

### **INVITATION TO BID**

Leon County School Board Purchasing Department

**Release Date:** May 26, 2021 **ITB No.:** 5650-2022

ITB Title: Deerlake Middle School Tennis Court Repair

and Resurfacing

**Contact:** Nancy Scott / <u>scottn@leonschools.net</u>

**Phone:** 850-488-1206

The Leon County School Board ("School Board") solicits your company to submit a bid on the above referenced goods or services. All terms, specifications and conditions set forth in this request are incorporated by this reference into your response. This sealed bid must be submitted to The Leon County School Board, Purchasing Department, 3397 W. Tharpe St, Tallahassee, Florida 32303, no later than **2:00 P.M.** local time on **June 16, 2021** and plainly marked ITB No. **5650-2022**. Bids are due and will be opened at this time.

**REQUIRED SUBMITTAL CHECKLIST** - For each item below, insert bidder Authorized Agent initials verifying that forms are accurately completed, signed by an officer of the business and returned with the bid. **Failure to provide all requested documents may result in your proposal being declared non-responsive.** 

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Bidder should submit one (1) o	original and one (1) electronic USB	drive			
ITB – Bidder Acknowledgement Form	Customer Reference Form (Exhib	it D)			
Dispute Contact – pg. 6, item 23	Vendor Questionnaire (Exhibit E)				
Bid Proposal Form – pg. 13	oposal Form – pg. 13				
Conflict of Interest Certificate (Exhibit A)	rest Certificate (Exhibit A) — Certification Regarding Debarment (Exhibit G)				
<ul> <li>Application for Vendor Status Forms (Exhibit B)</li> </ul>	Sworn Statement / Jessica Lunsford Act (Exhibit H)				
E-Verify Affidavit (Exhibit C)	Affidavit For Claiming Local Purch	nasing Preference (Exhibit I)			
THE FOLLOWING MUST BE COMPLETED, SIGNED AND RETURNED AS BY AN AUTHORIZED AGENT OF THE BIDDER.  Authorized Representative's Name/Title	Authorized Representative's Signature	Date			
Company's Name	Telephone Number	FAX Number			
Address	City	State Zip Code			
Area Representative	Telephone Number	FAX Number			
Federal Employer's Identification Number (FEIN)	Email				
Signature of Authorized Officer/Agent: (Bid <b>must</b> be signed by an officer or en	Typed or Printe mployee having authority to legally bind the bia				
I certify that I have not divulged, discussed, or compared this proposal was preparation of this proposal in order to gain an unfair advantage in the at the public domain as defined in the Public Records Act, Chapter 119, FS. By signing and submitting this proposal, I certify that I am authorized to scontents of this ITB, all Attachments, Worksheets, Appendices, Supplements	nward of this contract. I acknowledge that all information in the sign this bid for this vendor and further certify unc	mation contained herein is part of conditional acceptance of the			
NO RESPONSE – I HEREBY SUBMIT THIS AS A	A "NO RESPONSE" FOR THE REASON(S) CH	IECKED BELOW			
_	·	nsurance requirements			
☐ Keep our company on bid list for future bids ☐ Could not meet	t specifications $\square$ Product schedule	would not permit us to perform			
$\square$ We do not offer the product or service requested. $\square$ Other					

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### **BID IDENTIFICATION LABEL**

NOTICE TO ALL BIDDERS: A label has been provided to properly identify your bid. Place the bid in a sealed envelope, type the name and address of the bidder on the label and affix the label to the front of the envelope.

The summer hours for the School Board Purchasing office are from 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday. If you are hand delivering a proposal, a Purchasing representative will be available to time/date stamp your submittal during these hours.

Cut out the label below and attach it to your envelope.

Seale	d Bid – DO NOT OPEN	Sealed Bid – DO NOT OPEN
Bid Title: Bid No.: Bids Due:	Deerlake Middle School Te 5650-2022 June 16, 2021 @ 2:00 P.M.	nnis Court Repair and Resurfacing
From: _		
Address: _		
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Deliver To:	Leon County Schools Purchasing Department 3397 West Tharpe Stree Tallahassee, Florida 32	et
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### I. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

**1. INTRODUCTION:** The purpose and intent of this Invitation to Bid is to identify qualified vendors, and secure firm pricing for the repair and resurfacing of the tennis courts at Deerlake Middle School.

A Pre-Bid walk-through will be held on June 11, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. EST at Deerlake Middle School, 9902 Deerlake West, Tallahassee, Florida 32312. All bidders or their representatives are to meet at the site in the front office and document attendance on the conference "sign-in" sheet. Attendees and District representatives will inspect the site and answer questions at that time. All questions should be submitted on or before the Pe-Bid and will be answered during the meeting.

**2. SCHOOL BOARD CONTACT:** All questions for additional information regarding this ITB must be directed to the designated Purchasing Agent noted on the title page.

Prospective bidders shall not contact any member of the Leon County School Board, Superintendent or staff regarding this bid prior to posting of the final tabulation and award recommendation on the website and in the Purchasing Office. Any such contact shall be cause for rejection of your bid.

- **3. DEFINITIONS:** The term "Bidder" as used within this Invitation to Bid (ITB) refers to the person, company or organization responding to this ITB. The Bidder is responsible for understanding and complying with the terms and conditions herein. The term "School Board" refers to the School Board of Leon County, Florida.
- 4. BIDDER'S RESPONSIBILITY: It is the responsibility of the bidder to obtain all pages of the ITB package and all attachments thereto, together with any addenda to the ITB package that may be issued prior to the ITB due date. ITB package and addenda as well as general information can be found at <a href="https://www.leonschools.net/Page/4411">www.leonschools.net/Page/4411</a>.

  Before submitting their Bid, each bidder is required to carefully examine

the ITB specifications and to completely familiarize themselves with all of the terms and conditions that are contained within this request. Ignorance on the part of the bidder will in no way relieve them of any of the obligations and responsibilities, which are a part of this ITB.

**5. AWARD:** In the event of contract award, this contract shall be awarded to the responsible and responsive bidder(s) whose bid is determined to be the most advantageous to the District, taking into consideration price, product quality, and other requirements as set forth in this ITB. The District reserves the right to use the second most responsive bidder in the event the original successful bidder of the ITB cannot fulfill their contract. Any or all award(s) made as a result of this ITB shall conform to applicable School Board Rules, State Board Rules and State of Florida Statutes.

Once bids are evaluated, the Purchasing Department will post a Notice of Intent to Award by electronic posting at

www.leonschools.net/Page/4411 on or about June 21, 2021 for a period of 72 hours or three business days, whichever is later. Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in section 120.57 (3), Florida Statutes, or failure to post the bond or other security required by law within the time allowed for filing a bond shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under chapter 120, Florida Statutes.

It is anticipated that a recommendation for award will be presented to the School Board for consideration at its **June 29, 2021** meeting.

**6. ORIGINAL AND RENEWAL TERM**: The award resulting from this bid shall be in effect on or about **July 6, 2021** with the work to be completed no later than **August 2, 2021** upon Board approval. The awardee will be notified when the recommendation has been acted upon by The School Board. The Bidder agrees to these conditions by signing its bid.

The award resulting from this bid (or any portion thereof) has the option of being renewed for three (3) additional one (1) year periods, or

extended for a period up to 180 days beyond the term, including the final term, upon mutual agreement of both parties, under the same terms and conditions as the original award.

The School Board, through its Purchasing Department, will, if considering a renewal or extension, request a letter of intent to renew or extend from one or more awardees, prior to the end of the current contract period. The awardees will be notified when the recommendation has been acted upon by the School Board. The Bidder agrees to these conditions by signing its bid.

- 7. RESERVATION FOR REJECTION OR AWARD: The School Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive irregularities or technicalities, and to request rebids. The School Board reserves the right to award on an individual item basis, any combination of items, total low bid or, if an alternate bid is accepted, on such terms as are specified for the alternate bid, whichever manner is in the best interest of the School Board.
- **8. CONTRACT:** The submission of your bid constitutes a firm offer by the bidder. Upon acceptance by the School Board, the Purchasing Department will issue a notice of award and purchase order(s) for any supplies, equipment and/or services as a result of this ITB. The Invitation to Bid and the corresponding purchase order(s) will constitute the complete agreement between the successful bidder and the School Board. Unless otherwise stipulated in the bid documents or agreed to in writing by both parties, no other contract documents shall be issued or accepted.
- **9. FIRM OFFER:** Any bid may be withdrawn until the date and time set for the opening of the bids. Any bid not so withdrawn shall constitute an irrevocable offer to provide the School Board the services/products set forth in this ITB. Such offer shall be held open for a period of sixty (60) days from ITB opening date or until one of the bids has been awarded by the School Board.
- **10. CONFIDENTIALITY:** Bidders shall be aware that all submittals provided with a bid are subject to public disclosure and will not be afforded confidentiality with the exception of "sealed" financial statements.
- 11. PUBLIC RECORDS LAW: Pursuant to Florida Statutes Chapter 119.071(1), proposals received as a result of this ITB will not become public record until thirty (30) days after the date of opening or until posting of a recommendation for award, whichever occurs first. Thereafter, all proposal documents or other materials submitted by all bidders in response to this RFP will be open for inspection by any person and in accordance with Chapter 119, Florida Statutes. To the extent a Bidder asserts any portion of its proposal is exempt or confidential from disclosure under Florida's public records, the burden shall be on the bidder to obtain a protective order from a jurisdictional court protecting such information from disclosure under Florida's public records laws and also timely provide a certified copy of such protective order to the School Board prior to the School Board's release of such information into the public domain

### 12. AUDITS, RECORDS, AND RECORDS RETENTION: REQUIRED PUBLIC RECORDS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

To the extent Contractor is required to comply with the Florida Public Records Law, Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, in the performance of its duties under this contract, Contractor will specifically:

- A. Keep and maintain public records required by LCSB to perform the service.
- B. Upon request from LCSB's custodian of public records, provide LCSB with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in the Chapter 119, Florida Statutes or as otherwise provided by law.

- C. Ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the contract term and following completion of the Agreement if Contractor does not transfer the records to LCSB.
- D. Upon completion of the Agreement, transfer, at no cost to LCSB, all public records in possession of the Contractor or keep and maintain public records required by LCSB to perform the service. If Contractor transfers all public records to LCSB upon completion of the Agreement, Contractor shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If Contractor keeps and maintains public records upon completion of the Agreement, Contractor shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records. All records stored electronically must be provided to LCSB, upon request of LCSB's custodian of public records, in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of LCSB.
- E. The failure of the Contractor to comply with the provisions set forth herein shall constitute a default and material breach of this Agreement, which may result in immediate termination, with no penalty to LCSB.

### **PUBLIC RECORDS NOTICE**

IF CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO CONTRACTOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS, JULIE JERNIGAN, AT JERNIGANJ@LEONSCHOOLS.NET,

(850)487-7177, 520 SOUTH APPLEYARD DRIVE, TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32304.

- **13. USE OF OTHER CONTRACTS:** The School Board reserve the right to utilize any other District contract, any State of Florida Contract, any contract awarded by any other City or County governmental agencies, any other School Board, any other Community College/State University system, any cooperative bid agreement, or to directly negotiate/purchase per School Board policy and/or State Board Rule 6A-1.012(6) in lieu of any offer received or award made as a result of this bid, If it is in the best interest to do so. The School Board also reserves the right to separately bid any single order or to purchase any item on this bid if it is in its best interest to do so.
- **14. JOINT-BIDDING, COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT:** All bidders submitting a response to this ITB agree that such response also constitutes a bid to all State Agencies and Political Subdivisions of the State of Florida under the same conditions, for the same prices and for the same effective period as this bid, should the bidder(s) deem it in the best interest of their business to do so. This agreement in no way restricts or interferes with any state agency or political subdivision of the State of Florida to rebid any or all items.

State agencies wishing to make purchases from this agreement are required to follow the provisions of s. 287.042(16) (a), F.S. This statute requires the Department of Management Services to determine that the requestor's use of the contract is cost-effective and in the best interest of the State.

Pursuant to their own governing laws, and subject to the agreement of the Contractor, other entities may be permitted to make purchases at the terms and conditions contained herein. Non-Customer purchases are independent of the agreement between Customer and Contractor, and Customer shall not be a party to any transaction between the Contractor and any other purchaser.

The purchasing agreements and state term contracts available under s. 287.056 have been reviewed.

