

# **Whitmore Lake Public Schools**

## **Request for Proposals**

### **Charter School Proposals**

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF WHITMORE LAKE PUBLIC SCHOOLS WILL RECEIVE PROPOSALS FOR CHARTER SCHOOLS TO BE AUTHORIZED BY WHITMORE LAKE PUBLIC SCHOOLS UNTIL **WEDNESDAY, November 27, 2019 @ 3:30 p.m.** AT THE ADMINISTRATION OFFICE OF WHITMORE LAKE PUBLIC SCHOOLS, 8845 MAIN STREET, WHITMORE LAKE, MI 48189

The Board of Education will not consider or accept a proposal received by the Board after the above-specified date and time for Proposal submission.

The Board of Education reserves the rights to waive any irregularity or informality in its Request for Proposals ("RFP") process, to reject any or all Proposals, and to accept the Proposal or Proposals which the Board determines will perform in the District's best interests. Ultimately, the group or groups whose proposal(s) represents the best educational opportunity for students will be selected for implementation. Proposals are to be presented in accordance with the RFP specifications.

### **INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTING PROPOSALS**

Respondents shall submit an original proposal and three (3) copies. Also include an electronic version of the proposal on a thumb drive. Proposals shall be sealed and clearly labeled "Charter School RFP".

Any proposal may be withdrawn or modified by written request made by the submitter, provided such request is received by the District at the above address prior to the date and time established for receipt of proposals.

**The costs of preparing a response to this RFP are the Submitter's sole responsibility and will not be reimbursed by the District.**

Questions on this RFP should only be directed to  
Tom DeKeyser (734) 449-4464  
[tom.dekeyser@wlps.net](mailto:tom.dekeyser@wlps.net)

### **WHITMORE LAKE PUBLIC SCHOOLS REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

#### **CHARTER SCHOOL PROPOSALS**

Whitmore Lake Public Schools (the "District") is currently accepting public school academy proposals with an emphasis on new and innovative teaching techniques or the documented ability to dramatically increase the academic achievement of students in their academies. The District is interested in academy proposals that provide skilled trades training to youth. Those interested must be concerned with the access to meaningful public education for children who need a thoughtful, caring, safe, and nurturing environment. Among other things, a successful proposal must demonstrate the ability to increase the academic achievement of students with less than exemplary educational histories. The District is particularly interested in management plans that incorporate a financially sound and challenging public school program that promotes mathematics, science, and technology while promoting retention and successful high school graduation. Consideration will be given to those who can document a successful history for the

delivery of charter school academy education in an alternative school, skilled trades, and/or traditional public education system in cooperation with the District or other recognized authorizer. Proposals must contain an appropriate and viable location along with a clear statement of purpose clearly outlining how the proposed school will align with the interests of The District. Proposals shall not exceed three (3) double spaced pages; proposals exceeding this limit will not be reviewed. Proposals will not be accepted via email.

The District is willing to consider proposals for new schools organized under Part 6A of the Revised School Code (the "Code"). Proposals will be accepted by the District from now until 3:30 PM on November 27, 2019. Proposals should be addressed to:

Superintendent Tom DeKeyser  
Whitmore Lake Public Schools  
8845 Main Street  
Whitmore Lake, MI 48189

After review, a successful submitter may be invited to negotiate the terms of a charter contract with the District as authorizer. The District reserves the right to accept or reject all proposals and all applications. The invitation to submit a proposal or an application to the District is not a guarantee or commitment by the District that a public charter school contract will be issued.