

MassHire Metro North Workforce Board Request for Quotes

Bus Provider for a Series of Career Exploration Field Trips for High School Students

Questions as of 8/26/26

Q. I'm inquiring about the bid for field trips for high school students. Would regular 7D vans be accepted for this proposal? Or only big buses?

A. Any transportation provider is welcome to apply, even if they operate vans or buses smaller than a school bus. Please be sure to note how your pricing model scales for accommodating a group of 20-30 passengers across multiple vehicles.

Q. Section 3 of the RFQ highlights that individual field trips will be communicated to providers approximately 4 to 12 weeks in advance. What size/ type of vehicles are anticipated to be used to service these trips, and what fleet information should bidders include in their proposal?

A. In the past, school buses have been primarily used for field trips, however as noted in the answer above we are open to considering other sized vehicles. If your proposal includes a few different types of vehicles in your fleet, please address how many passengers each vehicle holds and their price point. If it is helpful for planning, you can use 20-30 passengers as the average group size for a field trip.