

Action Item - 13

Title: Capital Award for HVAC Major Renovation at E. W. Rhodes Middle School (\$22,069,649)

Board of Education Meeting Date: 5/29/2025

Action Under Consideration

The Administration recommends that the Board of Education authorize The School District of Philadelphia, through the Superintendent or their designee, to execute and perform a separate contracts with the lowest responsible bidders, subject to funding, as follows:

With:

Smith Construction, Inc.
Dolan Mechanical, Inc.
GEM Mechanical Services, Inc.
Lex Electrical Company, Inc

Purpose:

Major HVAC renovation and emergency generator replacement

Authorized Start date: 5/30/2025

Authorized End Date: 8/30/2027

Compensation not to exceed: \$22,069,649

Separate Compensation by Contractor:

Smith Construction, Inc. \$4,321,000 - GC
Dolan Mechanical, Inc. \$13,991,000 - MC
GEM Mechanical Services, Inc. \$494,000 - PC
Lex Electrical Company, Inc. \$3,263,649 - EC

Location:

E.W. Rhodes Middle School

Renewal Option(s):

N/A

Description:

Why is this contract needed?

This Major HVAC renovation and emergency generator replacement project will modernize the school's heating, ventilation, and air-conditioning system, providing reliable and efficient temperature control throughout classrooms and other spaces

and improving indoor air quality through adequate ventilation while reducing students' and staff's exposure to airborne pollutants. This system will allow the use of energy-efficient equipment; provide thermal comfort to keep educators, staff, and students at a comfortable temperature and humidity level, and the end result would be a better learning environment and higher test scores for the students.

How is this work connected to the District's plan to achieve Goals and Guardrails?

Guardrail 1: Welcoming and Supportive Schools - Every school will be a safe, welcoming, and healthy place where our students, staff, and community want to be and learn each day.

How will the success of this contract be measured?

The completion of the construction work will measure the success of this project in a timely manner, as indicated in the stated construction schedule in the contract documents.

The Office of Minority and Small Business (OMSBD) will review and verify MWBE compliance in this contract by verifying monthly or quarterly spend reports for verification and potential auditing. Then OMSBD will track the spend through our contract compliance checks. The OMSBD will then report to internal and external stakeholders.

Related resolution(s)/action item(s)

N/A

Funding Source(s)

Capital FY 24-25

Capital FY 25-26

Capital FY 26-27

Office Originating Request:

Operations - Capital Programs