- **15. BID PREPARATION COSTS:** Neither the School Board nor its representatives shall be liable for any expenses incurred in connection with the preparation of a response to this ITB.
- **16. BID BONDS AND PERFORMANCE BONDS:** Bid bonds, **when required** shall be submitted with the bid in the amount specified in the detailed specifications. Bid bonds will be returned to unsuccessful bidders. After Acceptance of a bid, the School Board will notify the successful bidder to submit a recorded payment and performance bond in the amount specified in the detailed specifications.
- 17. BID OPENING AND FORM: Bid openings will be public on the date and time specified on the Bidder's Acknowledgement Form. All Bids received after the time indicated will be rejected as non-responsive and returned unopened to sender. Bids by Email, fax, telegram, or verbally by telephone or in person will not be accepted. The School Board is not responsible for lost or late delivery of Bids by the U.S. Postal Service or other delivery services used by the Bidder.
- 18. CLARIFICATIONS AND INTERPRETATIONS: The School Board reserves the right to allow for clarification of questionable entries, and for the bidder to withdraw items with obvious mistakes. In the event of a conflict between the General Bid Terms and Conditions and any Special terms and Conditions attached hereto, the Special Terms and Conditions shall have precedence. Any questions concerning terms, conditions or specifications will be directed to the designated Purchasing Agent referenced on the ITB Acknowledgement. Any ambiguities or inconsistencies shall be brought to the attention of the designated Purchasing Agent in writing at least seven workdays prior to the opening date of the Bid. Failure to do so, on the part of the bidder will constitute an acceptance by the bidder of consequent decision. An addendum to the ITB shall be issued and posted for those interpretations that may affect the eventual outcome of this bid. It is the bidder's responsibility to assure the receipt of all addendum issued. No person is authorized to give oral interpretations of, or make oral changes to the Bid. Therefore oral statements given before the bid opening date will not be binding. The School Board will consider no interpretations binding unless provided for by issuance of an addendum. Addenda will be made available at least five workdays prior to the opening date at http://www.leonschools.net/Domain/195. The bidder shall acknowledge receipt of all addenda by signing and enclosing said addenda with their proposal.
- 19. EVALUATION CRITERIA: Primary factors used to decide the award hereunder will be price, availability and responsiveness. Other factors that may be used in the evaluation of this bid will be: (1.) administrative costs incurred by the School Board in association with the discharge of any subsequent award; (2.) alternative payment terms; (3.) Bidder's past performance. The School Board reserves the right to evaluate by lot, by partial lot, or by item, and to accept or reject any bid in its entirety or in part, and to waive minor irregularities if the bid is otherwise valid. In the event of a price extension error, the unit price will be accepted as correct. The School Board has sole discretion in determining testing and evaluation methods.
- **20. DEFAULT:** In the event that the awarded bidder should breach this contract, the School Board reserves the right to seek all remedies in law and/or in equity.

### 21. FUNDING OUT/CANCELATION OR TERMINATION WITH OR WITHOUT CAUSE:

A. WITH CAUSE: In the event any of the provisions of the Contract are violated by the bidder, the Superintendent or designee shall give written notice to the bidder stating the deficiencies and unless the deficiencies are corrected within ten days, recommendation will be made to the School Board or its designee for immediate cancellation. Upon cancellation, hereunder the School Board may pursue any and all legal remedies as provided herein and by law. In the event that it is subsequently determined that a cancellation under this paragraph was incorrect, the termination shall be converted to a termination for convenience pursuant to the next paragraph.

- B. WITHOUT CAUSE: The School Board or its designee reserves the right to terminate any contract resulting from this Invitation to Bid at any time and for no reason whatsoever, upon giving 30 days prior written notice to the bidder. If the Contract should be terminated for convenience as provided herein, the School Board shall be relieved of all obligations under said Contract. The School Board or its designee shall only be required to pay to the successful bidder that amount of the Contract actually performed to the date of termination.
- C. FUNDING OUT: Florida School Laws prohibit the School Board or its designee from creating obligations on anticipation of budgeted revenues from one fiscal year to another without year-to-year extension provisions in the contracts. It is necessary that fiscal funding out provisions be included in all bids in which the terms are for periods of longer than one year. Therefore, the following funding out provisions are an integral part of this Invitation to Bid and must be agreed to by all bidders:

The School Board or its designee may, during the contract period, terminate or discontinue the items covered in this bid for lack of appropriated funds upon the same terms and conditions.

Such prior written notice will state:

- That the lack of appropriated funds is the reason for termination, and
- School Board agrees not to replace the equipment or services being terminated with equipment and services with functions similar to those performed by the equipment covered in this bid from another vendor in the succeeding funding period.

"This written notification will thereafter release the School Board of Leon County, Florida of all further obligations in any way related to such equipment covered herein".

- **22. TIE BID:** According to FS 287.087, tie bid preference shall be awarded to Bidders with Drug Free Work Place programs. Whenever two or more are equal with regard to price, quality, and service, a bid received from a business that certifies that it has implemented a Drug Free Work Place program shall be given preference in the award process. In the event both Bidders have a Drug Free Work Place, preference shall be awarded in the following order: Local Vendors as specified in School Board Policy 6450, SBE certified as specified in School Board Policy 6325. If both Bidders meet all requirements, according to standard purchasing practice, the Director of Purchasing will flip a coin to break the tie. Bidder's company name closest to the letter "A" will always be assigned heads in the coin toss.
- **23. DISPUTE:** In case of any doubt or difference of opinion as to the items to be furnished hereunder, the decision of the School Board shall be final and binding on both parties. In the event a dispute occurs, or a clarification of contract terms becomes necessary, *please indicate your company representative for arbitration proceedings*.

Representative's Name:	
Telephone Number:	
Our School Board Representatives will be:	

Opal McKinney-Williams, B.C.S Pittman Law Group, P.L. (850) 216-1002 **24. PROTESTING BID SPECIFICATIONS:** Any person desiring to protest the conditions/specifications in this Bid or any Addenda thereto, shall file a written notice of protest within 72 hours after receipt of the Bid or Addendum and shall file a formal written protest within ten days after the date the notice of protest was filed. Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays or days during which the School Board administration is closed shall be excluded in the computation of the 72 hour period. If the tenth calendar day falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, the formal written protest must be received on or before 4:30 p.m. of the next calendar day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday, or day during which the School Board administration is closed.

Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in section 120.57 (3), Florida Statutes, or failure to post the bond or other security required by law within the time allowed for filing a bond shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under chapter 120, Florida Statutes and School Board Policy 6326. Failure to follow any other requirements in the bid protest procedures established by the School Board of Leon County, Florida shall constitute a waiver of all protest rights.

25. PROTESTS TO CONTRACT AWARD: The School Board shall provide notice of a decision or intended decision concerning a solicitation, contract award, or exceptional purchase by electronic posting which can be accessed at the Purchasing Department's website at www.leonschools.net/Domain/195. Any person desiring to protest the intended decision shall file a written notice of protest, within 72 hours after the official posting in the Purchasing Department office of the Notice of Intent to Award concerning this ITB, and shall file a formal written protest within ten days after filing the notice of protest. Saturdays, Sundays, legal holidays and days during which the School Board administration is closed shall be excluded in the computation of the 72-hour period. If the tenth calendar day falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, the formal written protest must be received on or before 4:30 p.m. of the next calendar day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday or day during which the School Board administration is closed. Section 120.57(3) (b), Florida Statutes, states that "the formal written protest shall state with particularity the facts and law upon which the protest is based."

Any person who files an action protesting an intended award shall post with the Purchasing Department, at the time of filing the formal written protest, a bond payable to the Leon County School Board consistent with F.A.C. Rule 28-110.005(2), and School Board Policy 6326. The bond shall be conditioned upon the payment of all costs which may be adjudged against protester in an Administrative hearing in which the action is brought and any subsequent appellate court proceeding. Failure to file a notice of protest within the time prescribed by Section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes and School Board Policy 6326.

26. GOVERNING LAW AND VENUE: All legal proceedings brought in connection with this contract shall only be brought in a state or federal court located in the state of Florida. Venue in state court shall be in Leon County, Florida. Venue in federal court shall be in the United States District Court, Northern District of Florida Tallahassee Division. Each party hereby agrees to submit to the personal jurisdiction of these courts for any lawsuits filed there against such party arising under or in connection with this contract. In the event that a legal proceeding is brought for the enforcement of any term of the contract, or any right arising there from, the parties expressly waive their respective rights to have such action tried by jury trial and hereby consent to the use of nonjury trial for the adjudication of such suit. All questions concerning the validity, operation, interpretation, construction and enforcement of any terms, covenants or conditions of this contract shall in all respects be governed by and determined in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida without giving effect to the choice of law principles thereof and unless otherwise preempted by federal law.

**27. COMPLIANCE WITH STATE/FEDERAL REGULATIONS**: All contracts involving federal funds will contain certain provisions required by applicable sections of CFR 34, Section 80.36(I) and Part 85.510, Florida Statute 257.36, or Florida Administrative Code Chapter 1B. The bidder certifies by signing the bid that the bidder and his/her principals are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in federally funded transactions and may, in certain instances, be required to provide a separate written certification to this effect.

During the term of any contract with the School Board, in the event of debarment, suspension, proposed debarment, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in federally funded transactions, the Bidder shall immediately notify the Director of Purchasing, in writing. Bidders will also be required to provide access to records, which are directly pertinent to the contract and retain all required records for three (3) years after the School Board makes final payment.

For all contracts involving Federal funds in excess of \$10,000, the School Board reserves the right to terminate the contract for cause, as well as for convenience, by issuing a certified notice to the Bidder.

**28. COMPLIANCE WITH SCHOOL CODE**: Bidder agrees to comply with all sections of the Florida K-20 Education Code, Title XLVIII, Florida Statutes as it presently exists and further as it may be amended from time to time. Further, Contractor agrees that failure to comply with the Florida K-20 Education Code shall constitute a material breach of this Contract and may result in the termination of this Contract by the School Board.

### 29. NONDISCRIMINATION NOTIFICATION AND CONTACT

**INFORMATION:** "No person shall on the basis of sex (including transgender, gender nonconforming and gender identity), marital status, sexual orientation, race, religion, ethnicity, national origin, age, color, pregnancy, disability, military status or genetic information be denied employment, receipt of services, access to or participation in school activities or programs if qualified to receive such services, or otherwise be discriminated against or placed in a hostile environment in any educational program or activity including those receiving federal financial assistance, except as provided by law." No person shall deny equal access or a fair opportunity to meet to, or discriminate against, any group officially affiliated with the Boy Scouts of America, or any other youth group listed in Title 36 of the United States Code as a patriotic society.

An employee, student, parent or applicant alleging discrimination with respect to employment, or any educational program or activity may contact:

Dr. Kathleen L. Rodgers, Assistant Superintendent
Equity Coordinator (Students) and
Title IX Compliance Officer
Leon County School District
2757 West Pensacola Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32304
(850) 487-7306

rodgersk@leonschools.net

Deana McAllister, Assistant Superintendent Labor and Relations, Equity Coordinator (Employees) (850) 487-7207

mcallisterd@leonschools.net

A student or parent alleging discrimination as it relates to Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act may contact:

Karin Gerold, 504 Specialist (850) 487-7160 geroldk@leonschools.net

- **30. SBDO PROGRAM:** The School Board established the Small Business Development Office to support innovative race and gender neutral strategies to promote qualified small business participation as specified in School Board Policy 6325.
- **31. LOCAL PREFERENCE:** This ITB is subject to the local preference provisions as specified in School Board Policy 6450.
- **32. FLORIDA PREFERENCE:** This ITB is subject to §287.084 Florida Statutes, which requires, among other things, the following: "A vendor whose principal place of business is outside this state must accompany any written bid, proposal, or reply documents with a written opinion of an attorney at law licensed to practice law in that foreign state, as to the preferences, if any or none, granted by the law of that state to its own business entities whose principal places of business are in that foreign state in the letting of any or all public contracts." Any bidder, regardless of whether its principal place of business is located inside or outside of this state, who submits any written bid, proposal or reply documents is responsible for understanding and complying with the requirements of §287.084 Florida Statutes.
- **33. CHARTER SCHOOLS:** Items or services awarded under this contract shall be made available to Charter Schools approved by the School Board. The School Board is not responsible or liable for purchases that may be made by Charter Schools.

### II. LICENSURE, INSURANCE AND LIABILITY

- **1. OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE:** The contractor shall be responsible for obtaining and maintaining throughout the contract period any required occupational license and other licenses required pursuant to the laws of Leon County, the City of Tallahassee, or the State of Florida.
- **2. WORKER'S COMPENSATION:** Bidders shall obtain and maintain during the life of the contract Workers' Compensation Insurance in compliance with Chapter 440, Florida Statutes for all of his employees employed on the project. In case any work is sublet, bidder shall require subcontractors similarly to provide Workers' Compensation Insurance.
- **3. LIABILITY:** Where bidders are required to enter or go onto School Board property to deliver materials, perform work or provide services as a result of a bid award, the bidder assumes full duty, obligation and expense of obtaining all necessary licenses, permits and insurance, and shall be fully responsible for its own negligent or willful acts or omissions.
- 4. INSURANCE AND INDEMNIFICATION: This General Condition is NOT subject to negotiation and any bid that fails to accept these conditions will be rejected as "non-responsive", unless bidder is entitled to sovereign immunity by action of the Florida Legislature. Each party agrees to be fully responsible for its acts of negligence, or its agents' acts of negligence when acting within the scope of their employment and agrees to be liable for any damages resulting from said negligence to the extent allowable pursuant to Section 768.28, Florida Statutes. Nothing herein is intended to serve as a waiver of sovereign immunity by the School Board. Nothing herein shall be construed as consent by the School Board to be sued by third parties in any matter arising out of any contract. Bidder shall hold harmless and defend the School Board and its agents and employees from all suits and actions, including attorney's fees and all costs of litigation and judgments of any name and description arising out of or incidental to the performance of this contract or work performed there under. This provision shall also pertain to any claims brought against the School Board by an employee of the named Bidder, any Subcontractor, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them. The bidder's obligation under this provision shall not be limited in any way by the agreed upon contract price as shown in this Contract or the bidder's limit of, or lack of, sufficient insurance protection.

