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February 26, 2026

Mr. William Betts  
Franklin Community School Corporation  
988 Grizzly Cub Drive.  
Franklin, IN 46131

**Re: Hardscape improvements at Franklin Community Middle School, Franklin Community High School and Needham Elementary School**

STR-SEG Project No. 15906

Dear Mr. Betts:

Proposals for the 2026 hardscape improvements for Franklin Community Middle School, Franklin Community High School and Needham Elementary School were received Wednesday February 25, 2026, at 1 p.m. where bids were opened and publicly read aloud. Plans and specifications were picked up by six (6) contractors. Five (5) contractors submitted proposals for the paving work. Based upon the solicitation for proposals, review of the quotes for completeness, and response to the specifications and scope of work, it was determined that Howard Companies was the most responsive contractor for this project.

We recommend that the following work be awarded to Howard Companies for a total contract of **\$316,998.50**

<b>Base Bid #1:</b> Repairs at Franklin Community HS & MS:	<b>\$ 269,498.50</b>
<b>Alternate #1:</b> Asphalt Trail extension at Needham ES:	<b>\$ 47,500.00</b>

Copies of the typed Quote Tab are attached for your use and reference.

Upon board approval and award of the above recommendations, Specialty Engineering Group will prepare the A.I.A. Contract between Howard Companies and the Franklin Community School Corporation.

Specialty Engineering Group would like to thank you and Franklin Community School Corporation for your continued support and consideration. We look forward to a successful completion of the 2026 hardscape project.

Yours truly,  
Specialty Engineering Group LLC

Patrick Wells  
Account Manager

Enclosures

Cc: Ty Nicholson, STR-SEG  
Jeff Bright, FCSC

