



PROJECT NAME: Adult Student Community Assessment

PROJECT NUMBER: 11-19-002

RESPONSES DUE: Friday, December 6, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. Central

**RETURN RESPONSES TO: Purchasing
 Waubonsee Community College
 45783 State Route 47
 Dickson Center, Room 259
 Sugar Grove, IL 60554-9903**

Responses to this RFP shall be submitted in a sealed envelope to the address above. **Envelopes must be clearly identified with the name of the RFP and Due Date/Time.** Proposals received after the date and time specified in this RFP will not be considered.

All correspondence or questions concerning this RFP should be addressed to purchasing@waubonsee.edu.

To Be Returned with Response

- RFP AUTHORIZATION FORM
- CERTIFICATIONS
- CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE AND NON-COLLUSION FORM
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- REFERENCES

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COLLEGE OVERVIEW

Waubonsee Community College (WCC), located forty-five miles west of Chicago, Illinois, has served more than 300,000 students since its inception. As one of 48 public community colleges in the Illinois Community College System, WCC is governed by a board of trustees composed of seven community members elected from the district at large and a student trustee selected by the student body. WCC serves 22 municipalities, 12 public high school districts and nine private high schools in a five-county, 600-square-mile district. In order to proactively address student and community needs, WCC has cultivated a learning-centered culture that values, and an infrastructure that advances, continuous quality improvement.

Campus Locations

Main Campus

Waubonsee Community College Sugar Grove Campus, 45783 State Route 47, Sugar Grove, Illinois 60554

Extension Campuses

Waubonsee Community College Plano Campus, 100 Waubonsee Drive, Plano, Illinois 60545

Waubonsee Community College Aurora Downtown Campus, 18 South River St. Aurora, Illinois, 60506

Waubonsee Community College Fox Valley Campus, 2060 Ogden Ave, Aurora, Illinois 60504

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

Schedule

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| • RFP Issued | Monday, November 18, 2019 |
| • Last Day for Submittal of Questions | Tuesday, December 3, 2019 |
| • Proposals Due | Friday, December 6, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. CST |
| • First Interview | January 2020 |
| • Second Interview (if required) | TBD |
| • Recommendation of Award | February 19, 2019 |

Information

1. RFP documents are available for download from the college's purchasing webpage at <https://www.waubonsee.edu/local-businesses-employers-and-vendors/bidrfprfi-opportunities>.
2. **RFP is not binding on WCC.** This RFP is not a binding offer by WCC and acceptance of the terms of this RFP by any Respondent shall not create a binding contract with WCC. WCC reserves the right to negotiate the terms and conditions of any agreement that may result from this Request for Proposal process, including the terms set forth herein and in any proposal. Any future contract that

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may be awarded must comply with college procurement requirements.

3. **Proposals Shall Constitute Binding Offer.** A proposal submitted in response to this RFP shall constitute a binding offer of the Respondent. The signature of a person who is legally authorized to execute contractual obligations on behalf of the Respondent shall indicate acknowledgment of this condition. A submission in response to this RFP acknowledges acceptance by the Respondent of all terms and conditions as set forth herein, unless the response specifically indicates otherwise. A Respondent shall identify clearly and thoroughly any variations between its proposal and the RFP in the cover letter. Failure to do so shall be deemed a waiver of any rights to subsequently modify the terms of any contract that may result from this RFP, except as outlined or specified in the RFP.
4. The college reserves the right to award this project to one vendor or split the award based on the best interests of the college.
5. The college reserves the right to reject or accept any or all responses, to extend the due date, to waive technicalities in the documents or repost prior to award of the Contract.
6. Proposals may be withdrawn by written request from Respondent prior to the date and time established for the opening.
7. All late proposals will be rejected.
8. All proposals must be signed by a duly authorized representative of the firm; all unsigned proposals will be rejected.
9. Awarded Respondent will be notified after award of orders.
10. All proposal prices must be good for a period of ninety (90) days from the date of opening.
11. If the Proposal is not awarded within ninety (90) days after the opening, a Respondent may file a written request with the Purchasing Manager on the withdrawal of their Proposal, and the Purchasing Manager will permit such withdrawal.
12. The price proposed is the full purchase price, including all materials and labor, service costs, delivery to destination, rigging expenses, balancing provisions no matter what the cause for imbalance, and includes all transportation and handling charges, premiums on bonds, patent royalties and all other overhead charges of every kind and nature. Unless otherwise specified, prices shall remain firm for the contract period. List all costs individually on a separate sheet.
13. Proposals shall be prepared simply and economically, providing a straightforward description of the respondent's capabilities to satisfy the requirements of this RFP. Emphasis should be on completeness and clarity of content, including all attachments and work samples.
14. There is no express or implied obligation for the college to reimburse firms for any expenses incurred in preparing proposals in response to this request.
15. The college will issue a purchase order upon award by the college's Board of Trustees. Invoices will be paid monthly for work completed. The college's payment terms are net 30 days.
16. The Prevailing Wage Act requires contractors and subcontractors to pay laborers, workers and mechanics employed on PUBLIC WORKS construction projects no less than the general prevailing rate of wages (consisting of hourly cash wages plus fringe benefits) for work of a similar character in the county where the work is performed.
17. Waubensee Community College encourages the participation of qualified businesses owned by minorities, females and persons with disabilities in contracts the college awards. This policy shall

be furthered by complying with the Business Enterprise for Minorities, Females and Persons with Disabilities Act, 30 ILCS 575/0.01 et seq. and by cooperating with the Illinois Business Enterprise Council.