- **5. RISK OF LOSS:** The bidder assumes the following risks: **(1.)** all risks of loss or damage to all goods, work in process, materials and equipment until the delivery thereof as herein provided; **(2.)** all risks of loss or damage to third persons and their property until delivery of all goods as herein provided; **(3.)** all risks of loss or damage to any property received by the bidder or held by the bidder or its suppliers for the account of the School Board, until such property has been delivered to the School Board; **(4)** all risks of loss or damage to any of the goods or part thereof rejected by the School Board, from the time of shipment thereof to bidder until redelivery thereof to the School Board.
- **6. PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES:** Pursuant to Florida Statute 287.133 a Bidder, person, or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted Vendors list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a bid on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity, may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Florida State Statute, Section 287.017, for CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.
- 7. PATENTS AND COPYRIGHTS: Bidders agree to indemnify and save harmless the School Board, its officers, employees, agents, or representatives using the goods specified herein from any loss, damage or injury arising out of a claim or suit at law or equity for actual or alleged infringement of letters of patent by reason of the buying, selling or using the goods supplied under this bid, and will assume the defense of any and all suits and will pay all costs and expenses thereto.
- **8. AUDITS, RECORDS, AND RECORDS RETENTION:** The School Board or its representative reserves the right to inspect and/or audit all the Bidder's documents and records as they pertain to the products and services delivered under this agreement. Such rights will be exercised with notice to the bidder to determine compliance with and performance of the terms, conditions and specifications on all matters, rights and duties, and obligations established by this agreement. Documents/records in any form shall be open to the School Board's representative and may include but are not limited to all correspondence, ordering, payment, inspection and receiving records, and contracts or sub-contracts that directly or indirectly pertain to the transactions between the School Board and the Bidder.
- A. To establish and maintain books, records, and documents (including electronic storage media) in accordance with generally accepted accounting procedures and practices, which sufficiently and properly reflect all revenues and expenditures of funds provided by the School Board under this contract.
- B. To retain all contractor records, financial records, supporting documents, statistical records, and any other documents (including electronic storage media) pertinent to this contract for a period of five (5) years after termination of the contract, or if an audit has been initiated and audit findings have not been resolved at the end of five (5) years, the records shall be retained until resolution of the audit findings or any litigation which may be based on the terms of this contract.
- **C.** Upon completion or termination of the contract and at the request of the School Board, the Contractor will cooperate with the School Board to facilitate the duplication and transfer of any said records or documents during the required retention period as specified in paragraph 1 above.
- **D.** To assure that these records shall be subject at all reasonable times to inspection, review, or audit by Federal, state, or other personnel duly authorized by the School Board.
- **E.** Persons duly authorized by the School Board and Federal auditors, pursuant to Title 45, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 92.36 (I) (10), and Title 34, Section 80.36(i), shall have full access to and the right

- to examine any of provider's contract and related records and documents, regardless of the form in which kept, at all reasonable times for as long as records are retained.
- F. To include these aforementioned audit and record keeping requirements in all approved subcontracts and assignments.

### **III. GOODS AND SERVICES**

- **1. WARRANTY:** All goods and services furnished by the bidder, relating to and pursuant to this ITB will be warranted to meet or exceed the Specifications contained herein. In the event of breach, the bidder will take all necessary action, at bidder's expense, to correct such breach in the most expeditious manner possible.
- **2. PRICING:** All pricing submitted will include all packaging, handling, shipping charges and delivery to any point within Leon County, Florida to a secure area or inside delivery. **The School Board is exempt and does not pay Federal Excise and State of Florida sales taxes.**
- **3. PRICE ESCALATION:** In the event of unforeseen circumstances that directly impact the pricing and/or servicing of this contract, the School Board reserves the right to negotiate the established bid price with the contractor at any time during the duration of this contract after completion of the initial contract term. Price negotiations will be at the sole discretion of the School Board.

The School Board may consider pricing increases of the bid item(s) if the following conditions occur:

- **A.** There is a verifiable price increase of the bid item(s) to the contract supplier.
- **B.** The contractor submits to the School Board, in writing, notification of price increases.
- C. The price increase shall be comparable to documented manufacturers' or distributors' price changes or changes in industry related indices.
- **D.** The contractor shall submit the above information to the Director of Purchasing thirty (30) calendar days prior to the effective date of the price increase. Requests for price increases may only be made after the first term of the contract.

When the contractor complies with the abovementioned conditions, the Director of Purchasing will review the information to determine if it is in the best interest of the School Board to adjust the pricing on the products bid, in conjunction with the contractor's effective date of price increase. The School Board reserves the right to deny any requests for price increases. The contractor must receive written notification from the Director of Purchasing that the School Board is in acceptance of the new prices before processing any orders with the new costs.

- **4. QUANTITIES:** Quantities listed in the bid are estimates provided for bidder information purposes only. No guarantee is given or implied as to the exact quantities, which will be purchased from this bid. The School Board reserves the right to increase or decrease all estimated quantities during the term of this contract or to delete any item or items as it deems appropriate, without affecting the bid pricing or the terms and conditions of the bid.
- **5. MOST FAVORED CUSTOMER STATUS**: The awarded bidder shall afford the School Board the most favored customer status for all items herein. Accordingly, if during the term of this contract, the contractor offers more favorable promotional or contract pricing to another entity for the same specification with similar quantities and conditions, the price under this contract shall be immediately reduced to the lower price. Additionally, if a current state of Florida contract, or other viable piggyback contract contains more favorable pricing for the same specification with similar quantities and conditions, the contractor will be afforded an opportunity to adjust its contract price to match that of the state of Florida contract. Should the contractor decline, LCSB reserves the right to purchase the item(s) from the state of Florida or alternate piggyback contract.

- **6. TERMS OF PAYMENT / INVOICING:** The normal terms of payment will be Net 30 Days from receipt and acceptance of goods or services and contractor's invoice. Itemized invoices, each bearing the Purchase Order Number must be mailed on the day of shipment. Invoicing subject to cash discounts will be mailed on the day that they are dated.
- 7. PURCHASING CARDS: The School Board may choose to use a "Purchasing Card" for ordering of goods and materials or payment of invoices under this contract. The bidder, by submitting a proposal, agrees to accept this manner of payment and may not add additional handling charges or service fees to purchases made with the School Board's Purchasing Card(s). Refusal to accept this condition may cause the proposal to be declared non-responsive, or result in revocation of the contract, if already awarded. No third party payment, i.e. Pay pal will be considered.
- **8. TRANSPORTATION AND TITLE:** (1) Title to the goods will pass to the School Board upon receipt and acceptance at the destination indicated herein. Until acceptance, the Bidder retains the sole insurable interest in the goods. (2) The shipper will prepay all transportation charges. The School Board will not accept collect freight charges. (3) No premium carriers will be used for the School Board's account without prior written consent of the Director of Purchasing.

### **IV. BIDDER REQUIREMENTS**

- **1. E-VERIFY**: Every Contractor must register with and use the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system to verify the work authorization status of all employees hired during the term of this Agreement and must, upon request, provide evidence of compliance with this provision. Subcontractors shall provide Contractor with an affidavit stating the Subcontractor does not employ, contract with, or subcontract with an unauthorized alien. See Section 448.095, Florida Statutes, for all requirements.
- 2. REFERENCES: Each Bidder is required to submit a list of three (3) customer references using the format on the attached "Customer Reference Form" Exhibit D. The Bidder must be the prime contractor for each customer/contract referenced. All references shall be for work performed over the last year at commercial, multi-residential developments and/or institutional complexes for contracts of comparable size. Newly formed companies, corporations, joint ventures; etc. may use an incorporator as a referenced entity. At least one contract/customer shall have been serviced for a minimum of one year. Failure to provide verifiable references may result in the bidder not being considered for award. Unsatisfactory references may result in the bidder not being considered for award.
- **3. LEVEL 2 SCREENING REQUIREMENTS:** The following provisions, which implement the requirements of School Board Policy 8475, Florida Statute Sections 1012.315, 1012.32, 1012.465 (Jessica Lunsford Act), 1012.467 and 1012.468 are included as additional terms and conditions of the contract:

### Finger Printing and Background Check:

The bidder/contractor agrees to comply with all requirements of School Board Policy 8475 and Florida Statute Sections 1012.315, 1012.32, 1012.465 (Jessica Lunsford Act), 1012.467 and 1012.468 by certifying that any/all employees have completed the mandatory background screenings as required by the referenced policy and statutes and shall provide the School Board with proof of compliance. These certifications will be provided to the Leon County School Board, Safety & Security Department in advance of the Bidder/contractor providing any/all services as required herein. The Bidder/contractor will bear the cost of acquiring the background screening required and any/all fees imposed by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement and or the School Board to maintain the fingerprints provided with respect to Bidder/contractor and its employees. Contractor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the School Board, its officers, agents and employees from any liability in the form of physical injury, death, or property damage resulting from the

Contractor's failure to comply with the requirements of these cited policies and statutes. The Bidder/contractor will follow procedures for obtaining employees background screening as established by the Leon County School Board, Safety & Security Department.

Where: Leon County School Board –Safety & Security

Department

2757 W. Pensacola St. Tallahassee, Florida 32304

When: Monday-Friday

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Point of Contact: Donald Kimbler @ 850-487-7293

LCSB Policy 8475 is subject to review and change. As a provision of this contract, if awarded, any changes made to this policy will automatically become a part of and be incorporated in this contract. It is the responsibility of the awardee(s) to be aware of any changes that may occur.

- **4. RECIPROCITY OF FLORIDA SCHOOL I.D. BADGES:** If contractor has a Level II clearance registered with another Florida School Board, they may be able to obtain a Leon County School Board vendor I.D. badge. Contractor should check with the Safety & Security Department Fingerprint Services office to verify clearance and obtain a vendor I.D. badge.
- **5. IDENTIFICATION:** All personnel employed by the bidder, including any subcontractor and subcontractor's employees when applicable, shall display at all times an identification badge which shall include the employee's name, the employer's name and either a physical description or a photograph of the employee. Employees without proper identification shall not be permitted to work under the terms of this Agreement.
- **6. CONTACT WITH STUDENTS:** No employees or independent contractors, material men, suppliers or anyone involved in any manner with projects resulting from this proposal shall have direct or indirect contact with students at project sites. A violation of this provision shall result in immediate termination of the offender and issuance of a trespass notice from the School Board. Bidder/Proposer shall be responsible for insuring compliance by all employees, independent contractors and sub-contractors or other persons involved in any manner with projects resulting from this proposal.
- 7. WEAPONS AND FIREARMS: The School Board prohibits any contractor from possessing, storing, making, or using a weapon, including a concealed weapon, on School Board property and any setting that is under the control and supervision of the School Board as specified in School Board Policy 7217. Violations will be subject to the immediate termination of the contract.
- **8. SMOKING AND TOBACCO PRODUCTS:** Smoking and the use of tobacco products are prohibited on school property, including all buildings and grounds. A fine of \$500.00 may be assessed for the first offense and termination of the Agreement may be imposed for any second or additional offense.
- **9. ATTIRE:** Proper attire shall be worn at all times.
  - A. Shirts shall be worn awhile on school property at all times. (No tank tops or undershirts will be permitted).
  - **B.** Clothing displaying nudity, obscene language, obscene symbols or pro-drug slogans is prohibited.
  - **C.** Proper shoes to insure the individual's safety shall be worn at all times.
- **10. INSPECTIONS AND TESTING:** The School Board will have the right to inspect and test any of the goods or services covered by this ITB. All goods or services are subject to the School Board's inspection and approval upon arrival or completion. If rejected, goods will be held for disposal at the bidder's risk. Such inspection, or the waiver thereof,

however, will not relieve the bidder from full responsibility for furnishing goods or services conforming to the requirements of this Bid or the Bid Specifications, and will not prejudice any claim, right, or privilege the School Board may have because of the use of defective or unsatisfactory goods or service. All deficiencies noted by the School Board will be submitted to the contractor for correction within ten (10) calendar days after submission of deficiencies to the contractor. An additional inspection of the goods or service may be conducted to insure corrective action was taken.

- 11. STOP WORK ORDER: The School Board may at any time, by written notice to the Bidder stop all or any part of the work for this Bid award. Upon receiving such notice, the bidder will take all reasonable steps to minimize additional costs during the period of work stoppage. The School Board may subsequently either cancel the stop work order resulting in an equitable adjustment in the delivery schedule and/or the price, or terminate the work in accordance with the provisions of the Bid terms and conditions.
- A. Materials or work are not in conformance with applicable codes, standards, School Board specifications and/or accepted practices.
- B. The contractor's activities result in damage to School board property.
- **C.** The contractor's activities interfere with the normal operation of the facility.
- D. Contractor's personnel are not properly licensed to perform the work or as it pertains to school facilities, the contractor's personnel have not received their Level II background clearances.
- E. Any other condition, situation, or circumstance, which in the opinion of the School Board Authorized Representative would be a detriment to the best interests of the School Board if allowed to persist.
- **12. SAFETY:** The bidder shall be responsible for instructing their employees in all safety measures. All equipment used by the bidder shall be free from defects or wear that may in any way constitute a hazard to any person or persons on School Board property. At no time shall equipment be operated without guards, shields, or other manufactures recommended safety accessories in place and functioning as intended by the manufacturer. All current OSHA safety standards shall be reinforced including, but not limited to, the following rules:
- A. All OSHA and Federal required safety equipment shall be installed and functioning on all equipment.
- B. All equipment shall be in sound working condition and must meet all OSHA Safety Standards. All workers shall be aware of and trained in the operation of all safety equipment required for this project.
- **C.** The Bidder shall ensure that employees are equipped with proper safety items such as glasses, hard hats, gloves, etc.
- D. All incidents on campus involving School Board property or personnel shall be reported to the Director of Maintenance Services Department and the Campus Administrator immediately upon occurrence.
- E. All debris shall be removed to an environmentally approved landfill or recycling center.
- **13. EMERGENCIES:** In any emergency affecting the safety of persons and property, the awarded contractor shall act immediately to prevent threatened damage, injury or loss. Any emergency must be reported to an authorized School Board representative immediately and no later than twenty-four (24) hours from the time that the emergency is discovered by the contractor
- **14. DAMAGE TO SCHOOL BOARD OWNED PROPERTY**: Any damage to property, equipment, grounds, buildings, etc. that is caused by the awarded contractor will be reported to the School Board within twenty-four (24) hours of discovery. The awarded contractor will have ten (10)

working days after report to present its written response to the claimed damages. The awarded contractor, upon approval by an authorized School Board representative, may make repairs that are deemed within its capability. The School Board reserves the right to make immediate repairs to correct damages that are safety hazards or that pose a detrimental effect to the School Board's operations. Costs of any replacement or repairs made by the School Board for damages caused by the awarded contractor shall be deducted from any monies due to the contractor. This shall not prevent the School Board from seeking damages should replacement/repair costs exceed the amount of monies owed to the awarded contractor. When requested, Bidder shall cooperate with any ongoing School Board investigation involving personal injury, economic loss or damage to The School Board's facilities or personal property therein.

