

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 709
Duluth Public Schools
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MEMORANDUM

To: Doug Hasler, CFO/Executive Director of Business Services
From: Tony Kelekovich, ^{TK}Supervisor of Purchasing
Subject: RFP-308 Professional Auditing Services
Date: February 1, 2018

Requests for Professional Auditing Services were advertised in the Duluth News Tribune and sent to six (6) known qualified auditing organizations capable of providing auditing services to the district, effective June 30, 2018. The awarded firm would also have the option of annual renewal by mutual agreement for the subsequent fiscal years through June 30, 2022.

A proposal was received from each of the following firms: Abdo, Eick & Meyers, LLP, RSM US, LLP and Wipfli, LLP. The results are as follows:

	<u>Abdo, Eick & Meyers, LLP</u>	<u>RSM US, LLP</u>	<u>Wipfli, LLP</u>
2018	\$39,700	\$67,975	\$ 40,000
2019	Not Provided	\$71,200	\$ 41,000
2020	Not Provided	\$74,600	\$ 42,025
2021	Not Provided	\$78,200	\$ 43,075
2022	Not Provided	\$82,000	\$ 44,150

Wipfli, LLP submitted a complete proposal, provides a local office, and has been the district's auditing firm for many years. It is recommended that the board accept the five (5) year proposal submitted by Wipfli, LLP in the annual amount of \$40,000 (all inclusive maximum fee) for the audit year ending June 30, 2018.

Peggy Blalock, Finance Manager will attend the February 12, 2018 Business Committee meeting to answer any questions regarding this RFP.

Fund: 01-110-012-000-115-130501

Program: Finance

Fund Custodian: Doug Hasler/Peggy Blalock

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VENDOR LIST

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<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>RESPONSE</u>
Abdo, Eick & Meyers Edina MN	Yes
Deloitte, LLP Minneapolis MN	No Proposal
Grant Thornton, LLP Minneapolis MN	No Response
KPMG, LLP Duluth MN	No Response
RSM US, LLP Duluth MN	Yes
Wipfli, LLP Duluth MN	Yes