ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed Bids, in duplicate, will be received by the Forrest County Board of Supervisors until 2:00 p.m. CDT, on Thursday, June 21, 2018, at the Forrest County Board of Supervisors' Administration Building, 641 North Main Street, Hattiesburg, MS, 39401 at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read for construction of the following project:

Forrest County, Mississippi Forrest County Agricultural High School District

New Tornado Safe Room DR-1604-MS-0522

A single bid will be received for the complete project. Bid documents are being made available Online. Plan Holders are required to register and order bid documents at **AEDDBids.com**. Bid documents are available to view on the website, and a physical or digital set of the bid documents is available to be purchased through the website. Please contact Plan House Printing (601.336.6378) for questions regarding website registration and online orders. For questions related to the contract documents contact AEDD Plus, PLLC at 601-425-2973.

Proposals shall be submitted in duplicate only upon the blank bid forms provided with the drawings. Bids may be submitted in person or, for those interested, bids can be electronically submitted at AEDDBids.com under the project name. No oral, telegraphic, telephonic, or e-mail proposals will be considered. Each bid must be accompanied by bid security in the form of a certified check or acceptable bid bond in an amount equal to at least five percent (5%) of the base bid. Said security to be forfeited, as liquidated damages, not penalty, by a bidder who may be awarded the contract, but who fails to carry out the terms of the proposal, execute the contract and post the required performance bond in the form and amount, and within the time specified. The bid bond, or the certified check, if used in lieu thereof, shall be payable unconditionally to Forrest County.

Bids on the project must be received on or before the period scheduled for project and no bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for the project, for a period of 60 days. All bids submitted must comply with requirements of Chapter 3, Title 31 (Section 31-3-1 et seq.) of Mississippi Code of 1972 as amended.

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held at the project site at a time and date to be specified in an addendum. Attendance by all bidders is strongly encouraged.

The Forrest County Board of Supervisors reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive informalities.

Forrest County Purchase Clerk (601)545-6078