Snead State Community College
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INVITATION TO BID
2026 FORD EXPLORER
PUBLISHED OCTOBER 28, 2026
CLOSE NOVEMBER 10, 2026

Snead State Community College will receive sealed bids in its Business Office **until November 10, 2026 at 1:00 pm and will be opened at that time, at 102 Elder Street, McCain Conference Room 237.** For the item(s)/services described and specified on the attached sheet(s). All bids received after this time will not be considered.

GENERAL CONDITIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

1. All bids are to be in sealed envelopes with the opening date and bid description to be on the outside of the envelope. Bids should be mailed to: **Snead State Community College, ATTN: Vicki Carr, 102 Elder St., P.O. Box 734, Boaz, AL 35957-0734.** Bids delivered by Federal Express, Airborne Express, all other delivery services, or hand delivered, must be labeled with "bid enclosed" along with the opening date and bid description on the outside of the delivery service's envelope. **NO FAXED OR EMAILED BIDS WILL BE ACCEPTED**. **All bids must be notarized.**

2. Only written modifications to proposals will be accepted.

3. Bidders may submit proposals on any one or all items/services listed. The College reserves the right to accept bids in any combination, or reject any bid or part thereof and waive information that might be in the best interest of the College.

4. All bids are to include delivery dates of merchandise. All shipping and handling charges shall be the responsibility of the successful bidder, unless stated in the bid quote. All bid prices are to be quoted F.O.B. (Free on Board) to Snead State Community College, Boaz, Alabama. The successful bidder must assume all liability/responsibility for damage in transit.

5. Reference in the specifications to name brands, catalog numbers, etc. is for identification purposes only and is no way intended to eliminate or discourage the offering of substitute items which equal or exceed the specifications. If substitute brands are offered, specifications for those brands **must** be included in the bid package. Failure to supply these specifications may result in the rejection of the bid. When the bidder does not state brand name or catalog number, it is understood the offer is exactly as specified.

6. Unless otherwise indicated, items/services furnished under the request must be new. Guarantees/warranties are to be furnished by the vendors as provided by the manufacturer.

7. Bid prices are **not** to include tax. The College is a State of Alabama Institution. If your company gives a discount, this must be included in the quote.

8. All items/services are to be free from defects in material and workmanship. If items are found to be defective or damaged or do not meet the specifications, they are to be replaced immediately by the Vendors at no additional cost to the College. If a company is awarded a bid and the company cannot honor the terms of the bid, the company may be removed from the College's preferred vendor list.

9. No payment will be made until all items/services have been received in good condition.

10. After the bids are opened, all bids become the property of the College and will be made available for public inspection.

11. The proposal is to be made without connections with any other person, company, or party making a bid proposal and is to be in all respects fair and in good faith, without collusion or fraud.

12. In submitting a proposal, the bidder agrees to execute a contract incorporating the General Conditions and Instructions to Bidders for any and all items/services which collectively shall constitute the contract and if deemed required to execute Payment and Performance Bonds. Failure to do so shall result in forfeiture of bid security.

13. Bid awards are subject to change or cancellation due to unanticipated decrease in funding (including tuition, local, state, or federal). Bid awards are also subject to change or cancellation due to changes in local, state, federal laws, regulations or policies or in changes in the policies of the Alabama Community College System.

14. Pursuant to Act 2025-35, amending Code of Alabama 1975 §41-16-82, each state agency, department, or division receiving a proposal, bid, contract, or grant proposal shall furnish and require the return of the disclosure statement applying to the following: (1) a proposed grant that exceeds $25,000 or (2) a proposed contract that meets or exceeds the threshold for bid (currently $50,000) or other formal solicitations under Article 5 of Chapter 4 of Title 41 or any other law that requires formal solicitation procedures for awarding public contracts. In circumstances where a contract is awarded by competitive bid or other formal solicitation procedure, the disclosure statement shall be required only from the person awarded the contract and shall be submitted by that person within 30 days of the award. Note: Snead State Community College Requires the winning bidder(s) to supply the Vendor Disclosure Statement along with the vendor information packet after the bid is awarded.

15. The awarded vendor must complete all forms that are related to the Alabama Immigration Law H. B. 56 (E Verify) before a purchase order can be issued.

16. **The awarded vendor must supply current copies of the following if applicable: Certificate of General Liability Insurance, current state, county or city business license, general contractor's license or applicable license as required by law.**

17. **This contract will be awarded for a period of one year and up to three years if no changes are made in the specifications and/or pricing by the vendor. This extension must be approved in writing for the extension to be valid.**

18. **This contract may be canceled at any time by the College or the winning bidder with a 30-day written notice.**

19. **Notwithstanding any other provision in this Agreement, the parties acknowledge and agree that the terms and commitments contained herein shall not constitute a debt of the State of Alabama in violation of section 213 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as amended by Amendment No. 26.**

20. **Effective June 3, 2015, Act 2015-305, SB20, amends Section 23-1-50.1, Code of Alabama 1975, to require that state motor vehicles acquired for the Fleet Management Program of the Department of Transportation or other state operated motor vehicle acquisition program must be purchased or leased from a motor vehicle dealership located in this State.**

21. **In accordance with Alabama Act 2023-409, the vendor does hereby verify that, without violating controlling law or regulation, it does not and will not, during the term of the contract, engage in economic boycotts.**

BID SPECIFICATIONS

Specific Bid Request Attached

1. 2026 FORD EXPLORER SUV or EQUIVALENT

MINIMUM SPECIFICATIONS

Unibody Sport Utility Vehicle, ST-Line

Color Carbonized Gray Metallic or Star White Metallic

10-Speed Automatic

Rear Wheel drive

2.3-liter EcoBoost 104 Aluminum block and head 300 horsepower engine

Regular-grade unleaded gas, 17.9-gallon tank

Four-wheel disc brakes with antilock brake system, performance brakes

20-inch polished aluminum Wheels

P255/55R20 All-season BSW Tires

Total Price_____

We request that the pricing be held for a minimum of 90 days.

For general bid questions please contact: Vicki Carr at **vicki.carr@snead.edu**

For specific bid questions please contact: David Thompson at **David.thompson@snead.edu** or Jarrod Landers at **Jarrod.Landers@snead.edu**

Vendor Information and Authorized Signature

VENDOR INFORMATION:

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Vendor Name

_____ _____ _____
Address ***City*** ***ST*** ***Zip***

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Phone ***Fax*** ***e-mail***

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Company Website

I certify that I have read all the General Conditions and Instructions to Vendors of this bid and this offer is made without prior understanding, or connection with any entity or person submitting a bid for the same materials, supplies or equipment, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. I am authorized to sign this bid for vendor. I agree to abide by all conditions of this bid request.

_____ _____
Authorized Signature ***Title/Position***

_____ _____
Print or Type Name ***Date***

_____ _____
Notary **Date**

Alabama Law (Section 41-4-116, Code of Alabama 1975) Provides that every bid submitted and contract executed shall contain a certification that the vendor, contractor, and all of its affiliates that make sales for delivery into Alabama or leases for use in Alabama are registered, collecting, and remitting Alabama state and local sales, use, and / or lease tax on all taxable sales and leases into Alabama. **By submitting this bid, the bidder is hereby certifying that they are in full compliance with Act No. 2006-557.** They are not barred from bidding or entering into a contract pursuant to 41-4-116, and acknowledge that the awarding authority may declare the contact void if the certification is false.