

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
Playground Supply and Installation
Babb Elementary – Browning Public School District No. 9

To: Prospective Playground Installers
From: Rebecca Rappold, Superintendent
Browning Public School District No. 9
P.O. Box 610
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Invited and pre-qualified proposers are hereby invited to submit proposals to the Browning Public School District for the supply and installation of Playground Equipment for the Browning Public School District's Babb Elementary School in Babb, Montana.

Date of Issuance: March 18, 2026

Due date for Submittal of Proposals: April 9, 2026, at 2:00 PM.

Please direct all communications concerning the RFP to the Owner's Designated Representative.

Owner's Designated Representative:

LPW Architects
15 Fifth Street South
Great Falls, MT 59401
Contact: Tim Peterson, AIA

Playground Supply and Install Contract: Proposers are to submit a design for the playground equipment, accompanied by a cost proposal for the supply and installation of all such equipment, parts, and accessories required to accomplish the submitted design. Cost proposal shall be all-inclusive, including tear-out and proper disposal of the existing playground and fall surfacing. The new playground shall include a landscape border and installation of Owner-supplied pea gravel for fall protection.

Pre-qualification: Parties submitting proposals for the Supply and Install contract must meet the Proposer Pre-qualification requirements as an approved Contractor under an applicable NPP (National Purchasing Partners) agreement. Installers must be factory-trained with certification from the manufacturer. Playground equipment shall be IPEMA-certified for compliance with ASTM F1487.

Budget: The Owner's budget for Design and Supply of playground equipment, including all Work and requirements enumerated in the Contract Documents is \$85,000. Proposers are instructed to propose design solutions that achieve the most functional, dynamic, and extensive playground possible within the limits of this budget. A playground equipment specification with the project's basic requirements, and photos and dimensions of the existing playground are available upon request.

All laborers and mechanics employed by contractors or subcontractors in performance of the construction work shall be paid wages at the rates required under federal prevailing wage law [Davis-Bacon]. Subject to the Indian preference requirements attendant to the procurement of these construction services as noted below, the Contractor must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

The funding for this project may consist in whole or in part of federal education funds received under 20 U.S.C. §§ 7701 et seq. [Impact Aid] and, in accordance with the requirements of 25 U.S.C. § 450e [Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act], the procurement of construction services for this project will be subject to a PREFERENCE for qualified Indian organizations or Indian-owned economic enterprises.

In addition to any Indian preference requirements, the Contractor shall meet all requirements of Blackfoot TERO and Tribal Revenue and shall include the price of a Montana State Building Permit in its bid. State of Montana Gross Receipts Tax of one percent (1%) will be deducted from the Contractor's payments. The State fee for plan review shall be paid by the Browning Public School District.

Browning Public School District Board of Trustees reserves the right to select a Contractor based on the written proposals. Selection of a qualified Contractor will be based on the firm's ability to achieve the highest value project for the owner.

The Contractor's previous history of client satisfaction and ease of working relationships with owners and design team professionals will also be a serious consideration.

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