



Date: March 3, 2025  
To: Dr. Jennifer Norrell, Superintendent of Schools  
East Aurora School District 131 Board of Education  
From: Steve Megazzini, Assistant Superintendent of Operations  
Subject: Recommendation to accept the bid to replace the fire panel at Rollins Elementary School.

**The Issue:**

Replace the fire panel at Rollins Elementary School.

**Justification:**

The fire panel at Rollins Elementary School is old and the system panel needs to be replaced to ensure student and staff safety. The district went out to bid to replace the panel. Three bids were opened on Thursday, January 30, 2025 in a public meeting.

**Board Policy and Past Practices:**

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. This work will require a resolution authorizing emergency purchase.

**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:**

Bid results and architect recommendation are attached.

**Recommendation:**

It is recommended that the Board of Education award Base Bid to Elite Technology Systems in the amount of \$177,275

**Timeline for Decision**

March 3, 2025

February 27, 2025

Dr. Jennifer Norrell, Superintendent  
East Aurora School District #131  
310 Seminary Avenue  
Aurora, IL 60505

**Re: EASD 131 –2025 Fire Panel Replacements Project  
Bid Summary & Recommendations  
CCA Project #24-1056**

Dear Dr. Norrell:

On January 30, 2025, bids were received for the EASD 131 –2025 Fire Panel Replacements project. The project was publicly advertised on January 14, 2025, and a Pre-Bid meeting was held on January 16<sup>th</sup>. Bids were received for the project’s Base Bid scope at Rollins Elementary and no alternate bids were considered. Three (3) bids were received. Please refer to the attached bid results.

The project included scope for a complete replacement of the existing fire alarm panel and associated devices at Rollins Elementary. Below is a summary along with our recommendations for use at the **March 3rd, 2025**, Board Meeting for direction with award of the project. Based upon tabulation of the attached bid results for: East Aurora School District 131, 2025 Fire Panel Replacements Project, the apparent low bidder is:

<b>Contractor: Elite Technology Systems, PLLC</b>
<b>TOTAL RECOMMENDED FOR AWARD: \$177,275.00</b>

The Bidder recommended for award has been interviewed and appears to be the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the work requested. Elite Technology System’s base bid is in line with the original estimate for this project that was presented to B&G group. Elite Technology Systems recently completed fire panel replacements at Simmons Middle School in 2024 for the school district on time and on budget. To ensure expediency with the project schedule and longer lead-time equipment, we recommend the Board of Education approve the award of the above-listed base bid.

Sincerely,



Michael Perez  
Cordogan, Clark & Associates, Inc.

