

Playground RFP Questions & Answers

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QUESTION: For Kids Palace Academy, what safety surfacing would the agency like proposed for each project? Most have engineered wood fiber (EWF) mulch. Some have artificial turf, and we've also heard mention of pour in place (PIP). It will be very important to know this as it would also determine how the equipment would be installed.

ANSWER: Pour in place is needed for this facility because there are infants and toddlers.

QUESTION: At Kids Palace Academy, there is no mention on the RFP for a shade structure, and yet the school director mentioned that she had requested it. Please advise.

ANSWER: The director is correct. We need a proposal for equipment, surfacing and shade.

QUESTION: Same safety surfacing question for Naomi Helligar EHS.

ANSWER: For this location, we need a proposal for equipment, surfacing and shade. The surfacing must be pour in place because there are infants and toddlers.

QUESTION: At Palm Plaza EHS, the request is for 1,073 square feet. The actual dimensions for this area are 30 feet by 30 feet, which totals 900 square feet. There is artificial turf now. Will this same type safety surfacing remain?

ANSWER: No, it needs to be changed. For this location, we need a proposal for equipment and surfacing. The surfacing must be pour in place because there are infants and toddlers.

QUESTION: For Palm Plaza HS, the RFP calls for 3,000 square feet. The dimensions are 35 feet by 40 feet, which totals 1,400 square feet. This site does have an additional area of 40 feet by 40 feet adjacent to the playground within the fenced zone which would add up to the 3,000 square feet. However, if no play equipment is required here, do you still want a proposal for the 3,000 square feet?

ANSWER: Yes, for this location the equipment needs to be appropriate for kids between 3 and 5 years old. We are required to have EWF mulch with ADA accessibility. Depending on how you create the areas, sometimes a concrete path is needed to get to the playground, and once there, you must have an ADA accessible ramp. You could extend the concrete areas and change the size of the gate to make them ADA accessible. We are open to the proposals, and we invite you to propose utilizing the area to the best of your knowledge. It is preferred that locations on the school campus have a concrete path to provide ADA accessibility. There must be a ramp that provides access in order to transition a wheel chair from the concrete to the play area. The concrete areas need to meet ADA standards.

QUESTION: For We Love Our Kids, your request is for 900 square feet. The actual dimensions are 32 feet by 30 feet, which total 960 square feet, but we can certainly maintain the 900 square feet. There appears to be EWF mulch over a hard surface, which appears to be asphalt. This is in violation of



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playground safety standards and Consumer Product Safety Commission Recommendations. Loose fill is not permitted over a hard surface. The obvious question here, is again, what type of safety surfacing would you want us to bid? If indeed asphalt is a unitary pour in place -- rubber or artificial turf would be the options approved.

ANSWER: Please go ahead and propose for the dimensions that you have. For this location, we need a proposal for equipment, surfacing and shade. The surfacing must be pour in place because there are infants and toddlers.

QUESTION: For Altamonte, here again your RFP is asking for 4,551 square feet. We measured the area at 46 feet by 93 feet, which totals 4,278 square feet maximum. There is a concrete path or track that meanders around the area. Is this to remain?

ANSWER: It will be based in your proposal. Not sure what is needed for what you have in mind for this location.

QUESTION: And if so, what type of surfacing would you like us to bid? There are many roots and trees all around. Do you want us to bid the entire area?

ANSWER: For this location, the equipment needs to be appropriate for kids between 3 and 5 years old. It is required to be engineered with EWF mulch and ADA accessibility. Depending on how you create the areas, sometimes a concrete path is needed to get to the playground and once there, an ADA accessible ramp is needed. You could extend the concrete areas and change the size of the gate to make them ADA accessible. We are open to proposals, and we invite you to propose utilizing area to the best of your knowledge. It is preferred that locations on the school campus have a concrete path to provide ADA accessibility. There must be a ramp that provides access in order to transition a wheel chair from the concrete to the play area. The concrete areas need to meet ADA standards.

QUESTION: For Midway, the dimensions are correct, adding up to 3,397 square feet. Do you want us to bid this entire area and again what type of surfacing would you like us to bid? The size of these areas will have a large impact on the cost of these projects, in particular if unitary surfacing is the preferred choice.

ANSWER: For this location, the equipment needs to be appropriate for kids between 3 and 5 years old. It is required to be engineered with EWF mulch and ADA accessibility. Depending on how you create the areas, sometimes a concrete path is needed to get to the playground and once there, an ADA accessible ramp is needed. You could extend the concrete areas and change the size of the gate to make them ADA accessible. We are open to proposals, and we invite you to propose utilizing the area to the best of your knowledge. It is preferred that locations on the school campus have a concrete path to provide ADA accessibility. There must be a ramp that provides access in order to transition a wheel chair from the concrete to the play area. The concrete areas need to meet ADA standards.

QUESTION: For Lawton, is the concrete path or track to remain?

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ANSWER: It will be based in your proposal and what you need to complete it.