- **15. SUBCONTRACTING:** The awarded contractor(s) shall be the primary service provider(s) and shall perform all requested inspections and repairs. Subcontracting for these base services is not allowed.
  - **A.** The School Board, for work where the contractor(s) are requested to perform additional services, may allow subcontracting.
  - B. Any work or service to be performed by a subcontractor must have the prior approval of the School Board. The School Board reserves the right to reject any subcontractor. Rejection of any subcontractor shall not entitle the contractor to adjustment of bid prices. The contractor shall inform the School Board Authorized Representative prior to scheduling any subcontractor's visit to any School Board facility.
  - C. Failure by the contractor to have a subcontractor approved by the School Board will not relieve the contractor of the responsibility to meet, comply with, and fulfill all of the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
  - D. The contractor(s) shall be held fully responsible and liable for the supervision and performance of all work performed by subcontractors. The School Board shall not be responsible for resolution of disputes between the Bidder and any subcontractor.
  - E. The personnel of all subcontractors shall meet all of the requirements as stated herein to include, but not limited to LCSB Policy 2.021 and the Jessica Lunsford Act.

### **16. ON-CAMPUS DIRECTIVES**

- A. Upon arrival and departure onto any School Board school campus, the contractor's employees shall enter their company information into the School Log Book provided in the Administrative office of each campus.
- **B.** Contractor shall strictly limit its operations to the designated work areas and shall not permit any employees to enter any other portions of School Board property without School Board's expressed prior written consent.
- **C.** All employees shall enter and leave School Board facilities only through the ingress and egress points designated, from time to time, by The School Board.
- D. The contractor shall be responsible for the removal of all trash and debris occasioned by this contract. Failure to adhere to this requirement will result in the costs of the performance of this work by others being charged to the contractor.
- E. Any existing surface or subsurface improvements, including, but not limited to, pavements, curbs, sidewalks, pipes, utilities, footings, structures, trees and shrubbery, not indicated in the contract documents to be removed or altered, shall be protected by contractor from damage during the prosecution of any project. Any such improvements so damaged shall be restored by contractor to condition at least equal to that existing at the time of contractor's commencement of any project.

- F. Proper safety barricades, protective, and covering devices shall be used to divert traffic and protect personnel. Normal safety signs, necessary lighting and temporary fencing/barricades around work areas shall be installed and maintained in accordance with OSHA requirements while the work is in progress. Materials must be secured in accordance with OSHA regulations when not in use.
- 17. BIDDER ACCESSIBLITY: The successful bidder shall provide a liable and responsible representative to be accessible by a Leon County toll free local telephone call during regular business hours. Local off-hours answering service for emergencies shall be available for bidder notification twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days per week, all year, including holidays.
- **18. CONTACT PERSON:** The successful Bidder shall be notified of the name and phone number of the School Board contact person. Only the School Board contact person may authorize changes to the scope of work.

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### V. INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS AND SCOPE OF WORK:

- A. GENERAL: Work will be in accordance with these specifications, Sections VI: Scope of Work
- B. A Mandatory Pre-Bid walk-through will be held on June 11, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. EST at Deerlake Middle School, 9902 Deerlake West, Tallahassee, Florida 32312. All bidders or their representatives are to meet at the site in the front office and document attendance on the conference "sign-in" sheet. Attendees and District representatives will inspect the site and answer questions at that time.
- C. BIDDER RESPONSIBILITIES: It is the bidder's responsibility to become fully informed as to the nature and extent of the work required and its relation to any work in the area, including but not limited to quantity, size, weight, gauge and or type of materials required, as well as accessibility to the site and or possible interference from academics or other school activities. Each bidder is required to carefully examine the Invitation to Bid delivery schedule, bid prices and extensions, insurance requirements, licensing requirements, bid closing date and time and to completely familiarize itself with all of the terms and conditions that are contained within the Invitation to Bid. Failure to do so on the part of the bidder will in no way relieve it of any of the obligations and responsibilities, which are a part of the Invitation to Bid.

### VI. SCOPE OF WORK

- **A. GENERAL:** Vendor shall provide all personnel necessary to complete the work of this contract, which includes, but is not limited to removing the existing nets and posts & milling of existing courts & resurfacing. These services will be performed on the 120' x 301' tennis courts at Deerlake Middle School.
- B. SCHEDULE: Work for this contract must begin on or about July 6, 2021 and be completed no later than August 2, 2021.
- **C. EQUIPMENT:** Vendor will be responsible for providing all equipment, materials and other items required to repair and resurface the tennis court. Price to include all labor, supplies, materials, equipment.
- D. SPECIFICATIONS: See attached NOVA Geotechnical Engineering Report (Exhibit K) dated May 13, 2021
  - 1. Mill existing asphalt 1" and install new 1" lift of SP 9.5 asphalt.
  - 2. All cracks at the milled elevation are to be properly sealed and all loose debris removed
  - **3.** Contractor shall fill each crack with crack fill material. The contractor is to flow the crack fill material into any small cracks.

All questions pertaining to these general specifications should be submitted in writing to:

Nancy Scott, Purchasing Agent II
3397 W. Tharpe St., Tallahassee, Florida, 32304
850-488-1206 / scottn@leonschools.net



## Bid Proposal Form Bid No. 5650-2022 Deerlake Middle School Tennis Court Repair and Resurfacing

### **Vendor Acknowledgment and Approval**

ADDENDUM NO. \_\_\_\_\_ DATED

I certify that this bid is made without prior understanding, agreement or connection with any corporation, firm, or person submitting a bid for the same materials, supplies or equipment, and in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. The following information, including an authorized representative signature is required to be submitted with your bid in order to be considered for evaluation and award. The person signing below acknowledges and agrees with all proposed information as submitted and has the authorization of the said company to enter into a contractual agreement with the School Board of Leon County for the purposes as proposed and as described herein. Please print and sign below where required. Authorized Representative's Name/Title Authorized Representative's Signature Date Company's Name Telephone Number **FAX Number** Address City Zip Code State Area Representative Telephone Number **FAX Number** Bidder should submit one (1) original copy and one (1) electronic copy on USB drive TOTAL BID FOR REPAIR AND RESURFACING OF TENNIS COURT ADDENDA ACKNOWLEDGMENT: The undersigned also acknowledges the receipt of the following Addenda: ADDENDUM NO. \_\_\_\_\_ DATED ADDENDUM NO. DATED \_

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## EXHIBIT A CONFLICT OF INTEREST CERTIFICATE

Bidder **must** execute either Section I or Section II hereunder relative to Florida Statute 112.313(12). Failure to execute either section may result in rejection of this bid proposal.

### **SECTION I**

I hereby certify that no official or employee of the School Board requiring the goods or services described in these specifications has a material financial interest in this company.

Signature		Company Name		
Name of Official (Type or print)		Business Address		
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## **EXHIBIT B**APPLICATION FOR VENDOR STATUS

(IRS W-9 Facsimile & ACH Direct Payment)

2757 West Pensacola Street – Tallahassee, FL 32304-2998 FAX TO: (850) 487-7869 or EMAIL TO: <a href="MathisR@leonschools.net">MathisR@leonschools.net</a>

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Form W-9 (Rev. 12-2014)

Form 1090-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)

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### **EXHIBIT B**

### **APPLICATION FOR VENDOR STATUS**

(IRS W-9 Facsimile & ACH Direct Payment)

### **Leon County Schools Authorization for ACH Direct Payment**

Finance Department 2757 West Pensacola Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32304

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the undersigned, authorize Leon County Schools to deposit payments directly to the account indicated above and to correct any rrors which may occur from the transactions. I also authorize the financial institution named above to post these transactions to hat account. This authorization will remain in force until Leon County Schools receives written notice of cancellation from me. acknowledge that the origination of ACH transactions to my account must comply with the provisions of U.S. law.
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Complete this section to CANCEL your ACH electronic deposit authorization. the undersigned, hereby cancel the authorization for the Leon County Schools Finance to originate ACH electronic deposit entries not my checking/savings account. This cancellation is effective as soon as Leon County Schools Finance has reasonable time to act pon it.
ignature Date
lame (printed) Title
Mail the completed form to the address above or email to marschkak@leonschools.net
For LCS use only  Vendor Name  Date Received



### EXHIBIT C E-Verify Affidavit

**A.** As of January 1, 2021, pursuant to Section 448.095, Florida Statutes, Contractor shall register with and use the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system to verify the work authorization status of all employees hired during the term of this Agreement and must, upon request, provide evidence of compliance with this provision.

### **B.** Subcontractors:

- 1. As of January 1, 2021, Contractor shall also require all subcontractors performing work under this Agreement to use the E-Verify system for any employees they may hire during the term of this Agreement.
- 2. Subcontractors shall provide Contractor with an affidavit stating the subcontractor does not employ, contract with, or subcontract with an unauthorized alien, as stated in Section 448.095, Florida Statutes.
- 3. Contractor shall provide a copy of such affidavit to the School Board upon receipt and shall maintain a copy for the duration of the Agreement.
- **C.** Failure to comply with this provision is a material breach of the Agreement, and School Board may choose to terminate the Agreement at its sole discretion. Contractor may be liable for all costs associated with School Board securing the same services, inclusive, but not limited to, higher costs for the same services.
- D. It is the responsibility of the vendor/contractor to insure compliance with E-verify requirements (as applicable). To enroll in E-Verify, employers should visit the E-Verify website (http://www.uscis.gov/e-verify) and follow the instructions. The employer must retain the I-9 Forms for inspection. By affixing your signature below you hereby affirm that you will comply with E-Verify requirements.

Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN):		
Name:	Address:	
Signature of Affiant	Printed Name	Date
State of:	County of:	
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me	e, by means of $\square$ physical presence or $\square$ online	e notarization, this
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## EXHIBIT D CUSTOMER REFERENCE FORM Bid No. 5650-2022 Deerlake Middle School Tennis Court Repair and Resurfacing

Please provide all requested information for each reference.

Company Name:	
Business Type:	
Contact Person:	
Telephone:	
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## EXHIBIT E VENDOR QUESTIONNAIRE Bid No. 5650-2022 Deerlake Middle School Tennis Court Repair and Resurfacing

Please provide written responses to the following questions. If the answer to any of the questions is 'Yes', Vendor shall describe fully the circumstances, reasons therefore, the current status, and ultimate disposition of each matter that is the subject of this inquiry.

1.	Has Vendor been declared in default of any contract?  Yes No
2.	Has Vendor forfeited any payment of performance bond issued by a surety company on any contract? $\square$ Yes $\square$ No
3.	Has an uncompleted contract been assigned by Vendor's surety company on any payment of performance bond issued to Vendor arising from its failure to fully discharge all contractual obligations there under?  Yes  No
4.	Within the past three years, has Vendor filed for reorganization, protection from creditors, or dissolution under the bankruptcy statutes?  Yes  No
5.	Is Vendor now the subject of any litigation in which an adverse decision might result in a material change in the firm's financial position or future viability?  Yes  No
6.	Is Vendor currently involved in any state of a fact-finding, negotiations, or resistance to a merger, friendly acquisition, or hostile take-over, either as a target or as a pursuer?  Yes  No
7.	Within the next year, does Vendor plan any personnel reductions? If so, explain by attachment. $\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
8.	Within the next year, does Vendor plan any divestments? If so, explain by attachment.  Yes  No



## EXHIBIT F DRUG FREE WORKPLACE

Preference shall be given to vendors submitting a certification with their bid/proposal certifying they have a drug-free workplace in accordance with Section 287.087, Florida Statutes. Whenever two or more bids that are equal with respect to price, quality, and service are received by the State or by any political subdivision for the procurement of commodities or contractual services, a bid received from a business that certifies that it has implemented a drug-free workplace program shall be given preference in the award process. Established procedures for processing tie bids will be followed if none of the tied vendors have a drug-free workplace program. In order to have a drug-free workplace program, a business shall:

**IDENTICAL TIE BIDS** – Preference shall be given to businesses with drug-free workplace programs. Whenever two or more bids, which are equal with respect to price, quality, and service, are received by the State or any political subdivision for the procurement of commodities or contractual services, a bid received from a business that certifies that it has implemented a drug-free workplace program shall be given preference in the award process. Established procedure for processing tie bids shall be followed if none of the tied vendors have a drug-free workplace program.

### A business shall:

- 1) Publish a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition.
- 2) Inform employees about the dangers of drug abuse in the workplace, the business's policy of maintaining a drugfree workplace, any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs, and the penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations.
- 3) Give each employee engaged in providing the commodities or contractual services that are under bid a copy of the statement specified in subsection (1).
- 4) In the statement specified in subsection (1), notify the employees that, as a condition of working on the commodities or contractual services that are under bid, the employee s will abide by the terms of the statement and will notify the employer of any conviction of, or plea of guilty or nolo contendere to, any violation of Chapter 893 or of any controlled substance law of the United States or any state, for a violation occur ring in the workplace no later than five (5) days after such conviction.
- 5) Impose a sanction on, or require the satisfactory participation in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program if such is available in the employee's community, by any employee who is so convicted.
- 6) Make a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of this section.

VENDOR'S SIGNATURE:		

As the person authorized to sign the statement, I certify that this firm complies fully with the above requirements.



