

Sanitation bid Questions – March 12, 2021

Question: It appears that, with this current bid, there would be one master contract through MAPC rather than the previous bid where Andover was the lead and other districts "piggybacked" off their lead. Then we needed to draft and sign individual contracts with each district. Has this structure changed with the current bid?

MSBG Response: We are now using MAPC as the awarding authority for all of our bids. A contract will be executed between the winning vendors and MAPC for each bid, however, at their discretion, individual districts may also execute individual contracts with the vendor.

Question: ADP is used in order to price each individual district. I wondered if we could again get this information from all of the districts in the group or should I seek out the ADP from the state (DESE I believe) website?

MSBG Response: Food for Schools instructed member districts to provide ADP and other sanitation information in advance of the bid release, however not all districts complied with this request. ADP is available from the DESE website, or by attempting to contact the district director personally.

Question: As a follow up to the second question, with this current school year seeing such reduced (50% nationally), participation, we would hope to get October 2019 ADP numbers since these would represent a "typical" percentage, especially assuming participation will return to something resembling normal in the next two years.

MSBG Response: All enrollment and projection numbers are assuming a return to normal operations in September 2021.