18. WCC belongs to the following consortiums and Group Purchasing Organizations: E&I (Educational and Institutional Cooperative Purchasing); Sourcewell, US Communities; TCPN/National IPA; Midwest Higher Education Compact Consortium, and the Illinois Public Higher Education Cooperative. If you have pricing agreements with any of these organizations, pricing should minimally reflect these discounts. The college expects to be provided with the best available pricing.

Evaluation Process

1. The college reserves the right to:
 - a. Accept or reject any or all proposals
 - b. Select the proposal most responsive to the college's needs
 - c. Award the contract to the firm who will best serve the interests of the college at the college's sole discretion
 - d. Require a firm to submit any evidence of its qualifications as the college may deem necessary and to consider any evidence available such as financial, technical and other capabilities, including performance experience with past and present users
 - e. Request additional information or clarifications and to allow corrections of errors and omissions
 - f. Waive minor irregularities or variations to specifications in the process
 - g. Conduct any investigation of the qualifications of any firm that it deems appropriate
2. A selection committee consisting of the staff from the college will review all proposals and make a determination based on the following factors:
 - a. Professional capacity to take on the work.
 - b. Proposed fee structure
 - c. Ability to perform within time and budget constraints
 - d. Evaluation of potential work plans
 - e. Previous work experience and performance with similar institutions
 - f. Recommendations by references
 - g. Other pertinent information submitted
3. The college may invite one or more finalists to have key personnel who would be engaged in the provision of the services make presentation(s) and/or discuss the proposal. The college will not be liable for expenses incurred in attending this interview.
4. At the college's discretion, the college may invite one or more finalists for a second interview with the college president, executive vice president of finance and operations and other senior administrative staff. The college will not be liable for expenses incurred in attending this interview.

5. The college will conduct contract negotiations with the firm whose proposal is deemed most responsive to the college's needs. Until the college acts formally to approve a contract, and until such contract is signed by both parties, the college is legally obligated in no respect. By this Request for Proposal, the college has not committed itself to undertake the work set forth.

Confidentiality & Proposal Ownership

1. RFP Ownership: All proposals to the RFP will become the property of Waubonsee Community College and will not be returned.
2. Public Records Act: all materials received or created by the college are considered **public records** and subject to disclosure to third parties in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). These records include but are not limited to bid or proposal submittals, agreement documents, contract work product, or other information submitted by a vendor to the college.
3. If the Respondent requests that the college withhold their trade secrets, commercial information or financial information from disclosure to a third party in response to a FOIA request, the Respondent must include in its submittal:
 - a. A written notification specifically identifying such information
 - b. A statement that disclosure of such information will cause competitive harm to the Respondent
4. Any content not so marked by the Respondent at the time of submittal will be presumed to be open to public inspection.

SCOPE OF WORK

Summary

Waubonsee Community College (Waubonsee) seeks proposals from qualified Vendors to develop and conduct adult student research for new and returning students over the age of 25. This adult student research project will help the college identify the current and future needs of students in the Waubonsee's district. The research will uncover the needs of new and returning adult students including their interest and desire for certain programs, delivery formats, service preferences, and schedule availability. This research will provide the college with a strategy and future planning for programs and services at all four campus locations, and online, for the adult student market.

Key pieces of the adult student journey, including the inquiry to enrollment process, academic support needs, marketing preferences, non-credit programs, and individual steps in the student journey that differ from the traditional population should be uncovered. Delineating these adult student groups and needs by age, e.g. 25-35, 36-55, 55+, gender, race, and by cities in the district will be beneficial. Special attention should be given to Aurora, our most diverse population center and the second largest city in Illinois. As a percentage of zip code population related to our district, Aurora accounts for 48% of our total district population. Relatedly, the zip codes of Oswego, Geneva, Batavia, Montgomery, Yorkville,

Plano, and Sugar Grove account for 40% of our total district population. These eight areas should be given priority in the study.

Furthermore, understanding drivers of recruitment and retention for students of color, consistent with the college's strategic focus on student equity and success, and positioning ourselves as a viable, welcoming, safe, and supportive community for these students is essential to our success in the future. Waubonsee Community College is designated as a Hispanic Serving Institution by the U.S. Department of Education, and roughly 30% of our students are of Hispanic/Latino origin.

