## CONTRACT WORKER REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS



### Contract Worker for Interim Superintendent – Mississippi School for the Blind

RFx Number: 3140000961

Mississippi Department of Education
Office of Academic Education
Central High School Building
359 North West Street, Suite 312
Jackson, MS 39205

Contact: Darla Hammons Phone: 601-359-3197

Email: dhammons@mdek12.org

Date: June 2, 2017

#### INTRODUCTION

The Mississippi Department of Education (MDE) is currently seeking a contract worker for the Mississippi School for the Blind to serve as the Interim Superintendent.

#### **SCOPE OF WORK/JOB DUTIES**

The main duties of this contract worker position revolve around the Mississippi School for the Blind. The duties are not limited to:

- Administrative work in directing and coordinating the affairs of the Mississippi School for the Blind.
- Will be responsible for carrying out approved policies of the State Board of Education, state, and federal rules and regulations governing the institution.
- Primary duties include assuring that funding, expenditures, staffing and contractual arrangements, and related administrative aspects of the Mississippi School for the Blind are administered in accordance with applicable rules and regulations.
- Considerable latitude in planning and carrying out the work of the school may be exercised.
- Work includes assisting the State Board of Education in the development of administrative policies and procedures, general program planning, and the evaluation of results.
- Frequent contacts are required with federal, state, and local officials and agencies, the legislature, and the general public.
- Directs overall financial planning, fiscal accounting and budget activities for the school in order to ensure that funds are expended in accordance with applicable state and federal regulations.
- Conducts investigations, institutes special studies, and reviews reports and related information from the various programs in order to determine operating efficiency and to evaluate effectiveness of existing programs, policies, and procedures.
- Directs and/or approves development of policies and procedures for consistent, effective, and efficient operation of specialized programs for educating the visually impaired.
- Work is subject to the administrative review and direction of the State Board of Education.

#### MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

The selected individual for this position must have served as a successful Superintendent and/or Special Education Director in a high performance district with four (4) years of experience; a Master's degree from an accredited four year college or university in education and fifteen (15) years of experience in education; possession of a valid AA Certification from the Mississippi Department of Education in the Area 221 (Exceptional Education) and possession of a valid AA Certification from the Mississippi Department of Education in the Area 486 (School Administration). Applicants that do not meet the minimum qualifications will not be considered and the applicant will be notified.

#### COMPENSATION AND HOURS WORKED

The position will pay \$62.50 per hour and the maximum number of hours is 2,080 hours for the time period of when the contract is approved by all parties to June 30, 2018 with an option to renew for three (3) years [July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019; July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020; and July 1 2020 – June 30, 2021]. MDE will withhold FICA/Medicare, and federal and state withholding taxes. MDE will pay the required employer contribution for FICA/Medicare.

#### **SELECTION PROCESS**

A selection committee will review acceptable applications which are completed, timely submitted, and meet the minimum qualifications. The most qualified candidates may be interviewed.

Selection criteria will be performed using a standard, 100 point scoring scale as follows:

•	General experience	20 points
•	Special experience	40 points
•	Experience Required	20 points
•	Certification/Licensure	20 points

#### **INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLYING**

- Complete and <u>sign</u> the attached Application.
- Attach a list of at least three references (name and current contact information).
- Attach resume describing your education and prior work history, including relevant work experience.
- Send one original and five (5) copies of all requested information.

#### REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

Questions concerning the RFA should be sent to: dhammons@mdek12.org

The deadline for submitting written questions by email is Wednesday, June 14, 2017 p.m. Copies of all questions submitted and the responses will be posted to MDE's website <a href="https://www.mde.k12.ms.us">www.mde.k12.ms.us</a> under the Public Notices section and will be available to the general public on Friday, June 16, 2017.

#### **DUE DATES**

The <u>deadline</u> for receiving the application packet is **Friday**, **June 23**, **2017**, **at 3:30** p.m. Central Standard Time.

Your application packet (all of the above) should be submitted to the following address based upon the delivery method used:

Hand Deliver Applications to: Lorraine Wince

Office of Procurement

Mississippi Department of Education
Contract Worker Request for Applications

359 North West Street, Suite 307

Jackson, MS 39205 (DO NOT OPEN)

Mail Applications to: Lorraine Wince

Office of Procurement

Mississippi Department of Education Contract Worker Request for Applications

Post Office Box 771 Jackson, MS 39205-0771

(DO NOT OPEN)

Ship Applications to: Lorraine Wince

(FedEx UPS, etc.) Office of Procurement

Mississippi Department of Education Contract Worker Request for Applications

359 North West Street Jackson, MS 39201 (DO NOT OPEN)

#### RESPONSIBILITY OF THE APPLICANT

- At the time of receipt of the application, date-stamped and recorded in the Office of Procurement. The applicant is responsible for ensuring that the application is delivered by the required time and assumes all risk of delivery.
- An incomplete application will be accepted but not considered. No faxed copies will be accepted and the application must be signed.
- We strongly recommend that you plan to submit the application early in order to allow for unforeseen circumstances. Applications will be accepted after the deadline but not considered.
- Complete Acknowledgement of RFA Amendments Form

# Tentative Timeline Contract Worker for Interim Superintendent – Mississippi School for the Blind

6/2/17	Release RFA
6/2/17 6/9/17	Advertisement dates in The Clarion Ledger
6/2/17	Mail, email, and post to MDE website
6/14/17	Deadline for RFA questions
6/16/17	Deadline for program office response to questions and posting to website
6/23/17	RFA due by 3:30 p.m. Central Time (CT) to Procurement
6/26/17	RFA opening
6/27/17	Evaluation of RFA and/or presentations
6/28/17	Notice of Intent to Award
6/30/17	Post-Award debriefing request deadline
7/6/17	Post-Award debriefing
7/11/17	Protest deadline date
7/13/17	Contract to Mississippi Board of Education

#### ATTACHMENT A

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RFA AMENDMENTS**

I acknowledge all amendments, if any, to this RFA. acknowledged by number and date.	. Please list amendments
Responses to questions will be treated as amendments acknowledgment.	to the RFA and will require
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#### MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION CONTRACT WORKER APPLICATION



### Return Completed Application to: Mississippi Department of Education

P.O. Box 771 Jackson, MS 39205-0771

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MILITARY INFORMATION	
ARE YOU A VETERAN OF THE ARMED FORCES?     (IF YOU INDICATED "YES'YOU MUST ATTACH A COPY OF YOUR DD214 OR OTHER PROOF OF SERVIC     IF YOU ARE A VETERAN, WERE YOU DECLARED DISABLED?     YES O NO O	ES.)
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Additional Information (other schools or training; special qualifications; honors and awards; etc.):	
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APPLICANT DECLARATIONS	
By signing this application, I certify that all statements made herein and on any attached documents are	true and complete to the best of my knowledge.
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