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Bookstore Services RFP 22-007 Questions & Answers

1. Please provide historical sales figures broken down by category:

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		2019		2020		2021*
Book Merchandise:						
Digital Textbooks	\$	23,042.00	\$	30,682.00	\$	45,091.00
New Textbooks	\$	911,954.00	\$	609,060.00	\$	462,589.00
Textbook Rentals	\$	164,479.00	\$	121,109.00	\$	83,336.00
Trade Books	\$	9,766.00	\$	7,547.00	\$	1,044.00
Used Textbooks	\$	185,786.00	\$	129,617.00	\$	93,856.00
SubTotal	\$ 1	1,295,027.00	\$	898,015.00	\$	685,916.00
General Merchandise:						
Café & Convenience	\$	116,172.00	\$	27,428.00	\$	11,903.00
Computer Products	\$	9,132.00	\$	2,446.00	\$	602.00
Emblematic Clothing & Gifts	\$	22,518.00	\$	6,925.00	\$	5,132.00
School Supplies	\$	136,649.00	\$	80,609.00	\$	55,693.00
Other	\$	40,904.00	\$	4,297.00	\$	8,819.00
SubTotal	\$	325,375.00	\$	121,705.00	\$	82,149.00
TOTAL	\$ 1,620,402.00		\$ 1,019,720.00		\$768,065.00	

^{*2021} missing December 2021, averaged in December 2020 to account

2. What percentage of sales are Financial Aid?

Financial Aid and EPOS – approx. 60%

3. Does the District utilize a third-party financial aid service?

Only for verification purposes but not for processing.

4. Does the District have any direct agreements in place with publishers or other third-party course material providers?

None

5. What is the highest priority item in the RFP?

Textbook options (rentals, digital, etc) and pricing



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6. If the District opts to contract with an online bookstore provider, what would the plans be for the oncampus retail space? Has the District had conversations with our food service provider or other party about running the campus store?

Possible options: small café, delivery lockers for items ordered online, spirit wear, uniforms, class kits (cosmetology, art, etc.)

7. Is the District open to self-operating a spirit store with an online bookstore vendor providing all student purchased materials shipped directly to the campus bookstore for student pick-up?

Yes

8. Would the District consider two separate vendors to work in partnership to provide textbook operations and retail services if it deemed more beneficial to the institution as opposed to a single vendor?

Yes, if there is a cost savings for the students

- 9. Does the District currently have any locker systems for students to ship and receive packages from? Not at this time, but are open to the possibility
- 10. Is there an accessible dock that can be used for deliveries? Yes, it does.
- 11. Does the District utilize a Campus Card that can be used to purchase materials in the bookstore? If yes, what company does the District use to manage it?
 None

12. What's the District's Student Information System? Ellucian Banner

13. What's the District's Learning Management System?

Canvas

14. Which term would the new bookstore partner begin servicing the campus population? Fall 2022, so would open in July 2022



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15. Can the district provide enrollment number for the past few years? (information added after preproposal meeting)

Enrollment	t								
		Unduplicated							
		headcounts as of							
		Total FTES	Census date except	Annual					
		(Res + Non Res)	Spring 22	Unduplicated					
	Summer	742.11	4,456						
2019-20	Fall	3,180.29	9,541						
2019-20	Spring	2,950.37	9,024						
	Total	6,872.77	23,021	13,804					
	Summer	818.36	4,573						
2020-21	Fall	3,145.09	9,447						
	Spring Total	2,868.69 6,832.14	8,387 22,407	13,062					
	Summer	765.96	4,494						
2021-22	Fall	2,751.79	8,295						
	Spring*	2,713.25	8,138						
	Total	6,231.00	20,927	N/A					

^{*} as of start of semester