The college will take this information and begin planning for the Fall 2020 and Spring 2021 semesters with the goal of being fully operational to better serve this population of students by the Fall 2021 semester. Full-scale recommendations on personnel, hours, programs, and services, are expected to help the college plan accordingly for the future.

General

1. Firms involved in providing services under this project require a minimum of five years' experience.
2. Respondents may not directly contact any college employee to discuss this RFP. **All correspondence or questions concerning the RFP should be addressed to purchasing@waubonsee.edu.** All questions must be submitted in writing and will be responded to by addendum. Do not expect an immediate answer. Include your email address and/or fax number for any necessary communication.
3. Respondents are responsible for checking the college's purchasing webpage for updates to the RFP and will be required to acknowledge receipt of the addenda in the RFP response.
4. All work for this contract is to be performed by the selected firms own staff. Subcontracting any portion of this project will not be allowed without written authorization from the college.

Objectives

1. Research and provide information on the needs of the adult segment in the district, specific to variations in age, gender, and race.
2. Uncover preferences for modalities, services, and programs of the adult population, delineated by the areas listed above.
3. Provide information on what marketing and messaging will be most appealing and welcoming to the adult student market to help recruit and retain these students at a higher rate.

PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS AND FORMAT

Format

1. Firms shall provide a straight-forward, concise description of your firm's capability to satisfy the requirements of this RFP and perform the work described in this RFP. Prepare your responses to this RFP in the format and sequence specified below. Respond specifically to each item in the order as provided. Failure to comply may result in the college rejecting your proposal as non-responsive.
2. Firms shall provide one (1) original and two (2) copies of their submittal.
 - a. Do not submit binders. Stapled or coil bound is acceptable.

Authorization

1. Submittal response must include a signed Authorization Form and all documents noted on the cover page.

Firm Information

1. Provide a brief description of your firm, including but not limited to the following:
 - a. Company name with address and telephone. Name of the principal(s) of the firm.
 - b. Name, telephone number, and email address of a representative of the firm authorized to discuss the proposal.**
 - c. Addresses of all offices of the firm. Identify the office which will fulfill this agreement.
 - d. Number of employees of the firm.
 - e. Number of years in business under current name and any past corporate names or affiliations.
 - f. Statement of whether there are any ongoing, pending, or potential legal actions against the firm.
2. Describe the organization, date founded and ownership of your firm and regulatory bodies your firm reports to. Has the firm experienced a significant change in organizational structure, ownership or management during the past three years and, if so, please describe.
3. Identify any work to be subcontracted and provide company name, contact information, deliverables to be produced and tasked to be performed.
 - a. Waubensee Community College reserves the right to reject any subcontractor.
 - b. If a subcontractor or supplier is needed to fulfill contract requirements, please consider using a small or disadvantaged business. The State's policy is to promote small businesses, including those owned by Veterans, businesses owned and controlled by minorities, females, and persons with disabilities, and sheltered workshops for the severely disabled. We encourage the use of these companies on State contracts and in your commercial activities. See

<https://www.illinois.gov/cms/business/sell2/bep/Pages/default.aspx> for more information regarding these programs.

Experience

1. Describe your firm and its capabilities. In particular, support your capacity to develop and conduct adult student research.
2. Detail the firm's direct experience in providing expertise, consulting services and technical assistance.
3. Key management and key personnel that would be assigned to this project. Indicate which principals and associates from your firm would be involved in providing services to the college. Provide appropriate background information for each such person and identify his or her responsibilities. Principals involved in providing servicing under this project require a minimum of five years' experience.
4. Provide a minimum of three (3) education client references for similar services performed, preferably services performed for community colleges.

Approach, Work Plan, Requirements

1. Explain your methodology to reach desired groups.
2. Describe your firm's approach and suggested work plan.
3. Demonstrate your firm's ability to move the project from initiation through finalizing.
4. Suggest project milestones and provide estimates of project start dates and the time to completion.
5. Provide assistance in strategizing sampling.
6. Demonstrate your firm's ability to be vigilant about the reliability and validity of the data and analysis.
7. Demonstrate your firm's ability to provide clear, concise and action-oriented reports
 - a. Examples:
 - i. For focus groups this would include, but not be limited to, screener guide for recruitment, discussion guide for session flow, facility rental, recruitment, participant incentives, moderation analysis and reporting.
 - ii. For phone research this would include, but not be limited to:
 - i. Development of the instrument (questionnaire script)
 - ii. List purchase
 - iii. Explanation of call center system
 - iv. Field progress reports issued daily
 - v. Number of calls completed to each group
 - vi. Excel spreadsheet breakdown of call results
 - vii. Analysis and Reporting

Analysis and Reporting

1. Vendor will prepare a written report based on the preliminary findings from each method. The final report will:
 - a. Briefly describe the study's background, research objectives, and methodology
 - b. Comprehensively present and analyze the study's findings
 - c. Include numerous representative verbatim responses, supporting charts
 - d. Include a discussion of the implications of the study's findings
 - e. Propose methodology for follow up research in key communities to measure future outreach.

