

## BIDS AND AWARDS FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS

The public, competitive sealed bid requirement is waived in the case of emergency repairs when the repairs are necessary to prevent the closing of a school. The AEA administrator will certify that the emergency repairs are necessary to prevent the closing of a school. The superintendent will comply with the competitive quote process for those projects subject to the competitive quote law. The superintendent will determine the process for obtaining quotes for projects below the competitive quote limit. The board will approve the quote for the project.

The District will not necessarily award a contract to the vendor offering the lowest cost. Instead, the District will award the contract based on which vendor is deemed in the best interests of the District, of which the cost is but one factor. The board, in its discretion, after considering factors relating to the construction, including, but not limited to, the cost of the construction, availability of service and/or repair, completion date, and any other factors deemed relevant by the board, may choose a bid other than the lowest bid. The board will have the right to reject any or all bids, or any part thereof, and to enter into the contract or contracts deemed to be in the best interests of the school district.

It is the responsibility of the superintendent to make a recommendation and the reason for it to the board for construction contract bids. The board secretary will recommend to the board which bid to accept.

Legal Reference: Iowa Code §§ 72; 73; 73A.2, .18; 297.7-.8

Cross-Reference: 705 Expenditures  
801 Site Acquisition and Building Construction

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