

### 6450 CHOICE OF VENDOR

The Board of Education recognizes its position as a major purchaser in this community, and while it is the intention of the Board to purchase materials and supplies of quality at the lowest possible cost through widespread competition, if all other considerations are equal the Board prefers to purchase within the district from established local merchants.

The Board authorizes the agent responsible for district purchasing to award purchases placed in accordance with this policy and all policies of the Board otherwise applicable, to local merchants based upon the following considerations.

Primary consideration may be given to local merchants when:

1. Their quotation is competitive;
2. Freight charges are a factor;
3. Maintenance service may be required;
4. Promptness of delivery is a consideration;

Provided that all statutes pertaining to public purchasing are duly observed.

N.J.S.A. 18A:6-8; 18A:12-2; 18A:18A-15(b)

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