QUESTION: What type of safety surfacing would you want us to bid?

ANSWER: We are expecting the same for this location. The equipment needs to be appropriate for kids between 3 and 5 years old. We require it to be engineered with EWF mulch and be ADA accessibility. Depending on how you create the areas, sometimes a concrete path is needed to get to the playground, and once there, you must have an ADA accessible ramp. We are open to the proposals and invite you to propose utilizing the area to the best of your knowledge. It is preferred that locations on the school campus have a concrete path to provide ADA accessibility. The concrete areas need to meet ADA standards. Some people have recommended level the area in order to have more space for additional equipment. But it should be based on what you proposing.

QUESTION: For Teddy Bear, it appears we're limited to 880 square feet. Surface options?

ANSWER: For this location, we need a proposal for equipment and surfacing. The surfacing must be pour in place because there are infants and toddlers.

QUESTION: For Light Years Ahead EHS, again, what type safety surfacing? Again, if any unitary surfacing is chosen, the size of the areas to be utilized will have a large impact on the cost of these projects.

ANSWER: We are aware it is a big area, but we want a proposal for equipment, surfacing and shade. The surfacing must be pour in place because there are infants and toddlers.

QUESTION: Can you tell me if any equipment or manufacturer has been specified for these sites?

ANSWER: No, we don't have anything in mind, but everything that will be used in the playgrounds needs to be age appropriate, ADA accessible (gates, equipment, surfacing, etc.) and following ASTM. Please see the chart below. Yellow sites are 3-5 years old. And Green sites are 0-3 years old. For 3- 5 years old we can have engineered with EWF mulch with ADA ramps and sidewalks, if necessary. For 0- 3 years old, it must be pour-in-place surfacing.

QUESTION: Also, are there any existing site plans available in .dwg files or with detailed measurements?

ANSWER: Measurements are below, and there are no plans available. (Attachment #1)

QUESTION: Are site visits allowed?

ANSWER: Yes, keep in mind children from 0-3 years old are still in sections and you can't interfere with their playground time. That is usually is between 9 and 11:30 a.m., depending the site. For those



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within a school campus, you need to sign in at the front office and ask to visit Head Start. These sites are closing this week. If you visit, ask at the front office which playground we use.

QUESTION: If so, how will that work, as it says in the bid to only contact you?

ANSWER: Please contact Wanda Diaz 407-963-1044.

QUESTION: It would be very helpful to have some guidance as to the type of equipment that is desired at these sites, but I am not seeing any specifications that pertain to equipment. Am I missing part of the package?

ANSWER: You are not missing anything. We will consider your proposals and ideas. In some of these, the fence is in bad condition and it can be part of the proposal if you think it is needed. In others, we are not asking for shade because there are trees or we will keep using the current shade. If the site needs fence, it needs to be a black chain fence, 6 feet tall and ADA gates. Two gates are required in playgrounds by DCF.

Yellow sites are 3-5 years old. Green sites are 0-3 years old. For 3- 5 years old, we can have engineered fiber wood mulch with ADA ramps and ADA sidewalks if necessary. For 0-3 years old, it must be pour in place surfacing. All equipment, fence and gates must be ADA accessible.

Sites Seminole County (5)

Altamonte HS
525 E. Pineview St.
Altamonte Springs, FL 32701
4,551 sq. ft. area
Playground equipment, surfacing,

Lawton HS
188 S. Lake Jessup Ave.
Oviedo, FL 32765
2,035 sq. ft. area
Playground equipment, ADA gate accessibility, surfacing

Light Years Ahead EHS
398 Douglas Ave.
Altamonte Springs, FL 32714
1,824 sq. ft. area
Playground, shade structure, surfacing



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Midway HS
2255 Rightway Ave.
Sanford, FL 32771
79'x 43' used zone
Playground equipment, surfacing

Teddy Bear CCP
174 Jay Dr.
Altamonte Springs, FL 32714
915 sq. ft. Area
Playground equipment, surfacing

Sites Osceola County (4)

Palm Plaza Early Head Start
2234 East Irlo Bronson Highway
Kissimmee, FL 34744
1,073 sq. ft. Area
Playground equipment, surfacing, keeping current shade open to change the fence

Palm Plaza Head Start
2234 East Irlo Bronson Highway
Kissimmee, FL 34744
3,000 sq. ft. area
Playground equipment, surfacing, keeping shade, maybe fence

Naomi Helligar EHS
2361 North Smith Street Kissimmee, FL 34744
782 sq. ft. area
Playground equipment, shade structure and surfacing, maybe fence

Kids Palace Academy CCP
1336 E. Vine Street
Kissimmee, FL 34744
900 sq. ft. area
Playground equipment, surfacing, shade

Site Orange County (1)

We Love Kids Learning Center (CCP)
5301 Goddard Avenue
Orlando, FL 32810
900 sq. ft. area
Playground equipment, shade structure and surfacing