

# DESOTO COUNTY SCHOOLS

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June 22, 2021

## NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The DeSoto County School District will receive bids for Interactive Flat Panels for the 2022 school year in the following manner:

### **Bid #325-PANEL-DCS22**

Unpriced bid proposals will be accepted until 10:00 am, CST, Wednesday, July 21, 2021, in sealed envelopes at the DeSoto County Schools Central Services Office, Purchasing Department, 5 East South Street, Hernando, MS 38632, or by electronic bid submission. Submissions will be evaluated and vendors submitting acceptable offers will be invited to submit priced bids. Electronic unpriced bid proposals and/or reverse auction bids can be submitted at [www.centralbidding.com](http://www.centralbidding.com). For any questions relating to the electronic bidding process, please contact Central Bidding at 225-810-4814.

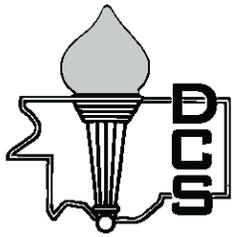
Bids will be received by an electronic reverse auction process administered by Central Bidding on Thursday, July 29, 2021 at 1:00 pm, CST at which time bidding will begin and run until bid completion.

Official bid documents are on file at the office of the Superintendent. To receive a copy of the specifications please contact the Purchasing Department via email: [dcs.purchasing@dcsms.org](mailto:dcs.purchasing@dcsms.org). Specifications may also be downloaded at [www.centralbidding.com](http://www.centralbidding.com), for a fee. All bids must comply with the specifications provided. The DeSoto County School District reserves the right to amend the specifications, as necessary, and agrees to notify all having requested bid packets.

The contract will be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder. The DeSoto County School District reserves the right to waive any informalities and to reject any or all bids.

/s/ Cory Uselton  
Superintendent of Education

To be published: June 24, 2021  
July 1, 2021



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## **BID NOTICE**

To: Prospective Bidder

From: Tish Waugh  
DeSoto County Schools  
5 E. South Street  
Hernando, MS 38632  
662-449-7291

Issue Date: July 24, 2021

### **Notice of Bid/Reverse Auction**

#### **Unpriced Bid Proposals**

Date: Wednesday, July 21, 2021  
Time: 10:00 am, CST  
Location: DeSoto County Schools  
Central Services  
5 East South Street  
Hernando, MS 38632

#### **Bid Opening/Reverse Auction**

Date: Thursday, July 29, 2021  
Time: 1:00 pm, CST  
Location: DeSoto County Schools  
Central Services  
5 East South Street  
Hernando, MS 38632

### **Bid Items**

Bid Number: #325-PANEL-DCS22  
Description: Interactive Flat Panels

### **Procurement Schedule:**

Public Notice to Newspaper	June 22, 2021
Advertisement Publication Dates	June 24 & July 1, 2021
Release of Bid	June 24, 2021
Deadline for Questions/Clarifications	July 7, 2021, 12:00 pm, CST
Unpriced Bid Proposals	Wednesday, July 21, 2021, 10:00 am, CST
Reverse Auction for Approved Bidders	Thursday, July 29, 2021, 1:00 pm, CST
Anticipated Board Approval	Thursday, July 22, 2021

## Instructions and Terms for Reverse Auction Event

Unpriced Proposals will be received by the DeSoto County School Board of Education, 5 East South Street, Hernando, MS 38632 or electronically at [www.centralbidding.com](http://www.centralbidding.com), at the date and time specified on the BID NOTICE. Neither dating of the unpriced proposal form, nor placing it in the mail by this date will meet legal requirements. All unpriced proposals must be received at the Board of Education or electronically at [www.centralbidding.com](http://www.centralbidding.com) on or before the date and time specified in the Procurement Schedule. The DeSoto County School Board of Education reserves the right to reject any and/or all unpriced proposals received and to waive any and all informalities.

