



East Aurora Administration Center
310 Seminary Ave
Aurora, IL 60505

Date: December 1st, 2025

To: Dr. Robert Halverson, Superintendent of Schools
East Aurora School District 131 Board of Education

From: Andrew Allen, Assistant Superintendent of Operations

Subject: Recommendation to reject Base Bid 1 and 2 and accept Base Bid 3 for the 2026 Door Replacement.

The Issue:

The East Aurora School District 131 2026 Door Replacements Bid Results.

Justification:

O'Donnell, Bardwell, and the High School have doors which show high usage and the beginning of ongoing issues. After careful consideration, the district will move forward with Base Bid #3 to fix and replace the support hardware on the band and chorus doors of East Aurora High School.

On November 12, 2025, bids were received for the 2026 Door Replacements at Bardwell Elementary School, O'Donnell Elementary, and East Aurora High School. The project was publicly advertised on October 20, 2025, and a mandatory Pre-Bid meeting was held virtually on October 24, 2025. Bids were received for the projects Base Bid Work and no alternate bids were considered. Two (2) bids were received for the project.

Board Policy:

Pursuant to Board Policy 4:60, Supplies, materials, or work involving an expenditure in excess of \$25,000 must comply with the State law bidding procedure, 105 ILCS 5/10-20.21, unless specifically exempted.

Strategic Plan:

This recommendation supports Strategic Goal #2, Operational Excellence that states the following: *East Aurora School District 131 will align and utilize systems and resources that promote operational excellence, efficiency, and fiscal accountability.*

Supporting Data:

Supporting documentation is attached.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board of Education reject base bid #1 and Base Bid #2 and accept and award base bid #3 of the 2026 Door Replacement project to Lite Construction Inc in the amount of \$37,900.



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Timeline for Decision

December 15th, 2025

November 25, 2025

Dr. Robert Halverson, Superintendent
EASD #131
310 Seminary Avenue
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**Re: 2026 Door Replacements Bid Summary & Recommendations
CCA Project #251073**

Dear Dr. Halverson:

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Both bidders provided a base bid total value substantially higher than the estimates for these projects for work involving new aluminum doors. The value of the door repair work at the High School Band Doors were in line with the project estimate. The two bidding contractors were interviewed following the bid opening. Lite Construction Inc. appears to be the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the work requested. Lite Construction Inc. has successfully completed multiple window projects in the district, most recently this past summer. We are confident in their ability to deliver the project on time and on budget.

Attached is a summary of the bid results for: East Aurora School District 131, 2026 Door Replacements Project, for use at the December 1, 2025, B&G committee Meeting and the December 15, 2025, Board Meeting for direction with award of the Base Bid #3 (East Aurora High School) project. Based upon this year's capital improvement budget and the non-urgent need for door replacement, it is recommended that the Base Bid #1 (Bardwell) and Base Bid #2 (O'Donnell) are rejected and deferred to Summer of 2027.

We recommend award of Lite Construction Inc's Base Bid #3 (East Aurora High School)

CONTRACTOR	ITEM	BID AMOUNT
Lite Construction Inc.	2026 Door Replacements Project	
	Base Bid #3 (including allowance) <i>East Aurora High School</i>	\$37,900.00
TOTAL COMBINED RECOMMENDED AWARD		\$37,900.00

To ensure the completion of this project in the summer of 2026, we recommend the Board of Education select and approve the award based on the bids received as soon as possible.

Sincerely,



Richard Blair
Cordogan, Clark & Associates, Inc.

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East Aurora School District #131 - 2026 Door Replacements
CC Project #25-1073
Bid Summary - 11/12/2025

	CONTRACTOR	BID BOND	PRE-QUAL	ADDENDUM (1, 2, 3) RECEIVED	BASE BID #1 - BARDWELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	BASE BID #2 - O'DONNELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	BASE BID #3 - EAST AURORA HIGH SCHOOL
1	Construction Inc.	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$94,160.00	\$180,160.00	\$66,960.00
2	Lite Construction	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$73,000.00	\$122,700.00	\$37,900.00
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