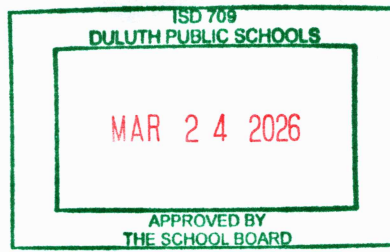


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Re: Lakewood Elementary Boiler Replacement – Duluth Bid Number 1348
Duluth, Minnesota

Dear Board Members:

ICS has reviewed the bids that were received on Tuesday, March 3, 2026, for the above-referenced project. Our recommendation for award is as follows:

Work Scope 1 – Mechanical

A.G. O’Brien Plumbing & Heating Co., Inc. – Duluth, MN
BASE BID:

\$494,390.00

TOTAL

\$494,390.00

Work Scope 2 – Electrical

Benson Electric Company – Superior, WI
BASE BID:

\$30,000.00

TOTAL

\$30,000.00

Work Scope 3 – Site Improvements

R & K Industries LLC DBA Diversified Paving – St. Augusta, MN
BASE BID:

\$170,815.00

TOTAL

\$170,815.00

Based on the recommendations above, we recommend that the District enter into a contract with the above-mentioned contractors for the total bid amount of Six Hundred Ninety-Five Thousand Two Hundred Five Dollars and Zero Cents (\$695,205.00).

Upon Board action, we will draft a contract reflecting this amount to each of the respective Contractors.

Enclosed are copies of the official bid tabulation, bid forms and bid securities. Please contact Mark or Jacob should you have any questions regarding our recommendation.

Regards,

Mark Needham
Project Manager

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Enclosures

Kelly Durick Eder, Board Chair