1. If submitting a paper unpriced proposal, it shall be typed. Any changes made must be initialed. Changes shall not be allowed after the unpriced proposals are opened. The DeSoto County School District (hereafter, the District) shall not be responsible for any errors or omissions. Unpriced proposals may be hand delivered, mailed, or submitted electronically. Paper unpriced proposals must be submitted in a sealed 8" x 10" or larger envelope. **The envelope or shipping package must be labeled as follows or the bid may be rejected:**

**Attn: Tish Waugh  
Interactive Flat Panels  
#325-PANEL-DCS22  
July 21, 2021  
Name of company or person submitting bid**

2. Any Unpriced Proposals received after the opening date or time shall be refused and marked "Late Unpriced Proposal" and returned to the bidder unopened. For this purpose, the official time for the Unpriced Proposal opening shall be based upon the time as indicated by the Purchasing Department. It is solely the responsibility of the bidder to ensure Unpriced Proposals are received prior to the opening date and time.
3. Unpriced Proposals may be modified or withdrawn by written notice from the bidder, if received by the Purchasing Department prior to the date and time set forth in the BID NOTICE. In order to modify an Unpriced Proposal, the bidder must submit a new Unpriced Proposal with the words "Modified Unpriced Proposal" shown in the lower left corner of the sealed envelope or shipping package. The original Unpriced Proposal remains the property of the District. Telephone modifications or withdrawals will not be accepted. If a bidder withdraws an Unpriced Proposal, all documents shall remain the property of the District.
4. All items contained in this Unpriced Proposal are to be per specifications unless otherwise specified.
5. Paper Unpriced Proposals shall be submitted on the supplied Unpriced Proposal Form. Electronic Unpriced Proposals shall be submitted online at [www.centralbidding.com](http://www.centralbidding.com). Should the bidder's response not be submitted on the supplied Unpriced Proposal Form, the District reserves the right to reject the bid.
6. If the District's Superintendents Office is closed for any reason, including but not limited to inclement weather, an emergency situation or any other act of nature, for which closure prevents the opening of bids at the originally advertised date and time, all bids received shall be publicly opened and read aloud on the next business day that the District's Superintendents Office shall be open for business at the previously advertised time. The new date and time of bid opening, as determined in accordance with this paragraph, shall not be advertised. Any vendors that have been invited to participate in the reverse auction will be notified of such changes. DeSoto County Schools shall not be held responsible if invited vendor fails to comply or misses reverse auction due to no fault of the District.

**Qualification of Bidders:**

Unpriced Proposals will be evaluated by staff of the District. All bidders submitting acceptable specifications will be invited to participate in the electronic reverse auction. The District reserves the right to extend the auction date if necessary, to complete the pre-qualification process.

**Method of Bidding:**

Bids from approved vendors will be accepted during an electronic reverse auction bid event that has a starting date and time of Thursday, July 29, 2021 at 1:00 pm, CST. Bids will only be accepted in an Electronic Process hosted by Central Bidding and the Supplier must complete the free registration at: <https://www.centrauctionhouse.com/registration.php> to participate in this Electronic Reverse Auction Bid Process. For any questions relating to the electronic submittals and/or bidding process, please call Central Bidding at 225-810-4814.

**Accounting Practices:**

The DeSoto County School District requires that Purchase Orders be issued before any items are ordered or delivered. The DeSoto County School District shall not be responsible for any products delivered without an approved Purchase Order and/or without a signed acknowledgement of receipt by a District employee at time of delivery. The awarded bidder shall provide accurate, legible, and timely documentation, such as invoices, credits, and statements as requested by the District. The awarded bidder agrees to receiving payment within 45 days from date of receipt of a properly submitted invoice, or within 45 days after inspection and approval of the goods and/or services by DeSoto County Schools, whichever is later. In the event of a bona fide dispute, the awarded bidder agrees that DeSoto County Schools shall pay only the amount not in dispute, as per Miss. Code Ann. 31-7-305.

**Budgetary/Funding Constraints:**

The District reserves the right to reduce or increase the quantity or retract any item from the bid without any obligations or penalty based upon availability of funds.

**Governing Law:**

This agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Mississippi. The venue for the resolution of any dispute shall be DeSoto County, Mississippi. The bidder expressly agrees that under no circumstances shall the District be obligated to pay attorney fees, or the cost associated with any legal action initiated by the bidder.

**W-9 Form:**

The DeSoto County School District requires the attached W-9 Form to be completed and included in your bid submission.

**Insurance Requirements:**

The awarded bidder will be required to present the District with a certificate of coverage documenting general liability insurance coverage of \$1,000,000 listing the District as additional insured and workers' compensation insurance coverage of \$500,000 per occurrence. This certificate must be presented to the District prior to approval of the awarded bidder by the DeSoto County Board of Education. The policy must remain in effect during the entire term of the bid.

Vendor Information & Agreement Form

**Interactive Flat Panels Unpriced Proposal**

July 21, 2021, 10:00 am, CST

**Bid #325-PANEL-DCS22**

I/We propose to furnish and deliver the items on the Unpriced Proposal Form according to your specifications.

