

# Park School of Buffalo Front Sign Project

## Request for General Construction Bids

The Park School of Buffalo has issued this Request for Construction Bids for the selection of a General Contractor to build a new front sign on Harlem Road as documented in the referenced Bidding Document Set dated July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

### Background and Overview

The Harlem Road entrance to the Park School of Buffalo is presently marked by two brick columns and an LED informational sign. These two markers do not clearly identify the institution or represent the scale and value of its positive impact on the surrounding community. As a solution to this challenge, The Park School of Buffalo and Natural Architecture developed a new sign concept together. The project goal is to construct a sign on Harlem Road composed of brick and concrete piers, solid white oak structure and signboard, and a slate roof. The key purposes of the sign are:

1. Display a signboard clearly communicating to motorists and pedestrians the location of the Park School of Buffalo entrance.
2. Utilize natural materials and traditional building methods to emphasize craftsmanship and respect for the rich history of the Park School of Buffalo.

### Budget

The budget for constructing the sign is \$28,500.

### Key Dates

July 17 <sup>th</sup> , 2023	Bidding Window Opens
July 21 <sup>st</sup> , 2023	Requests for Information due before <b><u>4:00pm</u></b>
July 26 <sup>th</sup> , 2023	Bid Addendum Issued
<b>August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023</b>	<b>Bids Due at 3:00pm (Bidding Window Closes)</b>
August 4 <sup>th</sup> , 2023	Contractor Interviews
August 11 <sup>th</sup> , 2023	Construction Project Awarded
August 18 <sup>th</sup> , 2023	Construction Begins

## Document Access

Hard Copies of Bidding Documents may be purchased at Avalon Document Services in Buffalo. Avalon Document Services is located at 40 La Riviere Dr, Buffalo, NY 14202. Digital Copies of Bidding Documents will be emailed to bidders on July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

## Construction Bid Content

**Cover Letter:** Providing the company and primary name and contact information.

**Project Team:** Provide names, roles, and resumes of key team members.

**Project Approach:** Describe the construction and management approach to constructing the foundations, wood structure, signboard, and slate roof.

**Proposed Schedule:** Contractors should include a preliminary project schedule for the project indicating the tentative completion dates of major milestones.

**Fee Proposal:** Include the following categories in your bid at a minimum:

1. Demolition & Site Preparation
2. Foundations
3. Precast Capstones
4. Wood Structure
5. Slate Roof
6. Lighting

## Selection of Construction Bid

The selection process will be private, and winning contractors will be notified by the Park School of Buffalo. The following qualifications are listed beginning with the most important and will be used to determine which contractor is awarded the bid for this project.

### **Preferred Qualifications:**

- 1.) Exceptional Craftsmanship.
- 2.) Experience and an understanding of traditional timber frame, advanced carpentry methods, slate roof application.
- 3.) Competitive pricing with regard to the six categories identified the Fee Proposal structure above.
- 4.) Scheduling that is both achievable and expeditious.

## General Information

**Project Location:**  
The Park School of Buffalo  
4625 Harlem Road  
Amherst, NY 14226

**Owners:**  
The Park School of Buffalo  
4625 Harlem Road  
Amherst, NY 14226

**Wage Rates:** This is a private project, prevailing rates do not apply.

**Security for Faithful Performance:** The successful bidder will be required to furnish Performance, Labor, and Material Payment Bonds written by firms licensed to do business in New York State, each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amounts.

**Bid Security:** All bids shall be binding for a period of forty-five (45) days after the bid opening date. The Park School of Buffalo reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informalities therein.

**Questions:** Questions regarding this Request for Construction Bids must be submitted in writing (email) to David M. Schoell, AIA at [schoell.architect@gmail.com](mailto:schoell.architect@gmail.com) at must be submitted no later than **Friday, July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023, by 4:00 pm.**

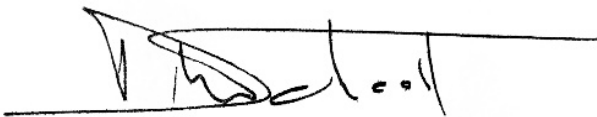
**Submission:** Provide hard copy bids by **Wednesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023, by 3:00 pm** to

(Mail/deliver hard copies to)

C/O Dr. Keith Frome, AIA  
The Park School of Buffalo  
4625 Harlem Road  
Amherst, NY 14226

We thank you for your attention to this exciting project at the Park School of Buffalo.

Yours Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Schoell', is written over a horizontal line.

David M. Schoell, AIA  
Principal Architect: Natural Architecture, PLLC  
716.712.7132



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SOUTH SIDE



NORTH SIDE