

# **Updates to the Community College Rules of Procurement**

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# Overview of Recommendations

**Recognize recent changes in State procurement and purchasing rules as applicable to community colleges.**

- **The current policies were last revised in 2015**

**Recommendation for Board Policies to be updated to reflect the technical changes and increased purchasing thresholds as recently adopted by the Participating Oregon Community College (POCC) consortium and allowable under revised Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) effective January 1, 2024.**

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# Collaboration With Community College Partners



**Partnership since 2005 with other Community Colleges to work collaboratively on procurement policy in an educational environment**



**Recently, there were changes at the state level to Oregon Revised Statutes governing public procurement, specifically changes to thresholds for purchasing**



**The Community College Rules of Procurement were recently reviewed by the Consortium and the Portland Community College Attorney to make changes to be consistent with the State of Oregon rules.**

# Summary of Changes For Clackamas Community College

## Administrative Changes

- Language that is outdated or redundant has been removed
- Definitions for new terms, acronyms, state programs, and clarification of industry and service types.
- Clarification language for public notices

## Threshold Increases

- Three quotes required for purchases or contracts greater than \$25,000
  - Current threshold is \$10,000
- Formal solicitations and Board approvals for all contracts and purchases of \$250,000 or more
  - Current threshold is \$100,000

## What does not change:

- Public notifications and review of solicitations
- Bureau of Labor and Industry prevailing wage requirements
- Use of COBID certified vendors to enhance diversity and inclusion in purchasing

# Questions?

- **Opportunity for discussion and questions**
- **First Reading is April 17, 2024**
- **Second Reading and vote is May 15, 2024**