I/We further agree not to request permission to withdraw our bid after the bids have been opened.

This bid consists of the (A) Bid Notice, (B) Bid Instructions and Terms, (C) the Required Specifications, and (D) the Unpriced Proposal Form.

I/We, the undersigned, do hereby understand, acknowledge, and accept the instructions under which this Unpriced Proposal was requested by the DeSoto County School District.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Company Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Representative Name (Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Federal Tax I.D. Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Fax

\_\_\_\_\_  
Email

**If applicable, please acknowledge acceptance of addenda/clarification issued by checking below:**

**Addendum 1**\_\_\_\_ **Addendum 2**\_\_\_\_ **Addendum 3**\_\_\_\_ **Addendum 4**\_\_\_\_

**Complete and return with your Unpriced Proposal paperwork due July 21, 2021 by 10am, CST**

- **Vendor Information & Agreement Form**
- **Unpriced Bid Proposal Form**
- **Specifications for equivalent item**
- **Insurance Accord Form**
- **W-9**



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Bid #325-PANEL-DCS22

## Required Specifications

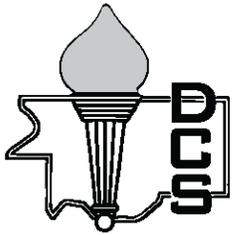
DeSoto County Schools will be conducting a bid for a quantity range of **40 to 120** Interactive Flat Panels. The panels bid must meet the specifications listed below to be considered.

Bid will expire May 6, 2022. Bid price must remain in place until this date.

Interactive Flat Panels being bid must be the interactive flat panel noted below or an equivalent that meets the specifications listed below. If bidding an equivalent item, specifications for it must be included with Unpriced Proposal submitted 10 am, CST, July 21, 2021. If specifications for equivalent item is not included with Unpriced Proposal submission, it may be grounds for dismissal from inclusion in the reverse auction scheduled for July 29, 2021 at 1 pm, CST.

### Panel Specifications or equivalent/better

- Promethean Activpanel Nickel 75" interactive panel **or equivalent with equal features listed below:**
  - 4K UHD Resolution (3840 x 2160 @ 60Hz)
  - LED Lifespan 50,000 hours
  - Energy Star Certified
  - Dual front facing 15-watt speakers
  - Vellum writing technology with 1mm touch accuracy
  - 15 continuous touch points
  - Built-in Android 8 OS
  - 2GB RAM and 16GB Interstorage integrated into panel
  - 1x OPS Slot, 2x HDMI In Slots, 2x USB Touch, 1x USB-C for charging small connected devices, 1x VGA, 1x AV, Mic In (3.5mm), headphones (3.5mm), Gigabit Ethernet in, 1x RJ45 Gigabit Ethernet out, compatible with all major operating systems, built-in wireless, ambient light sensor for auto brightness adjustment
- **Features and Interactivity**
  - Unified menu to easily access resources over any source, accessible from left, right, and bottom of screen
  - Infinite whiteboard/tools, annotate over any source, floating timer, and spinner
  - Wireless mirroring of multiple devices with touchback (IOS, Mac, Windows 10)
  - Ability to access Microsoft OneDrive and Google Drive directly from panel
  - Customize user profiles with pin security
  - Integrated application locker with additional teacher resources
  - Panel management with firmware and software updates
  - Source detection and identification
  - Active and disable touch
  - Palm rejection
  - Screen freeze/screen blank



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## Required Specifications – Page 2

- **Software**

- Google for Education partnership
- Promethean Panel Management (equivalent or better) included at no charge
- ActiveInspire Software License (equivalent or better) included with subscription, no fees
- ClassFlow Software License with Google Integration (equivalent or better) included with no subscription fees

- **Accessories**

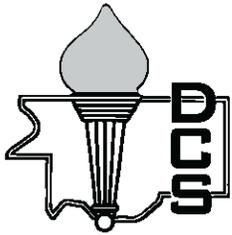
- Activpanel Nickep pen
- Remote control
- Batteries for remote control
- 3M HDMI Cable
- 25ft HDMI Cable
- 3M USB Cable A-B
- 25ft USB Cable A-B
- VESA mount screws
- Mini PC Bracket with screws
- Quick install guide
- Promethean Wi-Fi Module (Ni/Co)
- Antenna
- Promethean Wi-Fi Module user guide
- Wall Mount
- Required cable raceway to conceal and manage data and power cables

