

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SELECTION OF DEPOSITORY BY THE OCEAN SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given to all financial institutions in Jackson County, Mississippi, whose accounts are insured by Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation of the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation, that pursuant to Article 3, Section 9, Chapter 514, Laws 1985, (codified in Section 37-7-333, 27-105-305, and 27-105-315 Mississippi Code, 1972), and such other laws dealing with depositories, sealed and electronic bids will be received and opened by the by the Board of Trustees of the Ocean Springs School District and/or their designee, at 10:00 AM, CST, on Friday, April 30, 2021, in the Ocean Springs School District Business Office, located at 2300 Government Street, P.O. Box 7002 Ocean Springs, Mississippi, 39566, for the following:

THE PRIVILEGE OF KEEPING THE OCEAN SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT FUNDS, OR ANY PART THEREOF, FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 2021, THROUGH JUNE 2024, OR UNTIL NEW ARRANGEMENTS ARE MADE ACCORDING TO LAW.

The sealed bids or proposals and/or electronic submissions shall designate the kind of security, as authorized by law, which the financial institutions propose to give as security for the keeping of the funds.

Specifications may be obtained in the School Business Office, 2300 Government Street, Ocean Springs, Mississippi, 39564 or by visiting www.ossdms.org. Official Bid Documents may be downloaded, and electronic bids may be submitted at www.centralauctionhouse.com. Bids shall be received electronically until the date/time as stated above. For any questions relating to the electronic bidding process, please call Central Bidding at 225-810-4814. Electronic submittal of bids and/or proposals is not required.

All paper submissions must be sealed and clearly marked:

"BID ON DEPOSITORY FY2022-2024".

The Board of Trustees shall select that financial institution or institutions proposing the best terms, including interest and service, having in view the safety of such funds. The Board of Trustees reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informality.

Joe Cloyd, President
Board of Trustees, Ocean Springs School District
Ocean Springs, Mississippi



2300 Government Street
Ocean Springs, MS 39564
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April 14, 2021

To Whom It May Concern:

Attached hereto are the specifications or terms to be considered by the Board of Trustees of the Ocean Springs School District in the selection of a depository or depositories for the Ocean Springs School District funds.

Please submit your bid no later than 10:00 A.M. on Friday, April 30, 2021 to:

Mary T. Gill, Chief Financial Officer
Ocean Springs School District Central Office
2300 Government Street
P. O. Box 7002
Ocean Springs, Mississippi 39566-7002

Outside of sealed envelope must be clearly marked "BID ON DEPOSITORY FY 2022-2024".

Electronic bids may be submitted at www.centralbidding.com. For any questions relating to the electronic bidding process, please call Central Bidding at 225-810-4814. Electronic submittal of Bids is not required.

Sincerely,

Mary T. Gill
Chief Financial Officer
Ocean Springs School District

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Sealed and electronic bids will be received by the Board of Trustees of the Ocean Springs School District, Ocean Springs, Mississippi, until and opened on Friday, April 30 at 10:00 AM, in the Ocean springs School District Business Office located at 2300 Government Street, P.O. Box 7002, Ocean Springs, Mississippi 36566, for the following:

THE PRIVILEGE OF KEEPING THE OCEAN SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT FUNDS, OR ANY PART THEREOF, IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROVISIONS OF SECTIONS 37-7-333, 27-105-305, AND 27-105-315 OF THE MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, AS AMENDED. SAID DEPOSITORY SERVICE TO BE FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2021, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2023, OR UNTIL NEW ARRANGEMENTS SHALL BE MADE ACCORDING TO LAW.

The sealed bids shall designate the kind of security, as authorized by law, that the financial institutions propose to give as security for the keeping of the funds and shall provide evidence that the institution meets the requirements of Section 27-105-315, Mississippi Code, 1972. Each bank agrees to execute a Collateral Security Agreement and a Custodial Agreement with the District in the form recommended by the State Auditor and the Mississippi Bankers Association for the purpose of complying with Section 1823(e) of FIRREA as necessary to insure that the District will possess a preferred claim to pledged securities in the event of default by the depository bank.

The school district plans to choose one bank to serve as the lead banking institution for all the day-to-day banking transactions for the three-year term. The school district reserves the right to re-bid if market conditions warrant such action prior to the end of the three year term. All banks submitting bids will be considered as depositories, if desired, for the consideration of short-term investment opportunities. Failure to submit a bid, or failure to indicate a desire to serve as a depository bank, will exclude the bank from participating in any banking transactions with the District. The District will only consider banks that have locations within the city limits of Ocean Springs, MS.