Additional Questions to be Answered

1. What would you need from the college to complete this project?
2. Which formats can you provide to deliver the adult student community assessment?
3. Where will the research be maintained? Is it cloud based or will it be store on a college server?
4. Based on experience, can you identify a time during the calendar year when performing the research may achieve its greatest results?

Fees & Services

1. Describe the way you propose to be compensated for your services. Include ALL costs to meet the requirements. The college is open to various pricing strategies including Time & Material, Fixed Costs, Not-to-Exceed in any combination. If proposing Time & Material, please include hourly-rates of staff and total hours for each.
2. The cost of services is one of the factors that will be considered in awarding this contract. Please provide a thorough breakdown of your proposed fees for this engagement.

Additional Documentation

1. Provide a sample copy of your firm's contract for these services including all terms and conditions.
2. Firms may provide brochures, reports or other information in support of this proposal as an attachment to the proposal in 8.5" x 11" format. Do not include oversized brochures or sales materials. Catalogs or brochures may not be submitted in lieu of responses to an item.
3. Discuss any topics not covered in this RFP that you would like to bring to the college's attention.

RFP AUTHORIZATION FORM

All Respondents are required to complete and sign this form.

I HEREBY AUTHORIZE THIS PROPOSAL, ACKNOWLEDGING THAT I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS RFP. I WARRANT THAT ALL INFORMATION PROVIDED IN THE SUBMITTED PROPOSAL IS TRUE AND ACCURATE. I FURTHER WARRANT THAT FAILURE TO HAVE READ ALL THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SOLICITATION SHALL NOT BE CAUSE TO ALTER ANY RESULTING CONTRACT OR REQUEST ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION.

Name of Company

Address

City

State

Zip Code

Telephone Number

Fax Number

Authorized Signatory

Date

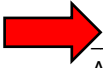
Print Name

Title

Email Address

Acknowledgement of Addenda (if any)

I acknowledge having received addenda # _____.



CERTIFICATIONS

All Respondents are required to complete and sign this form. Completed form must be returned with RFP no later than the advertised deadline. Failure to return this completed form may result in disqualification.

Respondents are cautioned to carefully read these certifications prior to signing below. Signing this page shall constitute a warranty by the undersigned that all of the statements, certifications and information set forth within these certifications are true, complete and correct as of the date signed. The undersigned is notified that if the college learns that any of the following certifications were falsely made, any contract entered into with the undersigned shall be subject to termination.

1. Prevailing Wage Act. To the extent required by law, Contractor shall not pay less than the prevailing wage as established pursuant to an Act Regulating the Wages of Laborers, Mechanics, and Other Workman employed under Contract for Public Workers 820 ILCS 130/1 et seq. Our company certifies that it is eligible for bidding on public contracts and has complied with section 11a of the Prevailing Wage Act, 820 ILCS 130.01-12.
2. Human Rights Act. To the extent required by law, Contractor shall abide by the Illinois Human Rights Act, 775 ILCS 10/0.01 et seq.
3. Drug Free Workplace. To the extent required by law, Contractor shall abide with the requirements of the Drug Free Workplace Act 30 ILCS 580.1 et seq.
4. Sexual Harassment Policy. Contractor represents by the signing of this agreement that it has a written sexual harassment policy that is in accordance with 775 ILCS 5/2-105 (A) (4).
5. Non-debarment. By executing this agreement Contractor certifies that it has not been debarred from public contracts in the State of Illinois for violating either 33E-3 or 33E-4 of the Public Contracts Act, 720 ILCS 5/33E-1 et seq.
6. Fair Employment Practice: Company is in compliance with all State and Federal laws regarding Fair Employment Practice as well as all rules and regulations.
7. Our company has an Equal Employment Opportunity and Affirmative Action Program which complies with Executive Order 11246, the Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.
8. Our company certifies that it is eligible for bidding on public contracts and is not in violation of either paragraph 33E-3 or 33-E-4 of Public Act 86-150, 720ICLS 5 with regards to bid rigging/bid rotating.
9. When required by law, the bidder and all bidder's subcontractors must participate in applicable apprenticeship and training programs approved by and registered with the United States Department of Labor's Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training as required by Illinois Public Act 093-0642.
10. MINORITY/WOMAN-OWNED, DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS? **Yes**____ **No**____. If yes, please attach copy of certification and advise certification number and expiration date below:

Name of Certifying Entity: _____ Cert. # and Exp. Date: _____

Authorized Signatory: _____ **Date:** _____

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE AND NON-COLLUSION FORM

All Respondents are required to complete and sign this form. Completed form must be returned with Proposal no later than the advertised deadline Failure to return this completed form may result in disqualification.