- **Warranty and Support**

- 5-year Onsite Support Warranty
- Telephone technical support available at no cost for life of panel

- **Panel Cart (Optional)**

- Panel must be able to mount onto a cart designed for the panel



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## Required Specifications – Page 3

- **Installation**

- Whether the winning vendor does the installations or hires a subcontractor to perform the work, the installing organization cannot be further than a five-hour drive from DeSoto County, or 300 miles. DeSoto County Schools will make every attempt to organize purchases so that as many panels as possible will be available for installation per trip. If very small quantities are purchased later in the school year the installer must be willing to come back to DeSoto County Schools to perform additional installations during the length of the bid.
- All debris from installation must be cleaned and premises returned to same condition as upon arrival.
- Installation should be completed by a qualified installer
- All debris from installation must be cleaned and premises returned to same condition as upon arrival.
- All installations require the Interactive Flat Panel Installation Form (see attached form) be completed and emailed to Lendon Balch within two days of installation [lendon.balch@dcsms.org](mailto:lendon.balch@dcsms.org). Each form includes installation date, serial number of the panel installed, the school name of where the panel was installed, the room number where panel was installed, and the name of the work crew supervisor of installations. This will allow DeSoto County Schools to track installations and completions.
- There shall be no further contracts for installation of panels

# INTERACTIVE FLAT PANELS

BID# 325-PANEL-DCS22

Unpriced Proposal Form

Vendor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

✓ MEETS	✓ ALTERNATE	SPECIFICATIONS
		Quantity range 40-120 Interactive Flat Panels
		Bid to expire May 6, 2022
		Promethean Activpanel Nickel 75" interactive panel <b>or equivalent/better</b>
		4K UHD Resolution (3840 x 2160 @ 60Hz)
		LED Lifespan 50,000 hours
		Energy Star Certified
		Dual front facing 15-watt speakers
		Vellum writing technology with 1mm touch accuracy
		15 continuous touch points
		Built-in Android 8 OS
		2GB RAM and 16GB Interstorage integrated into panel
		1x OPS Slot, 2xHDMI In Slots, 2x USB Touch, 1x USB-C for charging small connected devices, 1x VGA, 1x AV, Mic In (3.5mm), headphones (3.5mm), Gigabit Ethernet in, 1x RJ45 Gigabit Ethernet out, compatible with all major operating systems, built-in wireless, ambient light sensor for auto brightness adjustment
		Unified menu to easily access resources over any source, accessible from left, right, and bottom of screen
		Infinite whiteboard/tools, annotate over any source, floating timer, and spinner
		Wireless mirroring of multiple devices with touchback (IOS, Mac, Windows 10)
		Ability to access Microsoft OneDrive and Google Drive directly from panel
		Customize user profile with pin security
		Integrated application locker with additional teacher resources
		Panel management with firmware and software updates

**INTERACTIVE FLAT PANELS**

**BID# 325-PANEL-DCS22**

**Unpriced Proposal Form**

**Vendor Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

	Source detection and identification
	Active and disable touch
	Palm rejection
	Screen freeze/screen blank
	Google for Education partnership
	Promethean Panel Management (equivalent or better) included at no charge
	Activeinspire Software License (equivalent or better) included with subscription, no fees
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	Activpanel Nickep pen
	Remote control
	Batteries for remote control
	3M HDMI Cable
	25ft HDMI Cable
	3M USB Cable A-B
	25ft USB Cable A-B
	VESA mount screws
	Mini PC bracket with screws
	Quick install guide
	Promethean Wi-Fi Module (Ni/Co)
	Antenna
	Promethean Wi-Fi Module user guide
	Wall mount

**INTERACTIVE FLAT PANELS  
 BID# 325-PANEL-DCS22  
 Unpriced Proposal Form**

**Vendor Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

		Required cable raceway to conceal and manage data and power cables
		5-year Onsite Support Warranty
		Telephone technical support available at no cost for life of panel
		Panel must be able to mount onto a cart designed for the panel
		Installing vendor cannot be further than a five-hour drive from DeSoto County, or 300 miles
		Installation should be completed by a qualified installer
		All debris from installation must be cleaned and premises returned to same condition as upon arrival
		There shall be no further contracts for installation of panels

**\*\*If bidding an equivalent/better to the Promethean Activpanel Nickel 75” interactive panel, specifications must be included with Unpriced Proposal submission due by 10 am, CST, July 21, 2021\*\***



