile	\$0.50	\$0.53	\$0.55

Performance Bond: Not Included in the base bid.

Attach Bid Bond (5% of Total Basic Services Bid). Bond will be returned to unsuccessful bidders. Successful bidder may be required to provide performance bond.

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