Conflict of Interest Disclosure

Waubensee Community College is requiring that any and all relationships with the college, its administrators, trustees, committee member, or any other employee of the college be disclosed in writing as a part of any proposal submitted. Contact in regards to this Proposal with any employee of Waubensee Community College during the pre-award period, except as noted in the solicitation, is strictly forbidden and is considered sufficient grounds for dismissal from the RFP process.

Define the relationship with any Waubensee Community College administrator, trustee, committee members, or their immediate family member, with which your company or any of its owners, officers, trustees, employees does business with, or for which there is an opportunity to influence a related college decision.

Respondent certifies that there is no known conflict of interest with any WCC administrator, trustee, committee member or employee of the college.

Non-Collusion Statement

The undersigned affirms that he/she is duly authorized to execute this contract and that this company, corporation, firm, partnership or individual has not prepared this Proposal in collusion with any other Company, and that the contents of this Proposal as to prices, terms or conditions of said RFP have not been communicated by the undersigned, nor by any employee or agent to any other person engaged in this type of business prior to the official opening of this Proposal.

The undersigned further affirms that this Proposal was prepared independently for this project and that it contains no fees or amounts other than for legitimate execution of this work as specified and that it includes no understandings or agreements in restraint of trade.

Firm Name: _____

By: _____
(Authorized Signatory)

_____ Title

STATE OF ILLINOIS BUSINESS ENTERPRISE FOR MINORITIES, FEMALES, AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES ACT INFORMATION

Vendor shall provide the following information on the MBE status of its business so that the College can comply with the Business Enterprise for Minorities (MBE), Females (WBE), Persons with Disabilities Act (DBE), or Veteran Owned Business (VOB), 30 ILCS 575/1, et seq.

Identify Business Status (___ MBE ___ WBE ___ DBE ___ VOB)

- African American
- Alaskan Native/Native American
- Asian American
- Disabled
- Female
- Hispanic American
- Veteran
- Not Applicable

Small Business

- HUBZone small business
- Service-disabled veteran-owned small business
- Small Business
- Small disadvantaged business
- Veteran-owned small business
- Women-owned small business
- Not Applicable

Certifying Organization

- DCMS (Department of Central Management Services) Business Enterprise Program
- CMBDC (Chicago Minority Business Development Council)
- IDOT (Illinois Department of Transportation)
- WBDC (Women's Business Development Center)
- Other (Please Specify)
- Not Applicable

For more information please visit:

<http://www.illinois.gov/cms/business/sell2/bep/Pages/Default.aspx>

REFERENCES OF SIMILAR WORK PERFORMED

Contact Name _____ Phone _____

Company / Organization Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____

Contact Name _____ Phone _____

Company / Organization Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____

Contact Name _____ Phone _____

Company / Organization Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____

Appendix A – WCC’s STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Legal Entity: Waubonsee Community College District 516, commonly known as Waubonsee Community College is described herein as “Buyer” or “WCC”.

Seller: The “Seller” means any person, business or entity designated on this purchase order or contracted to provide “Deliverables.” Deliverables means the tangible and/or intangible personal property, product, service, software, information technology, telecommunications technology, apparatus, equipment, supplies, repairs, or other goods delivered pursuant to this purchase order, including items incident to the provision of services.

Limitation of Authority: All purchases shall be made in accordance with Illinois law. No officer or employee of WCC not expressly authorized under Illinois law, shall make any purchase on its behalf, or enter into any contract of purchase, verbal or written, for any Deliverable of any kind or description, or accept any of them on approval or otherwise. Seller is directed to applicable Illinois law to verify the authority of any person purportedly signing on behalf of the Legal Entity. The Buyer will not be responsible for articles delivered and/or services performed for its account without a specific written purchase order that has been authorized by the Purchasing Manager.

Governing Law and Limitation of Liability: This Agreement shall be governed and construed in accordance with the law of Illinois without reference to its conflict of laws and/or provisions. It is the intent of the parties that arbitration and mediation shall not be a remedy or prerequisite required by this contract, and any reference to “arbitration” or “mediation” contained in any contract or agreement resulting from the execution of this Purchase Order is void and of no legal effect. The parties waive any right to demand a trial by Jury and agree that the venue for litigation arising from this Purchase Order or any Contract or Agreement entered into subsequent to the execution of this Purchase Order shall be in the Circuit Court for the 16th Judicial Circuit, Kane County, Illinois regardless of the place of business or residence of Seller. The parties agree that this venue is convenient for all of them and each consent to the personal jurisdiction of such court. In the event of any litigation the prevailing party shall have the right to recover its reasonable attorney’s fees and costs. WCC shall not be liable to the Seller, or to any subcontractor, regardless of the form of action, for any consequential, incidental, indirect, or special damages, or for any claim or demand based on a release of information, or patent, copyright, or other intellectual property right infringement.

