



LAKE BLUFF SCHOOL DISTRICT 65

TO: Board of Education
Dr. Lisa Leali, Superintendent

FROM: Jay Kahn, Chief School Business Official

DATE: May 19, 2026

RE: LBMS Tuckpointing Bid Award

Recommendation

Based on the bid results, scope review, and reference checks, Administration recommends the award of the Lake Bluff Middle School Tuckpointing project to KR Tech Group in the total amount of \$102,600, which includes the base bid and alternates #1, #2, and #3.

Background

The recent facility assessment identified significant tuckpoint repair work needed at LBMS. The coping stones and parapet walls are the primary source of most of the masonry damage at LBMS. The open joints allow water to pool into the top of the wall, causing the quick deterioration of the masonry below. Properly caulking these joints will stop most water from entering the wall through the top but limestone is a fairly porous stone and can absorb water as well. It is now standard practice to install through wall flashing and stainless steel drip edge under coping stones to eliminate the possibility of moisture intrusion.

Wight & Co. was engaged to provide professional and engineering services for bid spec development and construction management of the tuckpointing and masonry repair work at LBMS.

Current Situation

A public bid was published on April 17th, an optional pre-bid meeting and tour of the facility was conducted on April 29th, and bids were due on May 6th. There were seven (7) bidders - the bid tabulation and individual bids are attached. KR Tech Group was the low bidder, they received good reference checks, and they have the necessary relevant project experience.

Tuckpointing and masonry repair work at LBMS will be scheduled to take place this summer. Due to the favorable bid results, we will complete all the repairs this summer instead of splitting the work over two years.

This project will be partially funded with a \$50,000 matching State Project Maintenance Grant.



May 13, 2026

Mr. Jay Kahn
Chief School Business Official
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LAKE BLUFF MIDDLE SCHOOL – TUCKPOINTING

Dear Mr. Kahn:

On May 6, 2026, bids were received by Lake Bluff School District 65 for the Lake Bluff Middle School Tuckpointing project. The scope of work includes tuckpointing various areas of the brick façade, as well as replacing sealant joints in the stone copings.

A total of seven contractors submitted bids, as summarized in the attached bid tabulation. KR Tech Group LLC, located at 1547 Brandy Parkway, Streamwood, Illinois, was the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. KR Tech Group LLC's bid proposal includes the following amounts:

Base Bid:	\$54,600.00
Alternate Bid 1:	\$16,000.00
Alternate Bid 2:	\$24,000.00
<u>Alternate Bid 3:</u>	<u>\$8,000.00</u>
Total Bid:	\$102,600.00

The alternate bid scope includes additional areas of tuckpointing and masonry cleaning, which were separated from the base bid to allow flexibility in managing overall project costs.

Wight & Company has reviewed the project scope with KR Tech Group LLC and confirmed that the bid includes all required construction work as outlined in the contract documents. Wight & Company has also reviewed KR Tech Group LLC's relevant project experience and contacted references provided by KR Tech Group LLC. All references offered positive feedback regarding KR Tech Group LLC's quality of work, scheduling, and overall performance.

Based on the bid results, scope review, and reference checks, Wight & Company recommends award of the Lake Bluff Middle School Tuckpointing project to KR Tech Group LLC in the total amount of \$102,600.00, which includes the base bid and all alternate bid work.

Should you have any questions or wish to discuss this recommendation further, please contact me at 630.739.6925.

Respectfully submitted,

Wight & Company

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Gassen".

David Gassen
Senior Project Architect

