



# Oak Park Elementary School District 97

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**TO: Dr. Carol Kelley, Superintendent of Schools  
Board of Education**

**FROM: Jeanne Keane, Senior Director of Buildings & Grounds**

**SUBJECT: Lincoln Boiler Replacement**

**DATE: March 9th, 2021**

**Summary**

The existing two steam boilers located at Lincoln Elementary were installed in the late 1990’s or early 2000’s. Each are cast iron boilers manufactured by Weil- McClain Model 94 Series 3. These boilers are made up of several cast iron sections. There have been multiple leaks at the sealing rings between sections causing corrosion between these sections and allowing water loss. An intermediate section was replaced last winter and we now have additional leaks in other sections. A lifespan of 15 years is typical for a boiler, which can be extended years longer with proper maintenance. The boilers should be replaced as soon as possible in order to reduce the potential for an emergency situation where heat is not available to the facility and the school is shut down with potential loss of instruction.

An RFP for the project was placed in the Wednesday Journal on 1/27/2020. Ten proposals for the above-captioned project were received at the District Office, 260 W Madison Street, Oak Park IL 60302, on Tuesday February 18th, 2021 and publicly opened at 10:00 a.m. I have enclosed a copy of the Bid Tabulation Sheet summarizing the proposals received. The bid results were discussed with FAC on 2/22/2021 at 7:00 pm. FAC unanimously recommended that the Board of Education approve the contract for boiler replacement at Lincoln Elementary School, to the lowest bidder who met all requirements, Ideal Heating Company.

**Bid Recommendation**

Ideal Heating Company is the low-bidder meeting all requirements of the contract documents and bidding requirements at \$508, 333. STR and CS2, our MEP consultant, performed due-diligence to check references, as well as verified the scope in their bid to be consistent with the contract documents.

Ideal Heating Company, 9515 Southview Avenue, Brookfield, IL 60513

Base Bid: .....\$508,333.00 (includes \$50,000 allowance)  
Total Recommendation.....\$508,333.00

Administration will be seeking a motion that the Board of Education of Oak Park District 97 approve the Lincoln Boiler Replacement Project at the March 23rd, 2021 meeting.