



300 College Drive  
Glendive, MT 59330

### **BID SPECIFICATIONS**

For a

**35-43 passenger, cutaway-style activity bus**

**Model year 2022 or newer**

**Low mileage, not to exceed 50,000 miles**

These Bid Specifications shall be considered a continuation of the Call for Bids dated June 11, 2025, available at [www.dawson.edu/about/purchases-and-vendor-bids.html](http://www.dawson.edu/about/purchases-and-vendor-bids.html) and published in the Glendive Ranger-Review June 18, June 21 and June 25, and is by reference made a part thereof.

Dawson Community College reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive irregularities, or to accept any bid it deems to be in the best interest of the College.

BASIS OF THE AWARD shall be dependent on the most responsible bid submitted. Consideration will be given to purchase price, financing terms, delivery date, warranty details, equipment service guarantees, parts and service availability, parts and service facilities location, analyses and comparison of equipment specification details, and past experience of Dawson Community College with similar or related equipment.

No bid will be accepted without manufacturer, builder and/or dealer warranty covering chassis and bus body for a minimum of three (3) years or fifty thousand (50,000) miles.

Pursuant to the call for bids, the following minimum requirement shall be met:

- A. Vehicle shall meet Montana Department of Transportation requirements and specifications on the date of the bid opening.
- B. Delivery shall be F.O.B. Dawson Community College, Glendive, Montana. Final acceptance is subject to inspection and test drive upon delivery.
- C. Delivery within 60-90 days of award. Bidders must specify delivery date.
- D. The bid shall include all operating, service, parts, and technical repair manuals.
- E. Vehicle shall be a 2022 or newer advertised model, with all the latest features offered as standard whether or not called for in the specifications; except where this specification requires a substitution in lieu of the manufacturer's standard equipment.

- F. Vehicle shall be custom wrapped with Dawson Community College provided logo.
- G. Bids will not be considered that do not include a copy of the manufacturer's literature/specification.
- H. Bids must include proposed financing options (municipal equipment lease), including required down payment, term and rate.
- I. No bid will be considered unless accompanied by a bid bond, in the amount of not less than five (5) percent of the total amount of the bid.

Please indicate below whether the vehicle offered can meet the desired configuration. Any "no" should be clarified. Please attach explanations/ alternate proposals so exceptions may be considered. Failure to do so may result in non-acceptance of the bid.

**YES NO**

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|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 35-43 passengers                                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Automatic transmission                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Heavy-duty chassis suitable for long-distance travel |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | All-wheel drive                                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Four-wheel drive                                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Front engine   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Diesel engine  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Engine block heater                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Cold-climate ready                                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Per seat A/C vents                                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Fog lamps  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Back-up alarm  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Back-up camera                                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Air brake system                                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Full-size spare tire                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Cloth seats  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Hip-to-knee space $\geq$ 30 inches                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Per seat USB ports, available 110v outlets           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Per seat lighting                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Overhead cargo storage                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Rear cargo storage                                   |

**VEHICLE WARRANTY & AVAILABILITY GUARANTEE**

Dawson Community College requires bidders to mitigate cost of repairs and downtime. Therefore, all bidders shall include with their bid:

Details of warranty, as specified above, for a minimum of three (3) years or fifty thousand (50,000) miles, whichever occurs first after the date of delivery. The only exclusions shall be

wear items that experience normal wear in the ordinary course of use such as tires, glass, etc. DCC will make the vehicle available for repairs and inspections as requested by the dealer.

### **BIDDERS CERTIFICATION**

It is hereby understood that Dawson Community College has the right to evaluate this bid upon many bases of criteria.

Dawson Community College reserves the right to hold the bids for a period not to exceed 30 days.

Upon acceptance of any bid, Dawson Community College shall withhold ten (10) percent of the bidder's net bid for at least thirty days after the delivery of said bid item to ensure compliance with all agreed upon specifications.

Vehicle will be available for delivery on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 202\_\_.

We hereby certify that the foregoing is a responsible bid. Any variations from the specifications are noted or attached. Copies of vehicle warranty guarantees are attached along with the required bid bond for the vehicle bid.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 202\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Dealer Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone

\_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip

### **BID PROPOSAL**

Manufacturer \_\_\_\_\_

Model \_\_\_\_\_

### **PURCHASE ONLY**

**Net purchase Price per Unit, No Trade**                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_