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Tender

On Demand Educational Transport

Weston College

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Scope

Reference

WCPR-180

Description

Weston College is seeking suppliers to provide flexible, on-demand student transport services to support a wide range of local, regional and national educational trips, enrichment activities, and curriculum-linked excursions.

There is no fixed transport schedule or annual plan; instead, requirements will arise on an ad-hoc basis, often with little advance notice. These transport needs will be driven by the demands of the curriculum and may not be confirmed weeks or even months in advance.

The service must therefore be highly responsive and adaptable, with the capacity to accommodate varying journey lengths, group sizes, and destination types. This includes local and regional travel, and occasionally, longer-distance trips. Reliability, safety, and the ability to respond quickly to booking requests are crucial.

At the same time, the College is committed to securing services that represent good value

for money. Suppliers must be able to provide competitive pricing while maintaining high standards of service, ensuring that trips are delivered smoothly, efficiently, and in line with Weston College's commitment to quality education and student experience.

Total value (estimated)

- £30,000 excluding VAT
- £36,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 29 September 2025 to 28 September 2027
- Possible extension to 28 September 2028
- 3 years

Description of possible extension:

The agreement will remain in place for an initial duration of two years, with the option to extend for a further one-year period, subject to satisfactory performance and mutual agreement by both parties.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 60170000 - Hire of passenger transport vehicles with driver

Contract locations

- UKK - South West (England)

Participation

This procurement is reserved for

- UK suppliers
- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) and voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSEs)

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

12 August 2025, 11:59pm

Tender submission deadline

19 August 2025, 11:59am

Submission address and any special instructions

WCGTender@weston.ac.uk

Tenders may be submitted electronically

No

Award criteria

Name	Type	Weighting
Financial	Price	30%
Compliance and Regulatory Standards	Quality	20%
Safeguarding and Student Welfare	Quality	20%
Responsiveness and Flexibility	Quality	15%
Communication and Issue Resolution	Quality	15%

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - open competition

Documents

Associated tender documents

[1. External Services Open Process Tender Framework - On-Demand Transport.pdf](#)

Contracting authority

Weston College

- UK Register of Learning Providers (UKPRN number): 10007459
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PDXW-8796-BVPP

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government