Indemnification: The Seller agrees to hold harmless and indemnify WCC, its officers, agents, trustees and employees, and defend each of them, against any losses, damages, judgments, claims, expenses, costs and liabilities imposed upon or incurred by or asserted against WCC, its officers, agents, trustees or employees, including reasonable attorneys’ fees and expenses, arising out of the acts or omissions of Seller, its officers, agents or employees, resulting from or connected with Seller’s performance hereunder or failure to comply with any applicable law or regulation.

Bidding: Seller certifies that it is not barred from bidding on agreement/contract as a result of a conviction for either bid rigging or bid rotating under Illinois law. WCC reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and waive any bid irregularities.

Purchases: A purchase order is required for all orders. Seller shall invoice Buyer for the goods at the time of final shipment unless otherwise provided for in this purchase order. Invoices shall show the purchase order number for each separate purchase order number issued. Failure to do so may result in a delay of payment. Packing slip shall be affixed to outside of package(s), listing contents of each package and notating an authorized purchase order number. Shipments without a purchase order will be rejected at the receiving dock.

Warranty:

- 1) Seller warrants that all Deliverables furnished hereunder will be free from defects in design, material, and workmanship, and will conform to applicable specifications, drawings, samples, and descriptions. This warranty is in addition to any warranties available under law, from the manufacturer, or any standard warranty of Seller.
- 2) At the time of delivery, no software shall contain any virus, timer, counter or other limiting design, instruction, or routine that would erase data or programming or cause the software or any hardware or computer system to become inoperable or otherwise incapable of being used in the full manner for which it was designed.
- 3) No Deliverable shall violate or infringe upon the rights of any third party, including, without limitation, any patent, copyright, trademark, trade secret, or other proprietary rights of any kind.
- 4) Seller warrants that it has full title to the Deliverables and has the right to grant to WCC the rights and licenses contemplated herein without the consent of any third party.

Assignment: This purchase order may not be assigned, and no duty or right hereunder may be delegated, or monies payable hereunder, by Seller and Seller may not use any sub-contractor to perform hereunder, without the prior written consent of

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Buyer, which consent may be given or withheld at Buyer's sole discretion. Any assignment made without such consent shall be null and void.

Prices: Buyer accepts Seller's quote or bid prices as recorded on Seller's proposal and on this purchase order which shall not be changed prior to delivery or completion of services without Buyer's prior written agreement. Unless otherwise provided in this purchase order, the price includes all charges for freight and insurance. No separate charges, except those clearly recorded on Seller's proposal and on this purchase order can, or will be allowed. Seller represents that the price charged for the goods and services covered by this purchase order is commercially reasonable and is the lowest price charged by Seller to buyers of a class of purchasers similar to Buyer under conditions similar to those specified in this purchase order. All prices quoted are in U.S. dollars.

Cancellation:

- 1) In addition to all other rights and remedies provided for hereunder or under law (including without limitation, damages) Buyer may cancel all or any part of this purchase order:
 - a) if Seller breaches any of the terms, warranties or provisions hereof
 - b) upon the occurrence of any event entitling Buyer to reject the goods
 - c) if any insolvency proceeding is instituted by or against Seller
 - d) if Seller provides material false information to Buyer
- 2) Buyer, at Buyer's sole discretion, may cancel this purchase order at any time as to the goods not then delivered.
- 3) Buyer shall not be deemed to have canceled this purchase order unless it notifies Seller of its intent to do so in writing. Upon receipt of such notice Seller will immediately stop work and notify any other parties performing any part of the work to stop work and will protect property in Seller's possession in which Buyer has or may acquire an interest.
- 4) Unless Buyer exercises its right to cancel because of the events described in paragraph (1) above or because of other event or condition caused by or under the control of Seller, Seller may claim:
 - a) Reimbursement for actual out-of-pocket cost incurred by Seller as a result of such cancellation (exclusive of costs for materials that Seller can use on other orders) and
 - b) A reasonable profit on the work performed by Seller prior to cancellation. Such claim must be made within twenty (20) days of the notice of cancellation and the total amount of such claim shall not exceed the purchase price for the completed goods. In the event of cancellation Seller shall deliver to WCC all material and information as may have been involved in the provision of services or Deliverables to the date of termination.

Taxes: Waubonsee Community College is exempt from Federal Excise and State Sales Taxes and such taxes shall not be included in prices. Federal Excise Tax Exception Certificate will be furnished upon request.

Articles or Services: Deliverables and/or services to be delivered or performed shall be in accordance with the terms, prices, delivery time, specifications, and conditions as recorded on Seller's proposal and as itemized on this purchase order. Stated delivery time must be adhered to. Buyer reserves the right to cancel this order if Seller does not make deliveries as specified on this order. No substitutions of articles or change of any nature shall be made without written authorization from the Buyer.

