

**MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES CONTRACTS,
PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS, TEXTBOOK ORDERS**

In order to provide for an accurate accounting of all funds expended and to facilitate prompt payment of bills, the following uniform requisitioning-purchasing procedures shall be used by all schools and departments. The procedures shall apply to all purchases that will be paid for by School Board funds.

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Purchasing Card

The purchasing card may be used for specific purchases outlined in the Purchasing Card Procedures Manual.

Check Requests

Check requests should be used for the procurement of emergency supplies, services needed for repairs, and items which cannot be purchased with a purchase order. All other purchases should be made using the requisition process. Check requests shall be submitted to the Accounting Department signed by the principal and/or the appropriate supervisors.

Purchasing Requisitions

Shall be submitted to the Purchasing Department signed by the principal and/or the appropriate supervisors. Requisitions must be in line with allocations made to schools or departments for the specific purposes allocated in the budget.

The requisitioner shall verify prices prior to submittal.

The requestor with review and final approval of Purchasing shall:

1. Compile specifications for quotes and bids.
2. In order to expedite purchase requests, the requestor is encouraged to obtain quotes (sealed, phone or fax) which Purchasing may verify and obtain additional quotes if necessary. Purchasing will then process the requisition.

Purchasing shall:

1. Issue purchase orders and contracts
2. Establish yearly contracts
3. Establish and verify yearly a directory of sole source vendors
4. Categorize and maintain vendor lists and catalogs
5. Review and approve check requests that are to be processed in lieu of purchasing requisitions
6. Manage the purchasing card program

PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS

Contracts shall be entered into when the project exceeds the dollar amount specified in R.S. 38:2241.

All contracts as specified in R.S. 38:2212(A)(1)(d) shall be recorded in the Clerk of Courts office in Lafayette Parish and shall include the following: performance and payment bonds issued in an amount equal to 100% of the project, insurance that meets or exceeds the requirements approved by the School Board Insurance Company and an affidavit of non-collusion.

The Superintendent or his designee shall approve substantial completion of projects.

PURCHASE ORDERS

Shall be issued for materials and supplies and public works projects less than the amount specified in R.S. 38:2241 requiring a contract. Check requests and the purchasing card may be used for specific purchases referenced above.

TEXTBOOKS

In February of each year, each school must anticipate textbook needs for ordering state approved textbooks for the following session. Schools must provide their needs by March 31st to be reviewed by the Area Directors and/or Instructional Supervisors.

Textbooks not listed on the parish adoption form can be ordered; however, approval must be obtained from the Area Director and/or Instructional Supervisors.

Emergency textbook needs shall be submitted to the Area Director and/or Instructional Supervisors. After the opening of the school session, emergency textbook needs must be submitted within the first twenty (20) school calendar days.

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