



McLean County Unit School District No. 5

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Finance Department

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TO: Board of Education

FROM: Thomas Hoerr, Director of Financial Services

CC: Dr. Kristen Weikle, Superintendent; Joe Adelman, Executive Director of Operations; Jerry Melton, Fleet Operations Supervisor, Martin Hickman, CFO

DATE: September 17, 2025

RE: Recommendation of Award: 260042GD School Buses & MFSABs Invitation To Bid (ITB)

On Friday September 12th, 2025 at 1:00 PM bids were received at the District Office at 1809 Hovey Ave for fifteen (15) New Type D Forward Engine 83 Passenger School Buses, five (5) New Type C 71 Passenger School Buses, five (5) New Type C 35+3 Passenger School Buses with Lifts, and two (2) New Multifunction School Activity Buses.

Two sealed bids were received from Central States Bus Sales, Inc. and Midwest Transit Equipment, Inc., and were publicly opened and read.

Administration recommends the Board of Education award the contract to the lowest bidder, Central States Bus Sales, Inc, for their bid of \$4,540,950.