## **INVITATION TO BID**

Washington County Schools is extending an invitation to all qualified companies to submit a bid to perform all work associated with the Vernon Middle School HVAC Renovations for Washington District Schools, Vernon, Florida.

Sealed bids will be received on February 4, 2021, until 2:00 PM, Central Time, in the Board Meeting Room at the Washington County School Board Office, 652 Third Street, Chipley, Florida 32428. The bids shall be opened and read aloud at that time. The work shall consist of removal and replacement of all wall mounted heat pump units, digital controls, all associated work in accordance with the Plans and Specifications prepared by **WATFORD ENGINEERING**, 4452 Clinton Street, Marianna, Florida 32466.

Bids shall be a lump sum price; segregated bids will not be accepted.

Drawings and specifications may be examined at the office of the Engineer.

Contractors may obtain documents at the office of the Engineer, 4452 Clinton Street, Marianna, FL 32466. A deposit of \$100 per set will be required, made payable to Watford Engineering. Plan and specification deposits by General Contractors will be refunded if the Contractor submits a bonafide bid and documents are returned to the Engineer within five calendar days after the bid opening in usable condition. The Engineer's decision on usable condition shall be final.

A mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting shall be held for all concerned parties on January 21, 2021 at the Vernon Middle School, 3190 Moss Hill Road, Vernon, FL 32462 at 10:00 AM Central Time in the Main Office. Notification of any changes in meeting time/date will be made only to listed plan holders.

Each bid shall be accompanied by Bid Security in the form of a Certified Check, Bid Bond, or Cashier's Check made payable to the Owner in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the total Bid amount as a guarantee that the Bidder, if awarded the Contract, will, within ten (10) days thereafter, furnish satisfactory Bonds and enter into a written Contract with the Owner in accordance with the accepted Bid and the terms as stated in the Contract Documents. If cash or check Bid Security is used, then the Bidder shall furnish with his Bid, a commitment from Surety that a Performance and Payment Bond will be issued if the Contract is awarded to the Bidder. The attorney-in-fact, or other officer who signs a Bid Bond, shall file with such Bond a certified copy of power-of-attorney authorizing him to do so.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Bids, accept Bids in any order or combination, accept or reject portions of Bids, make modifications to the work after bidding, and waive any informalities in the Bids if deemed in its best interest to do so. No bid may be withdrawn for sixty (60) days after the actual closing time for receipt of bids.