### **EXHIBIT G**

## CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION - LOWER TIER COVERED TRANSACTIONS

### (BEFORE COMPLETING CERTIFICATION, READ INSTRUCTIONS ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE)

- 1. The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.
- **2.** Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

Organization Name	PR/Award Number or Project Name	
Name(s) of Authorized Representative(s)	Title(s) of Authorized Representative(s)	
Signature(s)	Date	

Form AD-1048 (1/92)

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR CERTIFICATION OF DEBARMENT

- 1. By signing and submitting this form, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out on the reverse side in accordance with these instructions.
- 2. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.
- **3.** The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to whom this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- **4.** The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "lower tier covered transaction," "participant," "person," "primary covered transaction," "principal," "proposal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
- 5. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this form that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.
- **6.** The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this form that it will include this clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion -Lower Tier Covered Transactions," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
- 7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the Nonprocurement List.
- **8.** Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
- **9.** Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

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### **EXHIBIT H**

### **SWORN STATEMENT – NEW CONTRACTS**

### SWORN STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 1012.465, FLORIDA STATUTES AS AMENDED BY HB 1877, THE JESSICA LUNSFORD ACT

THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED AND SWORN TO IN THE PRESENCE OF A NOTARY PUBLIC OR OTHER OFFICIAL AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS.

1.	This sworn statement is submitted to The School Board of Leon County, Florida (hereinafter "Board" or		
	"School Board") by		
	(Print individual's nar	me and title)	
	for		
	(Print name of entity so	ubmitting sworn statement)	
	whose business address is		
	and its Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) is		
		If the entity has no FEIN, include the Social Security Number (SSN) of the individual signing this sworn statement and so indicate.	
2.	l,	am duly authorized to make this sworn statement	
	(Print individual's name and title)	·	
	on behalf of:		
	(Print name of ent	ity submitting sworn statement)	
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3.		use Bill 1877, The Jessica Lunsford Act (hereinafter "The Act" May 2, 2005, with an effective date of September 1, 2005.	
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		ntractual personnel" by requiring all non-instructional school nitted access on school grounds when students are present to	
		ther I understand the Act defines "contractual personnel" to	
	include any vendor, individual, or entity under contract w		
5.	I understand that pursuant to section 1012.465, Florida Sta	atutes as amended by the Act, non-instructional school district	
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		trol of school funds must meet level 2 screening requirements	
	as described in sections 1012.32 and 435.04, Florida Statu	<u>tes</u> .	
6.	I understand that as a	(e.g. a charter bus company)	
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	outlined in sections 1012.32 and 435.04, Florida Statutes		
7.	I understand that "level 2 screening requirements" as de	fined in sections 1012.32 and 435.04, Florida Statutes means	
		obtained and submitted to the Florida Department of Law	
	Enforcement for state processing and to the Federal Bure	au of Investigation for federal processing.	

I understand that the School Board has implemented Board Policy 2.021 to comply with level 2 screening requirements, as defined in sections 1012.32 and 435.04, Florida Statutes. I understand that my company must comply with these local

procedures as they are developed or amended from time to time.

8.

- 10. I understand that any personnel of the contractor found through fingerprint processing and subsequent level 2 background screening to have been found guilty of, regardless of adjudication, or entered a plea of nolo contendere or guilty to any offense outlined in Section 435.04, Florida Statutes (or any similar statute of another jurisdiction), shall not be permitted to come onto school grounds or any leased premises where school-sponsored activities are taking place when students are present, shall not be permitted direct contact with students, and shall not be permitted to have access to school district funds.
- 11. I understand that the failure of any of the company's or my affected personnel to meet level 2 screening standards as required by section 1012.465, Florida Statutes, may disqualify my company from doing business with the School Board.
- 12. I hereby certify that the foregoing statement is true and correct in relation to the company for which I am submitting this sworn statement. I further certify that this statement is being given knowingly and voluntarily by me on behalf of my company.

The company submitting this sworn statement agrees to be bound by the provisions of SECTIONS 1012.32, 1012.465, AND 435.04 OF THE FLORIDA STATUTES AS AMENDED BY HB 1877, THE JESSICA LUNSFORD ACT 2005.

I CERTIFY THAT THE SUBMISSION OF THIS FORM TO THE SCHOOL BOARD OF LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA ON BEHALF OF THE COMPANY IDENTIFIED IN PARAGRAPH ONE (1) ABOVE BINDS THE COMPANY TO FULLY COMPLY WITH THE BACKGROUND SCREENING REQUIREMENTS OF SECTIONS 1012.32, AND 435.04, FLORIDA STATUTES.

	(Signature)				
State of:	County of:				
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me, by means of $\square$ physical presence or $\square$ online notarization, this					
day of	20 by				
who is personally known to me $\square$ or has produced identification $\square$ . Type of identification produced:					
Notary Signature	Commission Expires				
	SEAL				
Notary Printed Name	<del></del>				



## EXHIBIT I AFFIDAVIT FOR CLAIMING LOCAL PURCHASING PREFERENCE

### Bid No. 5650-2022 Deerlake Middle School Tennis Court Repair and Resurfacing

Proposer/Bidder/Quoter/Supplier affirms that it is a local or adjacent county business as defined by Policy #6450 of Leon County Schools and the regulations thereto.

A Leon/adjacent county vendor is a private independent vendor that has been licensed for at least six (6) months preceding the bid or proposal opening, as required by local, State, and Federal law to provide the goods, services, or construction to be purchased. The vendor must have a physical business address, staffed by at least one (1) person, in the geographical boundaries of Leon County or in the adjacent counties of Gadsden, Jefferson, or Wakulla, Florida. The vendor, on a day-to-day basis, should provide to the School Board the needed goods and/or services substantially from the local business address. Post Office boxes are not verifiable and shall not be used for the purpose of establishing said physical address.

Please complete the following in support of the self-certification:

Business Name:			
Address:			
Phone	Fax		Email
County:	Length of time at this location:	# of en	nployees at this location
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s your business certified as a s	inian business through Leon County Schools:		
	Signature of Authorized Representative		Date
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## EXHIBIT J INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE

In consideration of this Contract, if awarded, the Vendor agrees without reservation to the indemnification and insurance clauses contained herein. These clauses are attached to and form a part of **Bid No. 5650-2022 Deerlake Middle School Tennis Court Repair and Resurfacing.** 

Each party agrees to be fully responsible for its acts of negligence or its agents' acts of negligence when acting within the scope of their employment and agrees to be liable for any damages resulting from said negligence to the extent allowable pursuant to **Section 768.28, Florida Statutes**. Nothing herein is intended to serve as a waiver of sovereign immunity by the School Board. Nothing herein shall be construed as consent by the School Board to be sued by third parties in any matter arising out of any contract. Bidder shall hold harmless and defend the School Board and its agents and employees from all suits and actions, including attorney's fees and all costs of litigation and judgments of any name and description arising out of or incidental to the performance of this contract or work performed there under. This provision shall also pertain to any claims brought against the School Board by an employee of the named Bidder, any Subcontractor, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them. The bidder's obligation under this provision shall not be limited in any way by the agreed upon contract price as shown in this Contract or the bidder's limit of, or lack of, sufficient insurance protection.

#### **INSURANCE**

Prior to being recommended for award, the Vendor has five business days after notification to submit proof of insurance as required herein. Failure to submit a fully completed certificate of insurance signed by an authorized representative of the insurer providing such insurance coverage's may cause the Vendor to be considered non-responsive and not eligible for award of the Contract. The insurance coverage's and limits shall meet, at a minimum, the following requirements:

- 1. Commercial General Liability Insurance in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage.
- 2. Automobile Liability Insurance covering all owned, non-owned and hired vehicles used in connection with the operation of the Vendor, in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage.
- 3. Workers' Compensation Insurance for all employees of the Vendor as required by Florida Statutes.
- 4. The School Board of Leon County, Florida" must be listed as additional insured on all liability coverage's except Workers' Compensation.

The insurance coverage required shall include those classifications, as listed in standard liability insurance manuals, which most nearly reflect the operations of the Vendor. All insurance policies shall be issued by companies with either of the following qualifications:

- **1.** The company must be:
  - a. authorized by subsisting certificates of authority by the Department of Insurance of the State of Florida or
  - b. an eligible surplus lines insurer under Florida Statutes. In addition, the insurer must have a Best's Rating of "A" or better and a Financial Size Category of "IV" or better according to the latest edition of Best's Key Rating Guide, published by A.M. Best Company. Or,
- **2.** With respect only to the Workers' Compensation insurance, the company must be:
  - a. authorized as a group self-insurer pursuant to Florida Statutes or
  - **b.** authorized as a commercial self-insurance fund pursuant to Florida Statutes

Neither approval nor failure to disapprove the insurance furnished by the Vendor to the School Board shall relieve the Vendor of the Vendor's full responsibility to provide insurance as required by this Contract.

The Vendor shall be responsible for assuring that the insurance remains in force for the duration of the contractual period; including any and all option years that may be granted to the Vendor. The certificate of insurance shall contain the provision that the School Board be given no less than thirty (30) days written notice of cancellation. If the insurance is scheduled to expire during the contractual period, the Vendor shall be responsible for submitting new or renewed certificates of insurance to the School Board at a minimum of thirty (30) calendar days in advance of such expiration. Unless otherwise notified, the certificate of insurance *must be delivered to* the following address: Leon County School Board Purchasing Department / Attn: June Kail, Director of Purchasing /3397 W. Tharpe St. / Tallahassee, Florida 32303

The name and address of the Leon County School Board, as shown directly below, must be listed as Certificate Holder on the Certificate of Insurance as well as clearly noted as "Additional Insured".

Leon County School Board 2757 W. Pensacola St. Tallahassee, FL 32304

The Vendor may be in default of this Contract for failure to maintain the insurance as required by this Contract.

Any questions and/or inquiries should be directed to Tod Stupski at (850) 561-8359.

### **EXHIBIT K**



April 19, 2021 Revised May 13, 2021

Ms. Allison Garber
LEON COUNTY SCHOOLS
3420 West Tharpe Street, Suite 100
Tallahassee, Florida 32303

**Subject:** Geotechnical Engineering Report

DEER LAKE MIDDLE SCHOOL - TENNIS/BASKETBALL COURT REPAIR

Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida

NOVA Project Number 10117-1021009

Dear Ms. Garber:

NOVA Engineering and Environmental LLC (NOVA) has completed the authorized Geotechnical Engineering Report for the planned repairs to the tennis and basketball courts at Deer Lake Middle School in Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida. The primary objectives of this study were to provide a geotechnical exploration of the near surface soils within the combined footprint of the courts, and to determine if a mill-and-overlay operation would be suitable to restore the asphalt surface course to a like-new condition or if a full-depth replacement of the asphalt and underlying base courses would be required.

The authorized geotechnical engineering services included performing eight (8) asphalt cores with underlying 5-foot deep auger borings. The borings were backfilled upon completion with the soil cuttings from the drilling process and were capped with a cold-patch asphalt product.

### SUBSURFACE CONDITIONS

Beneath roughly  $1\frac{3}{4}$  to  $2\frac{3}{4}$  inches of asphalt and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  to 4 inches of underlying crushed limerock base material, the auger borings generally encountered mixed strata of fine-grained silty to clayey fine-grained sands (USCS classifications of SM, SM-SC and SC) to the maximum depth explored of approximately 5 feet below existing grade. The Test Boring Records are provided in the attached Appendix.

Groundwater was not encountered in the 5-foot deep test borings at the time of our field exploration, which occurred during a period of relatively normal seasonal rainfall and shortly following the passing of several significant rain events.

### **GENERAL COMMENTS/OBSERVATIONS**

Based on the results of our field exploration, it is our professional opinion that the base course and subgrade soils underlying the tennis and basketball courts should not need to be removed and replaced as part of the upcoming repair program. For pavement repair projects, the primary concern with respect to the condition of the base course and underlying subgrade materials is whether these materials could have become saturated in localized areas surrounding zones where the observed cracking extended full depth through the asphalt course, which would subsequently require a full removal and replacement of the entire pavement section. The base course material and underlying subgrade soils encountered in each of the eight (8) boring locations did not appear to be above that material's optimum moisture content and were found to be relatively firm as the borings were extended with a hand auger.

Therefore, NOVA concurs that the desired milling-and-overlaying operation should be an acceptable remedial measure for the planned repair project, as the asphalt thicknesses measured at the core locations were all of sufficient thickness ( $1\frac{3}{4}$  to  $2\frac{3}{4}$  inches) to make milling-and-overlaying feasible. It has been our experience working on past similar projects that the typical milling depth for a mill-and-overlay operation is usually at least 1 inch, and a minimum of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches of asphalt thickness must be present in the areas to be milled or the milling machine will tear out the entire section down to the base course.

With respect to a typical replacement thickness, for projects of this nature (i.e., recreational sports courts instead of roads or parking lots) the finished asphalt thickness should be a minimum of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches. Based on the core thicknesses noted above and provided on the Test Boring Records in the attached appendix, milling the minimum of 1 inches of asphalt and then installing a 1-inch lift of new asphalt will produce a finished pavement section most likely exceeding  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches which would be acceptable from a structural number analysis standpoint.

Additionally, for a recreational sports court we recommend that consideration be given to specifying that the new lift of asphalt be SP-9.5, which could be installed in a 1-inch lift given the relatively small aggregate sizes that are in it. If an SP-12.5 mix is specified for this project, the larger aggregate sizes will provide more longevity and durability compared to SP-9.5 but will not produce as smooth of a finish, and the lift thickness would need to be increased to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches to achieve an appropriate level of aggregate cover.