After considering the following items, each bank interested in bidding should offer a firm “net” bid that represents the actual interest rate that will be paid to the school district. Banks are not required to bid on all interest rate options presented under the variable rate. The Ocean Springs School District will not consider any bid that includes individual charges for services (i.e., number of deposits, checks written, stop payments, etc.)

SPECIFICATIONS OR TERMS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE BOARD:

1. All bank accounts must be kept separate from each other and a separate bank statement must be provided at the end of each month. Statements must include the actual front and back images of all checks. Interest must be paid on each account.
2. Statements must be available on-line by the 3rd working day of the month.

3. Bank statements should reflect activity from the first day of each month through the last day of each month. Deposit corrections should be sent to the district within two working days. All inquiries, problems, and corrections should be directed to the district accountant.
4. Any charges for services rendered by financial institution such as stop payments, internet services, transfers, research services, etc.
5. Any charges for items such as new checks, deposit books, and stamps. (The district orders a pre-printed check form for the A/P account, but will require a small quantity of bank printed checks on smaller accounts.)
6. Any charges associated with computerized communications with the bank accounts such as Internet banking services, ACH deposits and transfers, etc.
7. The Ocean Springs School District has an established direct deposit program for the payroll account and vendor payments. Please include any charges that may be incurred to the school district for these services.
8. Please indicate if your bank employs the use of any third-party vendors for specific activities such as check imaging, internet banking, digital statements, etc.
9. The institutions submitting bids must include in their sealed bid their most current Statement of Condition and State Depository Certificate. (Failure to provide the Certificate will result in an invalid bid.)

Option 1: Single Financial Institution

1. Fixed rate
2. Variable rate based on -
 - 90-day T-bill
 - 30-day LIBOR index
 - 28-day T-bill
 - Federal Funds Rate

Option 2: Lead Financial Institution (with others sharing a percentage)

1. The Lead Bank will direct the transactions between the other banks. Transactions between banks must be done in the background, not affecting any individual bank account balances so that bank statements can be reconciled without the intra-bank transactions. All transfers shall be made on a **monthly** basis. All bank accounts must be kept separate from each other. This does not preclude any sub bank from contacting the District for clarification of transactions.

2. The Lead Bank must be able to handle the direct deposit program for the payroll and vendor payments.

The Lead Bank will maintain a minimum of 50% of the deposits. Up to three (3) other banks may be chosen to equally split the remaining deposits. The District reserves the right to choose less than three (3) sub banks, given the criteria mentioned below.

3. Criteria for being chosen as sub bank:
 - a. Indicate a positive response to participate in the split of depository funds
 - b. Agree to allow the Lead Bank authority for transfer of deposits
 - c. Agree to match the interest rate stated in the bid by the Lead Bank
4. Fixed rate
5. Variable rate based on -
 - 90-day T-bill
 - 30-day LIBOR index
 - 28-day T-bill
 - Federal Funds Rate

Option 3: Depository Status

Please indicate if you would be interested in being approved as a depository so that you can participate in bidding on certificates of deposit. This is an option for all banks regardless of the award of this bid status.

Option 4: Other Services

Please describe the attributes and options of your internet service. You may also include narratives on any other services your institution offers that you think may benefit the district. None of the information provided in this section will be used in evaluating the bids, but used strictly for informational purposes.

The selection of depository or depositories will be considered at the regular meeting of the School Board on **May 11, 2021**. The Board of Trustees shall select the financial institution or institutions proposing the best terms meeting specifications. The Board of Trustees reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informality.

OCEAN SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT DEPOSITORY BID RESPONSE FORM

GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS OR TERMS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE BOARD:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Response</u>
1. Separate bank statements will be provided for each account, including the back and front copies of all checks	Yes / No
2. Electronic statements will be made available by the 3 rd working day of the month	Yes / No
3. Deposit corrections sent to the district within two working days	Yes / No
4. Charges for services: stop payments	Yes / No \$ _____
secured online banking	Yes / No \$ _____
transfers	Yes / No \$ _____
research services	Yes / No \$ _____
other _____	Yes / No \$ _____
5. Charges for items: limited check stock	Yes / No \$ _____
deposit books	Yes / No \$ _____
stamps	Yes / No \$ _____
locking bank bags	Yes / No \$ _____
6. Charges for items: ACH deposits and transfers	Yes / No \$ _____
7. Provides a direct deposit program for the payroll and vendor payments	Yes / No \$ _____

Brief commentary on your bank's procedures for direct deposit program:

8. Utilizes third-party vendors Yes / No
- Areas: check imaging Yes / No \$_____
- internet banking Yes / No \$_____
- digital statements Yes / No \$_____
- other Yes / No \$_____
9. Copy of Statement of Condition and State Depository Certificate enclosed Yes / No

Option 1: Single Financial Institution

1. Fixed interest rate quote _____
2. Variable rate quote: 90-day T-bill _____
- 30-day LIBOR index _____
- 28-day T-bill _____
- Federal Funds Rate _____

Option 2: Lead Financial Institution (with others sharing a percentage)

1. Agree to allow Lead Bank to make monthly transactions Yes / No
2. Provide the direct deposit program for the payroll account Yes / No
3. a. Agree to Participate as a sub bank Yes / No
- b. Agree to allow the Lead Bank authority for transfers Yes / No
- c. Agree to match the Lead Bank interest rate Yes / No
4. Fixed interest rate quote as Lead Bank _____
5. Variable rate quote: 90-day T-bill _____
- 30-day LIBOR index _____
- 28-day T-bill _____
- Federal Funds Rate _____

Option 3: Depository Status

Interested in depository status

Yes / No

Option 4: Other Items

Assurances:

_____ (Name of Bank) is insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation or the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation, or any successors to such insurance corporations.

_____ (Name of Bank) has met the primary capital to assets ratio of five and one-half percent (5½%) or more as of June 30, 2021 and has received certification of such from the Mississippi State Treasurer. Please provide a copy of the certification.

_____ (Name of Bank) has one or more offices located within Ocean Springs, Mississippi.

_____ (Name of Bank) is a qualified public funds depository as approved by the Mississippi State Treasurer under Sections 27-105-5 and 27-105-6, Mississippi Code Ann. (1972). The qualified financial institution shall secure those deposits by placing qualified securities on deposit with the Mississippi State Treasurer as provided in Section 27-105-5, Mississippi Code Ann. (1972).

_____ (Name of Bank) agrees to execute a Collateral Security Agreement and a Custodial Agreement with the District in the form recommended by the Mississippi State Auditor and the Mississippi Bankers Association for the purpose of complying with Section 1823(e) of FIRREA as necessary to insure that the District will possess a preferred claim to pledged securities in the event of default by the depository bank. All Collateral Security and Custodial Agreements will be executed prior to July 1, 2021. Any current Agreements in force must be re-executed prior to July 1, 2024.

_____ (Name of Bank) agrees to prepare monthly statements beginning with the first day of the calendar month and ending with the last day of the calendar month, showing debits, credits, balances and sequential listing of cashed/cleared checks within five (5) working days of the statement closing date. In addition, the depository agrees to include all checks or check images in numerical order in the monthly statements.

_____ (Name of Bank) agrees to contact the School District before adjusting any discrepancy in the amount shown on the deposit slip(s) and the funds deposited.

_____(Name of Bank) will allow unlimited deposits and other credits into the accounts and unlimited transfers to other accounts contained in said bank.

_____(Name of Bank) agrees to provide ledger credit on the same day as deposits occur (holidays and weekends excepted). This includes same day credit on wire transfers of funds from federal and state government and same day credit on deposits made by the District.

_____(Name of Bank) shall provide direct deposit services for the District's monthly payroll. Please indicate if the bank will disburse the direct deposit to individual accounts or will move the deposit to a third party for disbursement. The monthly payroll must be available for use by the employees on the last working day of the month. Please indicate how many days prior to the date must the payroll be available, and if applicable, the latest time of the day, in the payroll clearing account _____ (number of days prior, time of day).

_____(Name of Bank) agrees to provide the requested information necessary, e.g., confirmation of account balances for the completion of the annual audit at no charge to the District or its auditors.

_____(Name of Bank) agrees to, if requested, offer advice on cash management and investment strategies necessary to properly utilize the District's assets.

_____(Name of Bank) agrees to allow the District to establish or maintain checking or saving accounts with no service charges or fees for deposits credited, checks paid, incoming wire transfers or returned deposit items. In addition, the depository agrees to provide the following services and no charge or a minimum charge to the District.

Financial Institution: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Authorized Signature

Date

Type or Printed Name

Title

	Monthly Totals	# Accounts
July	\$ 17,156,889.92	12
August	\$ 15,404,099.04	12
September	\$ 15,065,025.72	12
October	\$ 13,347,733.40	12
November	\$ 11,102,064.79	12
December	\$ 10,547,123.13	12
January	\$ 17,685,647.58	12
February	\$ 22,016,966.70	12
March	\$ 23,321,496.48	12

Debits/Credits per Month by Account

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