

LEGAL NOTICE: REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Ohio Schools Council (OSC) is seeking sealed proposals for the purchase of approximately 68+ school buses (including conventional, transit, Type A, lift/non-lift, 35–84 passenger) and 20+ vans (up to 9-passenger, lift/non-lift) on behalf of 44 or more member districts, county boards of developmental disabilities, and municipalities within the OSC, Trumbull County ESC, and Unified Purchasing Cooperative of the Ohio River Valley (UPC).

Submission Deadline & Requirements

- Deadline: Tuesday, November 3, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. EST.
- Format: Respondents must provide one (1) sealed paper proposal AND one (1) electronic copy (Flash drive, CD, or email to krocco@osconline.org).
- Note: The electronic copy serves as the official document.
- Delivery Address: OSC, [6393 Oak Tree Blvd., #377, Independence, Ohio 44131](#).

Proposal Opening

Proposals will be opened publicly in person and via Zoom on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, at 10:05 a.m. EST. Late submissions will not be accepted. Proposals shall be firm for at least ninety (90) days from the date received. No proposal shall be permitted to be withdrawn without the express approval of the OSC, except as provided under the Ohio Revised Code.

Compliance & Specifications

All vehicles must meet all safety regulations and Ohio minimum standards for school bus and transit van construction (pursuant to ORC §4511.01).

The OSC is an Equal Opportunity Employer and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, religion, military status, or any other legally protected category.

The OSC, Trumbull County Educational Service Center, UPC, and all participating entities reserve the right to accept or reject any and all proposals.

Contact Tami Perkins at tperkins@osconline.org or [216-447-3100, ext. 6103](tel:216-447-3100) to get a copy of the bid specifications.

Ohio Schools Council
William J. Zelei, *Executive Director*

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