We note as well that the bidding documents should also specify that all cracks present at the milled depth (please see the Photo Essay included in the Appendix for documentation of the existing cracks observed throughout the combined footprint of the tennis and basketball courts) should be properly sealed prior to installing the overlay. If the exposed cracks at the milled elevation are not properly sealed prior to installing the desired overlay (either SP-9.5 or SP-12.5), reflective cracking up through the new asphalt section along the existing crack alignments will most likely develop in a very short period of time.



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We appreciate your selection of **NOVA** and the opportunity to be of service on this project. If you have any questions, or if we may be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

NOVA ENGINEERING AND ENVIRONMENTAL, LLC

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Staff Engineer

Florida Registration No. 1100024523

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# APPENDIX A Figures and Maps



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**PROJECT LOCATION MAP** 

**Deer Lake Middle School** 

Leon County, Florida

NOVA Project Number 10117-2021006



### MAP LEGEND

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Water Features

Transportation

**Background** 

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Spoil Area

Stony Spot

Wet Spot

Other

Rails

**US Routes** 

Major Roads

Local Roads

Very Stony Spot

Special Line Features

Streams and Canals

Interstate Highways

Aerial Photography

#### Area of Interest (AOI)

Area of Interest (AOI)

#### Soils

Soil Map Unit Polygons



Soil Map Unit Points

#### Special Point Features

(o) Blowout

Borrow Pit

Clay Spot

Closed Depression

Gravel Pit

... Gravelly Spot

Landfill

Lava Flow

Marsh or swamp

Mine or Quarry

Miscellaneous Water

Perennial Water

Saline Spot

Sandy Spot

Severely Eroded Spot

Sinkhole

Slide or Slip

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### MAP INFORMATION

The soil surveys that comprise your AOI were mapped at 1:20.000.

Warning: Soil Map may not be valid at this scale.

Enlargement of maps beyond the scale of mapping can cause misunderstanding of the detail of mapping and accuracy of soil line placement. The maps do not show the small areas of contrasting soils that could have been shown at a more detailed scale

Please rely on the bar scale on each map sheet for map measurements.

Source of Map: Natural Resources Conservation Service Web Soil Survey URL:

Coordinate System: Web Mercator (EPSG:3857)

Maps from the Web Soil Survey are based on the Web Mercator projection, which preserves direction and shape but distorts distance and area. A projection that preserves area, such as the Albers equal-area conic projection, should be used if more accurate calculations of distance or area are required.

This product is generated from the USDA-NRCS certified data as of the version date(s) listed below.

Soil Survey Area: Leon County, Florida Survey Area Data: Version 18, Jun 11, 2020

Soil map units are labeled (as space allows) for map scales 1:50.000 or larger.

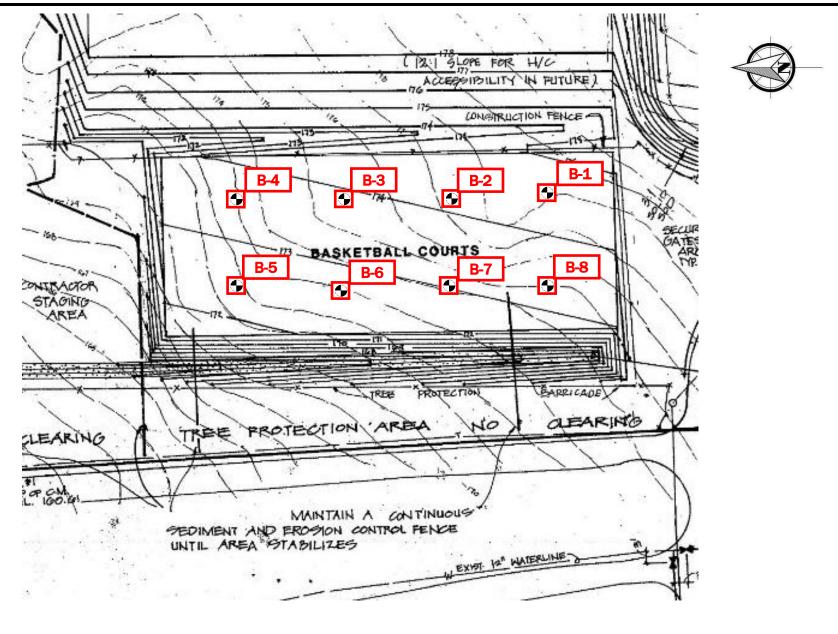
Date(s) aerial images were photographed: Nov 1, 2011—Mar 10, 2017

The orthophoto or other base map on which the soil lines were compiled and digitized probably differs from the background imagery displayed on these maps. As a result, some minor shifting of map unit boundaries may be evident.

### **Map Unit Legend**

Map Unit Symbol	Map Unit Name	Acres in AOI	Percent of AOI	
33	Orangeburg fine sandy loam, 2 to 5 percent slopes	4.2	100.0%	
Totals for Area of Interest		4.2	100.0%	

## APPENDIX B Subsurface Data



**LEGEND** 

B-x = 5-ft. Hand Auger Boring

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4770 Woodlane Circle, Suite A Tallahassee, Florida 32303 850.421.6682 ♦ 850.249.6683 BORING LOCATION PLAN
Deer Lake Middle School
Leon County, Florida
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# **KEY TO BORING LOGS**

### SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS SYMBOL DESCRIPTION No. of Blows of a 140-lb. Weight Falling 30 N-Value Inches Required to Drive a Standard Spoon WOR Weight of Drill Rods WOH Weight of Drill Rods and Hammer Sample from Auger Cuttings Standard Penetration Test Sample Thin-wall Shelby Tube Sample (Undisturbed Sampler Used) % REC Percent Core Recovery from Rock Core Drilling RQD Rock Quality Designation Stabilized Groundwater Level Seasonal High Groundwater Level (also referred to as the W.S.W.T.) NE Not Encountered **GNE** Groundwater Not Encountered BT **Boring Terminated** -200 (%) Fines Content or % Passing No. 200 Sieve MC (%) Moisture Content

#### UNIFIED SOIL CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM

MAJOR DIVISIONS			TYPICAL NAMES
GPAVELS	CLEAN	GW	Well-graded gravels and gravel- sand mixtures, little or no fines
50% or more of	GRAVELS	GP	Poorly graded gravels and gravel-sand mixtures, little or no fines
fraction retained on	GRAVELS	GM	Silty gravels and gravel-sand- silt mixtures
No. 4 sieve	WITH FINES	GC	Clayey gravels and gravel- sand-clay mixtures
SANDS	CLEAN SANDS	SW**	Well-graded sands and gravelly sands, little or no fines
More than 50% of	passing No. 200 sieve	SP**	Poorly graded sands and gravelly sands, little or no fines
fraction passes No.	SANDS with 12% or more	SM**	Silty sands, sand-silt mixtures
4 sieve	passing No. 200 sieve	SC**	Clayey sands, sand-clay mixtures
		ML	Inorganic silts, very fine sands, rock flour, silty or clayey fine sands
SILTS AND CLAYS Liquid limit 50% or less		CL	Inorganic clays of low to medium plasticity, gravelly clays, sandy clays, lean clays
		OL	Organic silts and organic silty clays of low plasticity
		МН	Inorganic silts, micaceous or diamicaceous fine sands or silts, elastic silts
SILTS AND CLAYS Liquid limit		СН	Inorganic clays or clays of high plasticity, fat clays
greater	than 50%	ОН	Organic clays of medium to high plasticity
		PT	Peat, muck and other highly organic soils
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\*Based on the material passing the 3-inch (75 mm) sieve

\*\* Use dual symbol (such as SP-SM and SP-SC) for soils with more
than 5% but less than 12% passing the No. 200 sieve

#### **RELATIVE DENSITY**

Coefficient of Permeability

Ground Surface Elevation

Organic Content

Liquid Limit (Atterberg Limits Test)

Plasticity Index (Atterberg Limits Test)

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G.S. Elevation

(Sands and Gravels)
Very loose – Less than 4 Blow/Foot
Loose – 4 to 10 Blows/Foot
Medium Dense – 11 to 30 Blows/Foot
Dense – 31 to 50 Blows/Foot
Very Dense – More than 50 Blows/Foot

#### CONSISTENCY

(Silts and Clays)

Very Soft – Less than 2 Blows/Foot
Soft – 2 to 4 Blows/Foot

Medium Stiff – 5 to 8 Blows/Foot
Stiff – 9 to 15 Blows/Foot
Very Stiff – 16 to 30 Blows/Foot
Hard – More than 30 Blows/Foot

#### **RELATIVE HARDNESS**

(Limestone)
Soft – 100 Blows for more than 2 Inches
Hard – 100 Blows for less than 2 Inches

### **MODIFIERS**

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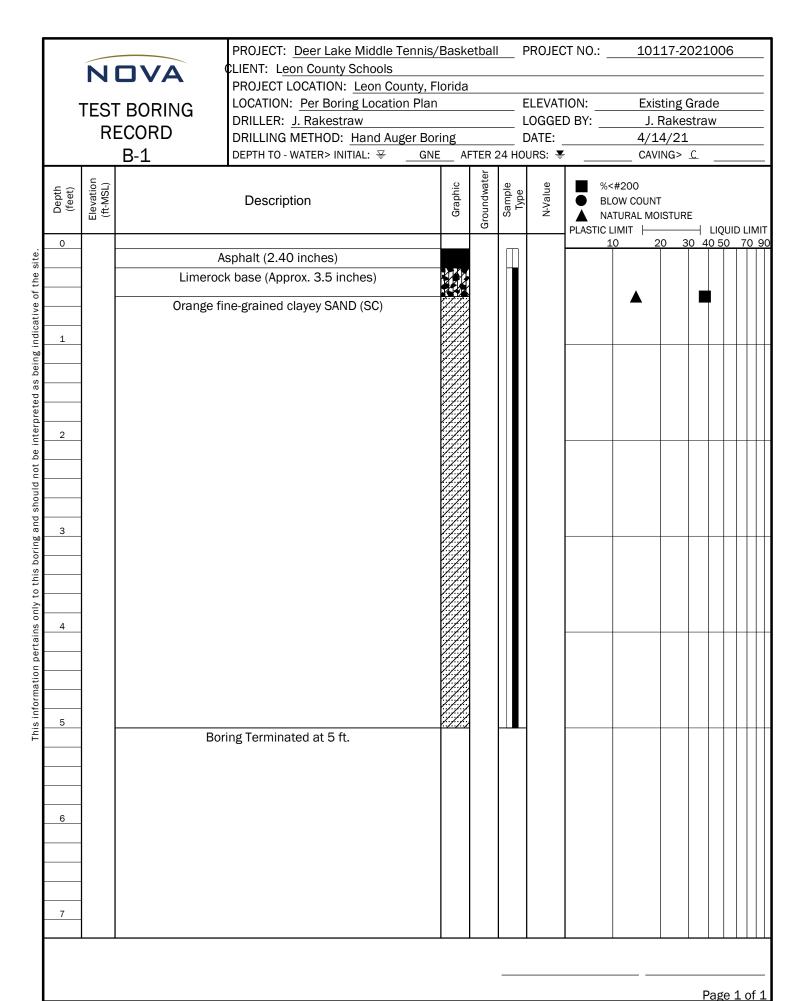
Trace – 5% or less
With Silt or With Clay – 6% to 11%
Silty or Clayey – 12% to 30%
Very Silty or Very Clayey – 31% to 50%

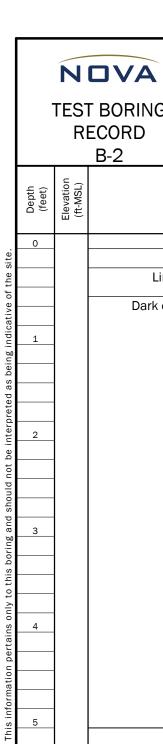
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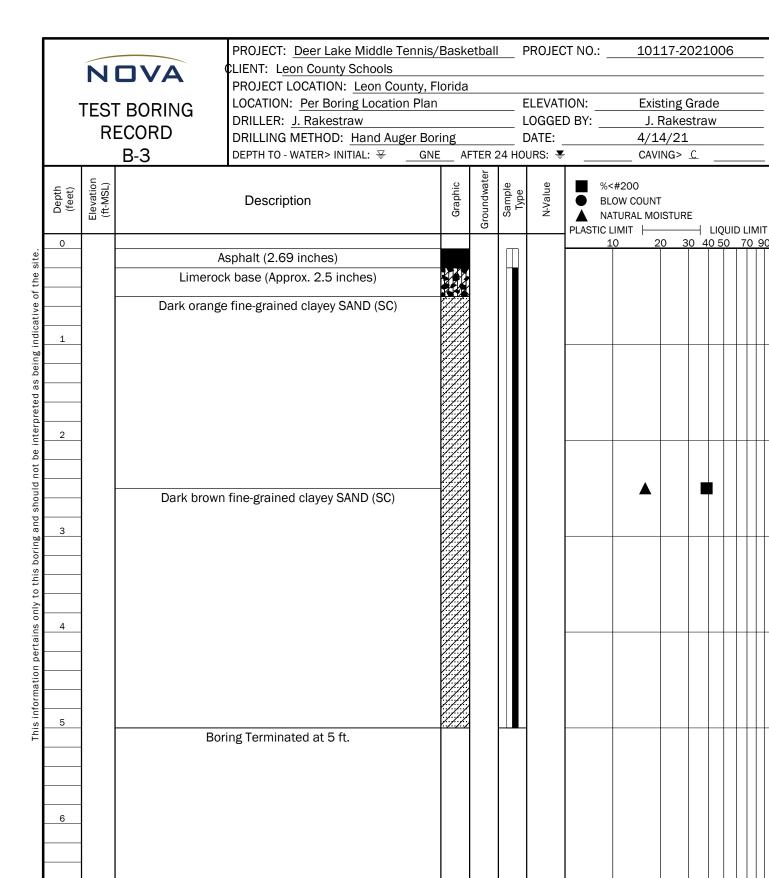
These Modifiers Provide Our Estimate of the Amount of Other Components (Shell, Gravel, Etc.) in the Soil Sample