Inspection, Acceptance and Payment by Buyer: All Deliverables shall be received subject to Buyer's right to inspection and rejection. Those rejected as a result of inspection will be held for Seller's inspection at Seller's risk and, if Seller directs, will be returned at Seller's expense. Freight to and from original destination for excess goods except for customary quantity variations recognized by trade practice, will be paid by Seller. Payment for Deliverables on an order prior to inspection shall not constitute acceptance.

Responsibility for Deliverables and Risk of Loss: All shipments are to be made "F.O.B. Destination" unless otherwise specified on Seller's proposal and on this purchase order and accepted by Buyer. Seller assumes and accepts that all risk of loss of goods covered hereby shall be borne by Seller until goods have been received and accepted by Buyer or received, installed, and accepted by Buyer, whichever is applicable. When articles are sold "F.O.B. Point of Origin" and the purchase order confirms this, Seller is to prepay shipping charge and record prepaid charges on invoice and attach the original receipt, freight bill or express receipt to the invoice.

OSHA: All equipment and material shall be in accordance with applicable OSHA Rules and Regulations in effect at the time of order.

MSDS: Seller shall forward any required material safety data sheet (MSDS) to Buyer on all products subject to this order.

Prevailing Wage: When a contract/order requires construction of Public Works as defined in the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act, including new structures, renovation, remodeling and expansion of existing structures, maintenance and repair of equipment on a construction site, transportation of equipment or materials to or from a construction site:

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- 1) Seller and its subcontractors must pay prevailing wage to any laborers or workers working on the project. It is Seller's responsibility to determine the appropriate current prevailing wage rate.
- 2) Seller shall maintain a certified payroll which will be required prior to payment, and shall be required to submit a Wage Certification Form and maintain records in accordance with the Prevailing Wage Act [820 ILCS 130/1-12]
- 3) Prior to payment of the purchase price, Seller shall furnish lien waivers, releases, affidavits, and other documents as Buyer requires, keeping Buyer's premises lien free.

Bonds: For Public Works projects over \$50,000, the Seller shall furnish a Performance Bond and a Labor and Material Bond in an amount equal to the contract before commencing work. The surety on the bond shall be a company that is licensed by the Department of Insurance authorizing it to execute surety bonds and the company shall have a financial strength rating of at least A- as rated by A.M. Best Company, Inc., Moody's Investor Service, Standard & Poor's Corporation, or a similar rating agency.

Confidential Data: Seller shall develop, implement, maintain and use appropriate administrative, technical and physical security measures to preserve the confidentiality, integrity and availability of all confidential data, whether in hard copy or electronically maintained or transmitted, received from, or on behalf of WCC or its students. These measures will be extended by contract to all subcontractors used by the Seller. Unless authorized by WCC, Seller may not copy, store, or transmit unencrypted confidential and sensitive data on non-WCC-owned/leased computing devices, or other portable storage or computing devices. Seller shall destroy such data when they are no longer needed for the purpose for which they were released.

Non-Disclosure: Seller shall not announce this agreement and relationship in any press releases or other publications, or use WCC's name or logo's in any marketing materials without prior written consent of WCC.

- 1) All information that is obtained and work performed under this agreement and the Seller's Waubonsee Community College contract/order is considered sensitive, may or may not require use of sensitive and personal data and information and falls under one or more categories of information that is subject to protection from disclosure and misuse, including but not limited to: personal information and highly restricted personal information in connection with law enforcement sensitive data and information, the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. § 552a et. seq., the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g et seq. (FERPA), and personal information as defined under and governed by the Personal Information Protection Act, 815 ILCS 530 et seq.
- 2) Seller agrees to comply with all federal and state statutes, rules and regulations as identified in the Waubonsee Acceptable Usage Agreement (located at www.waubonsee.edu/it), understands that disclosure of any information, by any means, for a purpose or to an extent unauthorized herein, shall be grounds for immediate termination of the contract/order and this agreement, and may subject the offender to criminal and civil sanctions.
- 3) All source materials/data/information and resultant work products compiled or created and any information or portion of information derived therefrom are the property of the Waubonsee Community College and must not be used by Seller for any purpose other than the purpose outlined by the contract/order and this agreement.
- 4) Neither Seller, nor its officers, directors, agents, or employees shall divulge, sell, or distribute any information obtained from Waubonsee Community College or derived therefrom at any point in time to a third party, even after termination or expiration of a contract/order, except as may otherwise be required by law.
- 5) Seller shall notify each of its officers, directors, agents, and employees having access to the Waubonsee Community College information that such information may be used only for the purpose and to the extent authorized in this contract.

