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PURCHASING PROCEDURES

The Board recognizes the importance of a sound fiscal management program and expects the district to maintain an efficient and consistent procedure in purchasing materials and services for the school district.

All purchasing for the district will adhere to an approved purchase process that clearly establishes the contractual arrangement between the supplier and the school district.

Requests for equipment, materials, books, supplies, reimbursement claims and subsidiary accounts shall be made through the principal to the superintendent. No payment of a bill will be made without proper purchase documentation. The board may enter into multi-year contracts for the purchase of various services, equipment and supplies for a period not to exceed four years.

The superintendent shall have the authority to authorize purchases costing under \$5,000 without prior board approval if they have been previously approved as part of the annual budget. When it is reasonable and practical to do so, the superintendent will request competitive bids for goods and services to ensure the best use of the district's financial resources. For any one purchase estimated at \$25,000.00 or more, price quotations shall be taken from at least two reputable sources, if possible. Competitive sealed bids are required in many instances for construction, remodeling or repair of school-owned buildings or site improvements that cost \$100,000 or more.

When obtaining competitive bids, the purchase will be made from the lowest responsible bidder based upon total cost considerations including, but not limited to, the cost of the goods and services being purchased, availability of service and/or repair, delivery date, the targeted small business procurement goal and other factors deemed relevant by the board.

Legal Reference: Neb. Statute 73-106

Neb. Statute 79-515 Neb. Statute 79-10,104

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