

August 11, 2023

BID INVITATION

Parkland College invites you to submit a written bid for **16 Multi-Process Welders and Bottle Carts**. Specifications and bidding requirements are enclosed.

Please address written bids to Purchasing, Room A108, Parkland College, 2400 West Bradley Avenue, Champaign, IL 61821-1899. Bid envelopes should be marked "**BID # 2024-001 Multi-Process Welders and Bottle Carts**" to ensure delivery. Bids must be received no later than **2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 22, 2023**, at which time they will be publicly opened and read in **Room A108**. Any bid not received by said time and date will not be considered. Bids sent by facsimile machine or email will not be accepted.

All bidders are welcome to attend the public bid opening. If you choose not to attend, you may contact Lauren Craig, Purchasing Agent, at (217) 351-2232 or email, purchasing@parkland.edu to obtain the results of the bid. No information regarding the recommendation to the Board of Trustees will be released until after the Board of Trustees meet on September 20, 2023.

The Board of Trustees of Parkland College reserves the right to reject all or any part of a bid submitted, to waive any technicalities or informalities in the bidding, and to accept bids or combination of a bid deemed most favorable to and in the best interest of the college after all bids have been examined and evaluated. All bidders must fully comply with all local, state, and federal laws regarding bidding on public projects and the performance of services or supplying of goods under a bid.

Questions regarding the bid specifications may be addressed to Lauren Craig, at (217) 351-2232 or by email at purchasing@parkland.edu.

Sincerely,



Chris Randles

V.P. of Administrative Services and Chief Financial Officer

Enc: Bid form
Return envelope

Prices and Payments:

1. All bid prices shall be complete and include warranty on parts & service, and delivery to Parkland College, 2400 West Bradley Avenue, Champaign, Illinois 61821. Delivery date must be coordinated with Parkland College staff.
2. Contract will be an official Parkland College purchase order to be issued after approval of the bid by the Board of Trustees.
3. Payment shall be made in accordance with these specifications and the bid proposal submitted by the bidder. Bid will be valid for a period of sixty days from date of bid opening.
4. Any exceptions or deviations from the bid specifications must be addressed in writing and submitted with the bid.
5. Parkland College is tax exempt. A copy of the exemption certificate will be furnished on request.

Any bid not received by said time and at said place will not be considered. Bids sent by facsimile machine or email will not be accepted. The bids will be publicly opened and announced at 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 22, 2023, Room A108 on the Parkland College campus. No decision will be made at that time.

Scope

This specification is written for specific instructional needs of the college and has been done to provide multi-process welding functionality at the scale of entire course sections. It is the intent of Parkland College to purchase sixteen multi-process welders and bottle carts to update and expand capacity for our welding program, including for additional capacity for welding students who participate in open labs through a new competency-based format.

Purpose

The purpose of these specifications is to provide multi-process welding training to students enrolled in welding programs.

General

These are the specifications for 16 multi-process welders and bottle carts. Bidders must answer all questions. Any unanswered questions will be considered noncompliant and nonresponsive and subject to rejection.

Business Enterprise for Minorities, Females, and Persons with Disabilities

Consistent with the Business Enterprise for Minorities, Females, and Persons with Disabilities Act, 30 ILCS 575/0.01, *et seq.* (the "Act"), it is the policy of Parkland College to foster and encourage the continued economic development of minority owned businesses, female owned businesses, and businesses owned by a person with a disability.

When Parkland College is required to competitively bid a contract, the bid documents shall additionally require all potential bidders to submit their name, the bid amount, a statement confirming whether the bidder is including in its bid work to be performed by certified as a minority owned businesses, female owned businesses, and businesses owned by a person with a disability.

Are you certified as a minority owned business or female owned or person with a disability owned business?

Yes ____ No ____

SPECIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

Please prepare your line-itemized bid to clearly reflect specifications outlined below.

Multi-Process Welders and Bottle Carts:

1. Condition is new

Does your bid comply? Yes ___ No ___

2. Educational multi-process welders used for SMAW, GTAW, GMAW-P, and FCAW

Does your bid comply? Yes No

3. 1 phase, 3 phase, and 50/60 Hz input

Does your bid comply? Yes ___ No ___

4. 300 amp

Does your bid comply? Yes___ No___

5. Allows for 200V-600V input power

Does your bid comply? Yes___ No___

6. Cable management hooks

Does your bid comply? Yes___ No___

7. Integrated cart with tilting bottle rack

Does your bid comply? Yes No

8. TIG solenoid

Does your bid comply? Yes No

9. One-button process changes

Does your bid comply? Yes___ No___

10. All controls in one location on the feeder

Does your bid comply? Yes___ No___

11. Stick modes optimized for cellulosic and low hydrogen electrodes

Does your bid comply? Yes___ No___

12. MIG modes optimized for 0.035-0.052 in. for steel

Does your bid comply? Yes___ No___

13. MIG modes optimized for 0.035-0.045 in. for stainless

Does your bid comply? Yes___ No___

14. MIG modes optimized for 0.045-0.052 in. for metal cored

Does your bid comply? Yes___ No___

15. MIG modes optimized for 0.035, 3/64, and 1/16 in. for aluminum

Does your bid comply? Yes___ No___

16. Flux-cored modes optimized for 0.045 in., 0.052in, 1/16 in.

Does your bid comply? Yes___ No___

17. Assembly and delivery included

Does your bid comply? Yes___ No___

BID FORM

BID # 2024-001

Multi-Process Welders and Bottle Carts

Sixteen (16) new multi-process welders and bottle carts as per bid specifications:

Total Cost \$ _____
(Price to include warranties, delivery, and assembly)

Vendor Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____

Email: _____

Authorized Representative (please print) _____

Signature of Authorized Representative _____

Any deviations to these specifications shall be addressed in writing and submitted with bid.