

Request for Proposals:

The Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate Tribal Education Department is seeking proposals from qualified standards writers and web content developers to create a comprehensive, user-friendly webpage.

Scope of Work:

1. Compares the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Tribal Education Standards with the Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) standards.
2. Provides aligned teacher and curriculum resources that support implementation of the SWO Tribal Education Standards in classroom settings.
3. The final product will serve as a practical tool for educators, administrators, and curriculum developers working within SWO and partner education systems.
4. Project Goals:
 - a. Clearly align SWO Tribal Education Standards with BIE Standards.
 - b. Highlight similarities, differences, and culturally specific elements.
 - c. Support educators with accessible, ready-to-use teaching resources.
 - d. Promote culturally responsive teaching grounded in SWO values, language, and traditions.
 - e. Deliver an intuitive and visually engaging webpage for ease of use.

Evaluation Process will be conducted using the following criteria:

1. Price (30 points)
2. Qualifications and Experience (30 points)
3. Capacity to Perform (30 points)
4. Indian Preference (10 points)

Qualifications:

- Must be able to work with or lead teams
- Experience as a teacher is required
- Experience in content standards development
- Familiarity with SWO standards and neighboring states standards as well as other tribes' standards
- A good understanding of the SWO teacher certification process and tribal, national and state education codes.
- Familiar with the BIE standards
- Be familiar with the barriers that Tribally Controlled Schools face in regards to standards

- Verifiable experience with working with google docs, standards matrices, and other standards documents

All proposals must include:

1. Applicant's contact information (name, address, telephone number, email address)
2. Brief description and history of the applicant's quantifications and experience performing similar work.
3. Estimated cost of all work, materials, fees and reimbursable expenses required to perform scope of work deliverables.
4. Copy of SWO Business License
5. Completed W-9 Form and other IRS documentation
6. Tribal Tax – 5.5%
7. Liability Insurance
8. Workman's Comp (if required)

Any questions regarding TERO and SWO Tribal Tax please contact the SWO TERO office or the SWO Tribal Tax Office at (605) 698-3911.

All acceptable bids received by May 8th, 2026 will be opened in the Procurement Office by the Procurement Officer with the Program representative in attendance.

Submit proposals to: SWO Procurement Office
 Attn: Vern Vallie
 PO Box 509
 Agency Village, SD 57262
 vvalle@swo-nsn.gov

***Any bids not turned in to the Procurement Department may be considered nonresponsive.**
Please submit project name clearly visible – RFP0408.

All interested parties acknowledge that any Agreement executed and performed within the Tribe's exclusive jurisdiction is subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Tribal Court of Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate of the Lake Traverse Reservation. All interested parties acknowledge that they must comply with the SissetonWahpeton Oyate Ordinances: TERO Chapter 59 Requirements, Wage Rates & Compliance Plan; Business License Ordinance Chapter 53 and Tax Ordinance.