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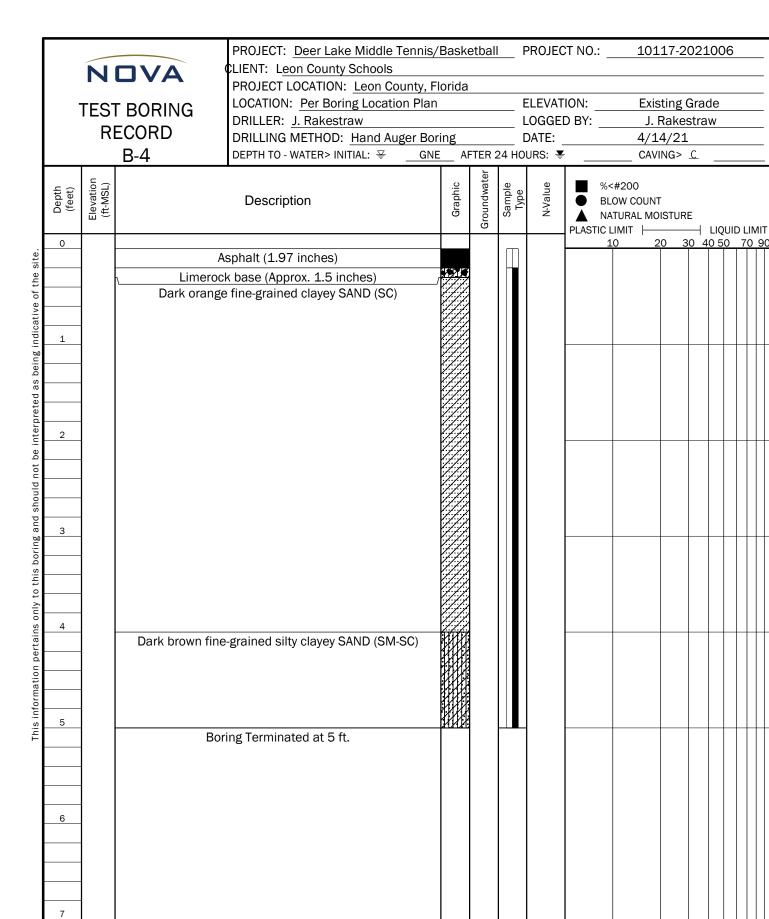


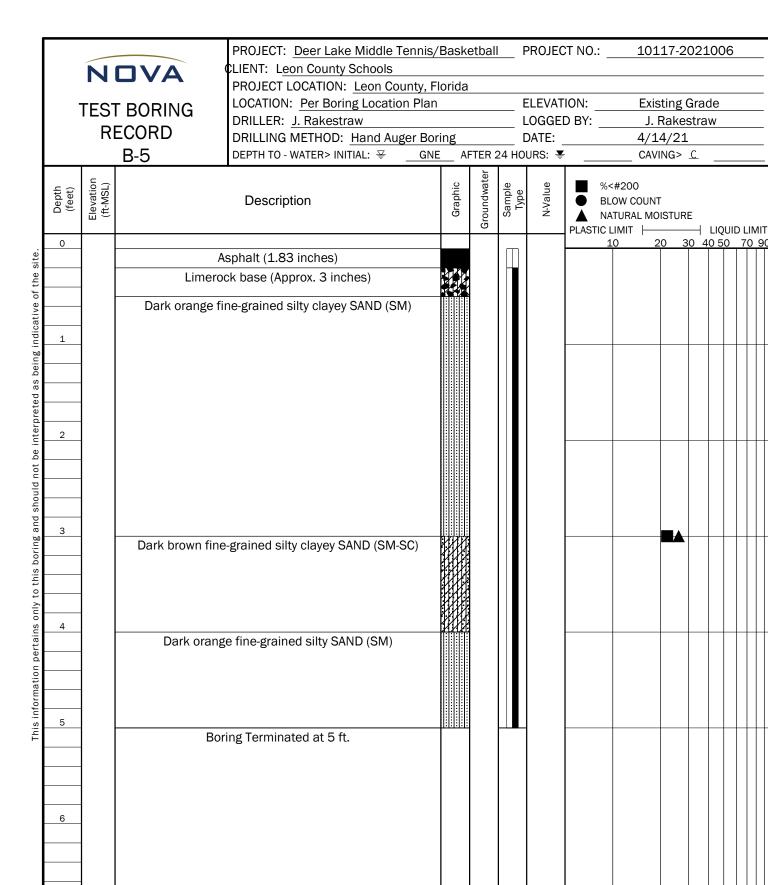


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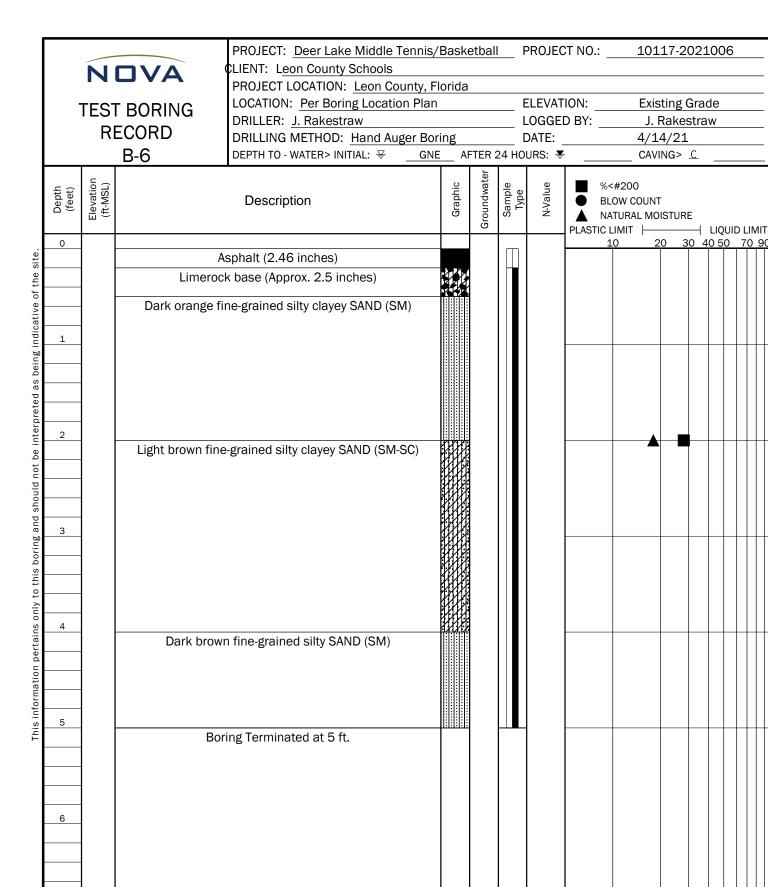


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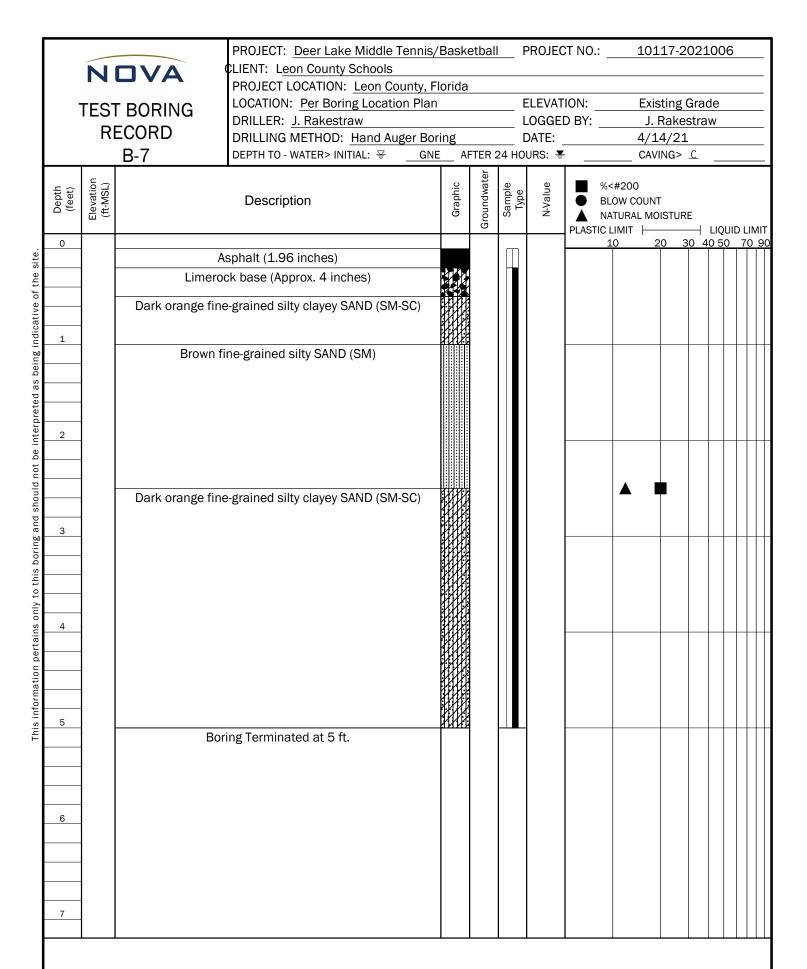


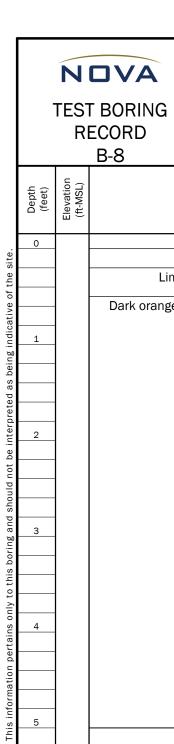


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# APPENDIX C Laboratory Data

# **SUMMARY OF CLASSIFICATION & INDEX TESTING**

## Deer Lake Middle School

Leon County, Florida
NOVA Project No. 10117-2021006

Boring No.	Sample Depth (ft. BEG)	Natural Moisture (%)	Percent Fines (- #200)	USCS Soil Classification
B-1	0.5-5	14	38	SC
B-3	2.5-5	16	39	SC
B-5	3-4	26	22	SM-SC
B-6	2-4	18	28	SM-SC
B-7	2.5-5	12	20	SM



# APPENDIX D Photo Essay



Image No. 1: Image taken at location of boring B-1, looking west. Image depicts large size block cracking with isolated alligator cracking. The condition of the pavement in the southwest quadrant of the courts is fair.



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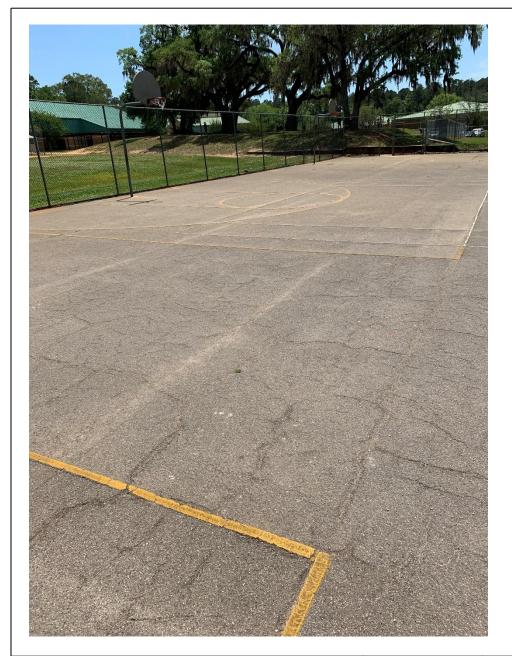


Image No. 2: Image taken at location of boring B-2, looking southeast. Image depicts small to intermediate size block cracking with isolated alligator cracking due to age. The condition of the pavement in this area of the courts is fair.



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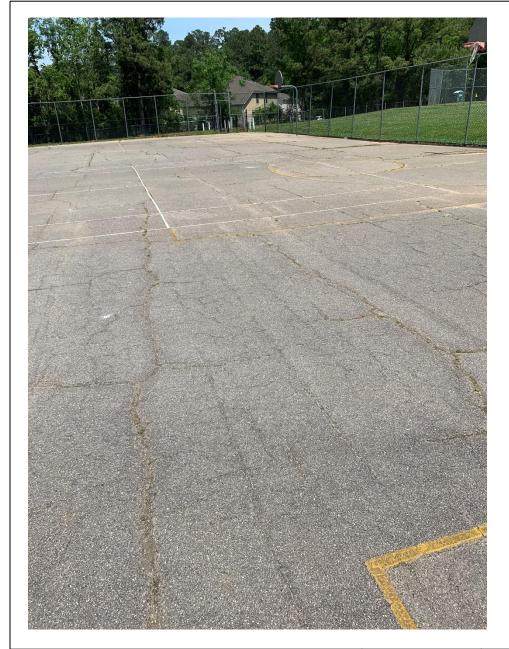


Image No. 3: Image taken at location of boring B-3, looking north. Image depicts small to intermediate size block cracking with isolated alligator cracking due to age. There are no visible settlement issues in this area. The condition of the pavement in this area of the courts is fair.



