



ARPA Project Design & Bid Recommendation



Request For Qualifications (RFQ)

The following RFQ was advertised:

LEGAL NOTICE

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ): Franklin County Schools has issued an RFQ for Professional Design Services to complete mechanical system renovations at multiple schools. Interested firms shall submit a Statement of Qualifications on or before the following date and time: 04-14-2025 at 5:00 pm. For a complete RFQ with instructions, interested firms may visit our webpage at: <https://www.fcschools.net> under the community section.

Issue date 03-17-2025.



Scope of Project Design

- **Bunn Elementary School**
 - Replace HVAC systems in Building A
 - Remove aging boilers, chiller, & underground fuel tank
 - Install heat pumps, air handlers, & packaged through wall units
- **Edward Best Elementary School**
 - Replace existing rooftop HVAC equipment w/ packaged wall units & mini-split heat pumps
- **Royal Elementary School**
 - Replace existing boilers and the two existing chiller systems.
- **Optional Funding Dependent Projects**
 - Boiler replacements at BMS, BHS Gym, & CCMS



Timeline

- All Statements of Qualifications (SOQs), hard and digital copies, were due to my office by April 14, 2025 no later than 5:00 pm.
- The committee met on April 16th to discuss submissions, rubrics, and expectations.
- April 22, 2025 the committee reconvened for final SOQ discussions on rubric scoring.
- Finalists were contacted for interviews on April 25, 2025.
- Interviews were held on May 2, 2025.



8 Qualifying Firms

- Atlantec Engineers, P.A (IMEG)-Raleigh, NC
- Cheatham & Associates, P.A-Wilmington, NC
- CPL Architecture, Engineering, & Planning-Raleigh, NC
- Kilian Engineering Inc.-Henderson, NC
- Optima Engineering-Raleigh, NC
- Progressive Design Collaborative, Ltd. (PDC)-Raleigh, NC
- Salas O'Brien-Roanoke, VA- Raleigh & Charlotte offices
- The Wooten Company- Raleigh, NC





Finalists Selected for Interviews

The SOQ Committee selected 4 finalists to participate in interviews.

- Atlantec Engineers, P.A (IMEG)-Raleigh, NC
- Cheatham & Associates, P.A-Wilmington, NC
- Kilian Engineering Inc.-Henderson, NC
- Progressive Design Collaborative, Ltd. (PDC)-Raleigh, NC





Finalist Selected-Progressive Design Collaborative (PDC)

- Interview scoring rubrics were completed.
- 5 Panelists individually ranked the firms from 1 to 4 after completing rubrics.
- Progressive Design Collaborative (PDC) was selected with an overwhelming consensus from the committee.





PDC's Firm Profile

- Located in Raleigh
- Project Lead is Steve Campbell
- Established in 1975 & Employee-Owned
- 12 Technical Employees w/ 5 Professional Engineers & 1 LEED-AP
(Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design-Accredited Professional)
- Completed 17 LEED projects
- Engineer of Record on over 75 ESSER projects for over \$63 Million



PDC's Experience with FCS

- **LMHS Athletic Field** (P/M/E for concessions, restrooms, and football field)
- **FHS Ball Field Restroom Building** (P/M/E for restroom building)
- **FMS Addition** (P/M/E for elevator & ADA toilet upgrades)
- **TLMS Addition & ADA Renovations** (P/M/E for classroom addition in 2004 & [2017 boilers, chillers, pumps, & 58 blower coils w/ a new DDC system](#))
- **YES Addition** (P/M/E for restroom renovation)
- **LAMES Addition** (P/M/E for art and music addition)
- **BES Addition** (P/M/E for art & music room)
- **FHS Addition** (P/M/E for new vocational classroom, dining/cafeteria addition, replaced existing elevator, new freezer/cooler, relocated existing cafeteria serving lines, & renovated existing SC/EC classroom)
- **LMHS Addition** (P/M/E for new stand alone AG building, new cafeteria, media center, & office/ major renovations in science lab wings, foreign language labs, & computer labs/ new lighting, seating & sound system in auditorium/ major school lighting & HVAC upgrades)
- **RES Renovation** (P/M/E for new elementary school)
- **EBES Addition** (P/M/E for 10 classroom additions)
- **FES Addition** (P/M/E in 1978 for addition & 6 classroom additions in 2000)



Relevant HVAC Experience

■ Johnston County Schools

- ▷ Clayton High School Chillers
- ▷ Cooper Academy Boilers

■ Roanoke Rapids Graded School District

- ▷ Belmont Elementary Boiler & Chillers
- ▷ Roanoke Rapids High School Boiler & Chillers

■ Person County Schools

- ▷ Northern Elementary School Chiller
- ▷ Woodland Elementary School Chiller
- ▷ Oak Lane Elementary School Chiller
- ▷ South Elementary School Chiller

■ Smithfield Courthouse

- ▷ Boiler Replacement

■ Wake County Public Schools

- ▷ Neuse River Middle School Chiller
- ▷ Alston Ridge Middle School Chiller

■ Wilson County Schools

- ▷ Beddingfield High School Chillers & Boiler
- ▷ B.O. Barnes Elementary Chillers & Boiler
- ▷ Hunt High School Chillers & Boiler

■ Edgecombe County Schools

- ▷ G.W. Bulluck Elementary Chiller & Boiler
- ▷ Stocks Elementary School Chiller & Boiler
- ▷ Coker-Wimberly Elementary School Boiler
- ▷ Tarboro High School Chiller & Boiler





Questions





Seeking Board Approval

We are requesting approval to proceed with Progressive Design Collaborative (PDC) for professional design and bid services to the complete the remaining mechanical system renovations for our ARPA projects..

Recommended Motion:

Move to approve the selection of Progressive Design Collaborative (PDC) for professional design and bid services of our remaining ARPA projects.