Insurance: During the term of this agreement, upon Buyer's request, Seller shall maintain, and require its subcontractors to maintain, insurance policies with limits acceptable to Buyer, to protect against claims that may arise from this purchase order. In addition, Seller and its subcontractors shall maintain Workman's Compensation insurance and Comprehensive Automobile Liability insurance coverage in amounts as required by Illinois law. Seller may be required to provide additional insurance as noted in the BID/RFP documents including but not limited to professional liability, E & O (Errors and Omissions), environmental liability and umbrella coverage. WCC, its officers, agents, employees and assigns as will be named as Additional Insured thereunder on a primary and noncontributory basis and certificate holder for all work performed on Buyer's property.

Independent Contractor: Seller shall perform its obligations as an independent contractor of WCC and nothing herein shall be deemed to constitute Seller and WCC as partners, joint venturers, or principal and agent. Seller has no authority to represent WCC and shall not represent that it or any of its subcontractors are in any manner agents or employees of WCC.

License: Upon payment in full for software, Seller grants to WCC a perpetual, non-exclusive, worldwide, irrevocable, fully paid right and license to install and use the software on all computing devices used by or for the benefit of WCC. This license is

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subject to the limitation on the maximum number of end users or other limitations listed on Seller's proposal, but if none, this license shall be deemed to be enterprise-wide and the software may be used by all WCC end users without any maximum number. Any Deliverable under this purchase order that may be subject to a copyright shall be considered a "work for hire" as defined by the U.S. Copyright Act and shall be owned by WCC and WCC shall be considered the author of such item. If a Deliverable shall not be considered a "work for hire" under the U.S. Copyright laws, Seller hereby irrevocably assigns all right, title, and interest in the Deliverable, including all intellectual property rights effective from the moment of creation of the Deliverable.

Smoke Free Campus: The policy of the WCC Board of Trustees is to have a smoke free college environment. Smoking on college grounds and inside college facilities and college vehicles is prohibited. Smoking is only permitted inside private vehicles.

Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity: Waubensee Community College is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer and does not discriminate against any employee or service provider because of race, sex, color, age, religion, national origin, marital status, veteran's status, physical or mental disability or any other protected status under federal or state law.

Entire Agreement: This purchase order, together with any written documents incorporated by reference, constitutes the entire agreement between Buyer and Seller with respect to this transaction and supersedes all previous communications. Any additional or different terms by the Seller or Seller's acknowledgement are rejected by the Buyer unless expressly agreed to in writing by an authorized representative of the Buyer. This agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of all heirs, personal representative, successors and assigns of the Seller.

Appendix B - INSURANCE AND INDEMNITY REQUIREMENTS

1. **SAFETY:** The Contractor, its agents, employees, material men and its Subcontractors will perform all work on the project in a safe and responsible manner, and in compliance with all Federal, State and local safety requirements and standards.
2. **INDEMNIFICATION:** The work performed by the Contractor shall be at the risk of the Contractor exclusively. To the extent permitted by law, Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless Owner, affiliated companies of Owner, their partners, joint venturers, representatives, members, designees, officers, directors, shareholders, employees, agents, successors, and assigns ("Indemnified Parties"), from and against any and all claims for bodily injury, death or damage to property, demands, damages, actions, causes of action, suits, losses, judgments, obligations and any liabilities, costs and expenses (including but not limited to investigative and repair costs, attorney's fees and costs, and consultants' fees and costs) which arise in whole or in part or are in any way connected with the Work performed, Materials furnished, or Services provided under this Agreement by Sub-Contractor or its agents.
3. **INSURANCE:** The insurance required shall be written for the duration of the Contract in amounts not less than the following minimum limits or as required by law whichever is greater. The Insurer must give the college at least 30 days prior written notice of cancellation and termination of the firm's coverage thereunder. All subcontractors the firm hires must comply with the same requirements.
 - a. Cyber Liability: \$1 million dollars
 - b. Professional Liability: \$1 million dollars
 - c. Comprehensive General Liability including Contractor's protective liability, Contractual liability, Completed Operations and Products liability. The latter shall be written for a period of one year from the date of acceptance by the Owner, to be renewed annually as long as the contract is in force. Minimum limits shall be as follows:
 - i. Not less than \$1 million dollars Each Occurrence, \$2 million Products/Completed Operations aggregate, \$1 million Personal and Advertising Injury limits, and \$2 million General Aggregate subject to a per project aggregate.
 - ii. **Firm shall provide Waubonsee Community College with a Certificate of Insurance and endorsement naming Waubonsee Community College District No. 516, its officers, agents, employees and assigns as Additional Insured thereunder on a primary and noncontributory basis.**
 - d. Workman's Compensation as required by all applicable laws including employer's liability in the amount of \$500,000.00 or as otherwise limited by law.
 - e. Comprehensive Business Automobile Liability including non-ownership and hired car coverage as well as owned vehicles. Minimum limits shall be as follows:
 - i. Written in the amount of not less than \$1 million each accident and covering any auto.
 - f. Umbrella Liability Insurance: N/A.

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