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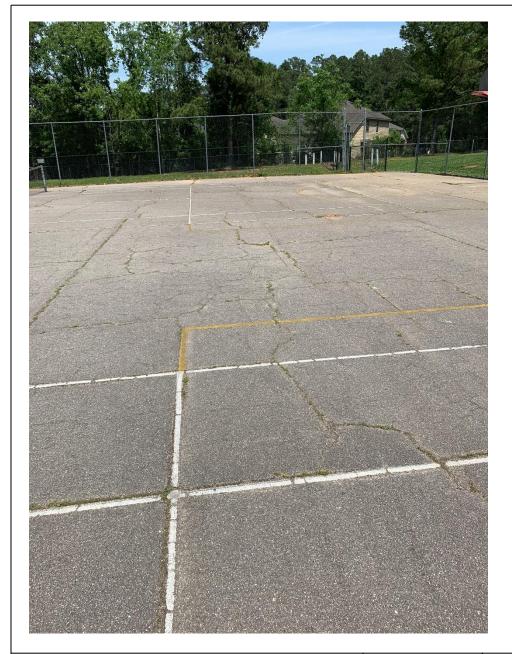


Image No. 4: Image taken at location of boring B-4, looking north. Image depicts intermediate to large size block cracking with isolated alligator cracking due to age. There are very slight visible signs of settlement in the area of alligator cracking in this location. The condition of the pavement in this area of the courts is fair.



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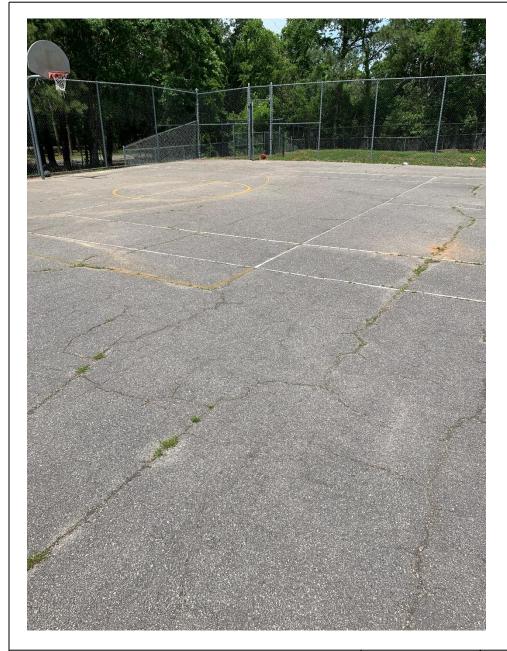


Image No. 5: Image taken at location of boring B-5, looking northwest. Image depicts intermediate to large size block cracking with isolated alligator cracking due to age. There are no visible signs of settlement in this quadrant. The condition of the pavement in this area of the courts is fair.



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Image No. 6: Image taken at location of boring B-6, looking northeast. Image depicts intermediate to large size block cracking with isolated alligator cracking due to age. There are no visible signs of settlement in this area. The condition of the pavement in this area of the courts is fair.



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Image No. 7: Image taken at location of boring B-7, looking southwest. Image depicts intermediate to large size block cracking with isolated alligator cracking due to age. There are no visible signs of settlement in this area. The condition of the pavement in this area of the courts is fair.



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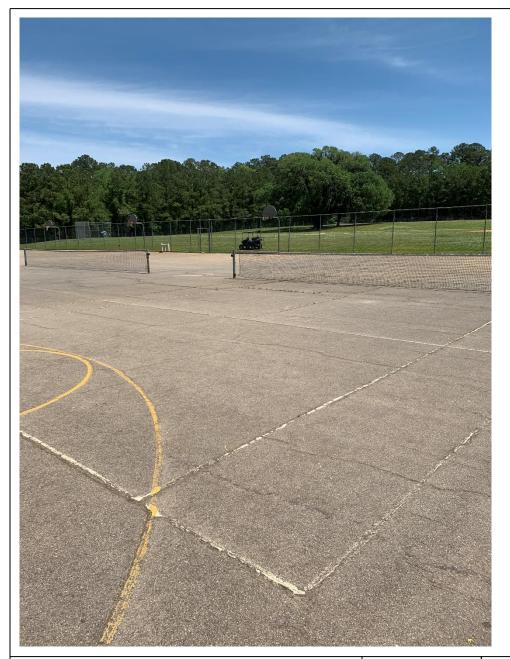


Image No. 8: Image taken at location of boring B-8, looking northeast. Image depicts intermediate to large size block cracking due to age. There are no visible signs of settlement in this quadrant. The condition of the pavement in this area of the courts is fair.



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# APPENDIX E Qualifications of Recommendations

# QUALIFICATIONS OF RECOMMENDATIONS

The findings, conclusions and recommendations presented in this report represent our professional opinions concerning subsurface conditions at the site. The opinions presented are relative to the dates of our site work and should not be relied on to represent conditions at later dates or at locations not explored. The opinions included herein are based on information provided to us, the data obtained at specific locations during the study, and our previous experience. If additional information becomes available which might impact our geotechnical opinions, it will be necessary for NOVA to review the information, re-assess the potential concerns, and re-evaluate our conclusions and recommendations.

Regardless of the thoroughness of a geotechnical exploration, there is the possibility that conditions between borings may differ from those encountered at specific boring locations, that conditions are not as anticipated by the designers and/or the contractors, or that either natural events or the construction process has altered the subsurface conditions. These variations are an inherent risk associated with subsurface conditions in this region and the approximate methods used to obtain the data. These variations may not be apparent until construction.

The professional opinions presented in this report are not final. Field observations and foundation installation monitoring by the geotechnical engineer, as well as soil density testing and other quality assurance functions associated with site earthwork and foundation construction, are an extension of this report. Therefore, NOVA should be retained by the owner to observe all earthwork and foundation construction to confirm that the conditions anticipated in this study actually exist, and to finalize or amend our conclusions and recommendations. NOVA is not responsible or liable for the conclusions and recommendations presented in this report if NOVA does not perform these observations and testing services.

This report is intended for the sole use of **Leon County Schools** only. The scope of work performed during this study was developed for purposes specifically intended by of **Leon County Schools** only and may not satisfy other users' requirements. Use of this report or the findings, conclusions or recommendations by others will be at the sole risk of the user. NOVA is not responsible or liable for the interpretation by others of the data in this report, nor their conclusions, recommendations or opinions.

Our professional services have been performed, our findings obtained, our conclusions derived and our recommendations prepared in accordance with generally accepted geotechnical engineering principles and practices in the State of Florida. This warranty is in lieu of all other statements or warranties, either expressed or implied.

# **Important Information about This**

# Geotechnical-Engineering Report

Subsurface problems are a principal cause of construction delays, cost overruns, claims, and disputes.

While you cannot eliminate all such risks, you can manage them. The following information is provided to help.

# Geotechnical Services Are Performed for Specific Purposes, Persons, and Projects

Geotechnical engineers structure their services to meet the specific needs of their clients. A geotechnical-engineering study conducted for a civil engineer may not fulfill the needs of a constructor — a construction contractor — or even another civil engineer. Because each geotechnical-engineering study is unique, each geotechnical-engineering report is unique, prepared *solely* for the client. No one except you should rely on this geotechnical-engineering report without first conferring with the geotechnical engineer who prepared it. *And no one* — *not even you* — should apply this report for any purpose or project except the one originally contemplated.

#### **Read the Full Report**

Serious problems have occurred because those relying on a geotechnical-engineering report did not read it all. Do not rely on an executive summary. Do not read selected elements only.

# Geotechnical Engineers Base Each Report on a Unique Set of Project-Specific Factors

Geotechnical engineers consider many unique, project-specific factors when establishing the scope of a study. Typical factors include: the client's goals, objectives, and risk-management preferences; the general nature of the structure involved, its size, and configuration; the location of the structure on the site; and other planned or existing site improvements, such as access roads, parking lots, and underground utilities. Unless the geotechnical engineer who conducted the study specifically indicates otherwise, do not rely on a geotechnical-engineering report that was:

- not prepared for you;
- not prepared for your project;
- not prepared for the specific site explored; or
- completed before important project changes were made.

Typical changes that can erode the reliability of an existing geotechnical-engineering report include those that affect:

- the function of the proposed structure, as when it's changed from a parking garage to an office building, or from a lightindustrial plant to a refrigerated warehouse;
- the elevation, configuration, location, orientation, or weight of the proposed structure;
- the composition of the design team; or
- project ownership.

As a general rule, *always* inform your geotechnical engineer of project changes—even minor ones—and request an

assessment of their impact. Geotechnical engineers cannot accept responsibility or liability for problems that occur because their reports do not consider developments of which they were not informed.

#### **Subsurface Conditions Can Change**

A geotechnical-engineering report is based on conditions that existed at the time the geotechnical engineer performed the study. Do not rely on a geotechnical-engineering report whose adequacy may have been affected by: the passage of time; man-made events, such as construction on or adjacent to the site; or natural events, such as floods, droughts, earthquakes, or groundwater fluctuations. Contact the geotechnical engineer before applying this report to determine if it is still reliable. A minor amount of additional testing or analysis could prevent major problems.

# Most Geotechnical Findings Are Professional Opinions

Site exploration identifies subsurface conditions only at those points where subsurface tests are conducted or samples are taken. Geotechnical engineers review field and laboratory data and then apply their professional judgment to render an opinion about subsurface conditions throughout the site. Actual subsurface conditions may differ — sometimes significantly — from those indicated in your report. Retaining the geotechnical engineer who developed your report to provide geotechnical-construction observation is the most effective method of managing the risks associated with unanticipated conditions.

#### A Report's Recommendations Are Not Final

Do not overrely on the confirmation-dependent recommendations included in your report. Confirmation-dependent recommendations are not final, because geotechnical engineers develop them principally from judgment and opinion. Geotechnical engineers can finalize their recommendations only by observing actual subsurface conditions revealed during construction. The geotechnical engineer who developed your report cannot assume responsibility or liability for the report's confirmation-dependent recommendations if that engineer does not perform the geotechnical-construction observation required to confirm the recommendations' applicability.

# A Geotechnical-Engineering Report Is Subject to Misinterpretation

Other design-team members' misinterpretation of geotechnical-engineering reports has resulted in costly

problems. Confront that risk by having your geotechnical engineer confer with appropriate members of the design team after submitting the report. Also retain your geotechnical engineer to review pertinent elements of the design team's plans and specifications. Constructors can also misinterpret a geotechnical-engineering report. Confront that risk by having your geotechnical engineer participate in prebid and preconstruction conferences, and by providing geotechnical construction observation.

#### Do Not Redraw the Engineer's Logs

Geotechnical engineers prepare final boring and testing logs based upon their interpretation of field logs and laboratory data. To prevent errors or omissions, the logs included in a geotechnical-engineering report should *never* be redrawn for inclusion in architectural or other design drawings. Only photographic or electronic reproduction is acceptable, *but recognize that separating logs from the report can elevate risk*.

# Give Constructors a Complete Report and Guidance

Some owners and design professionals mistakenly believe they can make constructors liable for unanticipated subsurface conditions by limiting what they provide for bid preparation. To help prevent costly problems, give constructors the complete geotechnical-engineering report, but preface it with a clearly written letter of transmittal. In that letter, advise constructors that the report was not prepared for purposes of bid development and that the report's accuracy is limited; encourage them to confer with the geotechnical engineer who prepared the report (a modest fee may be required) and/ or to conduct additional study to obtain the specific types of information they need or prefer. A prebid conference can also be valuable. *Be sure constructors have sufficient time* to perform additional study. Only then might you be in a position to give constructors the best information available to you, while requiring them to at least share some of the financial responsibilities stemming from unanticipated conditions.

### **Read Responsibility Provisions Closely**

Some clients, design professionals, and constructors fail to recognize that geotechnical engineering is far less exact than other engineering disciplines. This lack of understanding has created unrealistic expectations that have led to disappointments, claims, and disputes. To help reduce the risk of such outcomes, geotechnical engineers commonly include a variety of explanatory provisions in their reports. Sometimes labeled "limitations," many of these provisions indicate where geotechnical engineers' responsibilities begin and end, to help

others recognize their own responsibilities and risks. *Read these provisions closely*. Ask questions. Your geotechnical engineer should respond fully and frankly.

#### **Environmental Concerns Are Not Covered**

The equipment, techniques, and personnel used to perform an *environmental* study differ significantly from those used to perform a *geotechnical* study. For that reason, a geotechnical-engineering report does not usually relate any environmental findings, conclusions, or recommendations; e.g., about the likelihood of encountering underground storage tanks or regulated contaminants. *Unanticipated environmental problems have led to numerous project failures*. If you have not yet obtained your own environmental information, ask your geotechnical consultant for risk-management guidance. *Do not rely on an environmental report prepared for someone else*.

# Obtain Professional Assistance To Deal with Mold

Diverse strategies can be applied during building design, construction, operation, and maintenance to prevent significant amounts of mold from growing on indoor surfaces. To be effective, all such strategies should be devised for the express purpose of mold prevention, integrated into a comprehensive plan, and executed with diligent oversight by a professional mold-prevention consultant. Because just a small amount of water or moisture can lead to the development of severe mold infestations, many mold- prevention strategies focus on keeping building surfaces dry. While groundwater, water infiltration, and similar issues may have been addressed as part of the geotechnical- engineering study whose findings are conveyed in this report, the geotechnical engineer in charge of this project is not a mold prevention consultant; none of the services performed in connection with the geotechnical engineer's study were designed or conducted for the purpose of mold prevention. Proper implementation of the recommendations conveyed in this report will not of itself be sufficient to prevent mold from growing in or on the structure involved.

# Rely, on Your GBC-Member Geotechnical Engineer for Additional Assistance

Membership in the Geotechnical Business Council of the Geoprofessional Business Association exposes geotechnical engineers to a wide array of risk-confrontation techniques that can be of genuine benefit for everyone involved with a construction project. Confer with you GBC-Member geotechnical engineer for more information.



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